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National Farm Show returns to Louisville for 60th year

LOUISVILLE -- "Every year is an important year for the National Farm Machinery Show as we bring the best in the field together," said David S. Beck, President and CEO of Kentucky Venues. "Reaching a milestone like the 60th anniversary is a powerful reminder of the show's legacy and a chance to honor the generations of farmers, innovators, and partners who helped build the show, while continuing to look ahead at what's next for the future of agriculture."

Over the four days, an international crowd will browse sold-out exhibit halls showcasing brands such as AGCO, Case IH, John Deere, Massey Ferguson, and New Holland. In addition to expansive equipment displays, attendees can take advantage of free daily educational seminars led by industry experts offering in-

sight into the best farming and production practices. Visitors can also shop from nearly 50 retail vendors at the Gift & Craft Market selling clothes, keepsakes, souvenirs, and more.

In tandem with the farm show, the 57th Championship Tractor Pull sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America returns to Freedom Hall for five dirt-slinging sessions. Now featuring new seats in the lower sections, the event runs nightly at 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, with an additional noon session on Saturday. Around 200 drivers from across the United States and Canada will compete during the high-octane, heart-pounding sessions. Tickets can be purchased online via Ticketmaster and at the on-site Ticket Office. Livestream and archival footage are available at stream.champpull.org.

The National Farm Machinery Show is free and open to the public.

About the National Farm Machinery Show: The National Farm Machinery Show (NFMS) is the world's largest indoor farm trade show, held annually at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky. Since its founding in 1963, NFMS has brought together farmers, manufacturers, and agricultural professionals from around the globe to explore the latest farming technology, equipment, and innovations. The four-day event features a sold-out show floor, free educational seminars, retail shopping, and the Championship Tractor Pull, making it a cornerstone event for the agriculture industry. The show brings in nearly \$28 million in estimated economic impact to the Louisville region.

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Rotary Club of Dubois County announces leadership luncheon

JASPER, Ind. — The Rotary Club of Dubois County will host a Leadership Luncheon on Wednesday, March 19, 2026, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Vincennes University Jasper Campus in the CTIM Building. The event will feature a timely and engaging discussion on the state of healthcare, led by top executives from Deaconess Health System.

The luncheon will welcome Deaconess Health System Chief Executive Officer Shawn McCoy and Keith Miller, Chief Administrative Officer of Deaconess Memorial

Medical Center. Together, they will share insights on healthcare trends at the local, regional, and state levels, along with the challenges and opportunities shaping the future of healthcare.

Shawn McCoy brings more than 30 years of experience with Deaconess Health System, beginning his career as an industrial engineering intern and advancing through numerous leadership roles, including Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Appointed CEO in 2017, McCoy has helped guide

Deaconess into a leading healthcare system and currently serves as the 2026 Board Chair of the Indiana Hospital Association, where he champions access to high-quality care across Indiana.

Keith Miller's career reflects a deep commitment to patient care and operational excellence. As CAO of Deaconess Memorial Medical Center, he oversees administrative operations while bringing experience from previous roles as CEO of Lawrence County Memorial Hospital and executive positions at Daviess Community

Hospital and Ascension St. Vincent. A former flight paramedic, Miller also holds an MBA and a bachelor's degree in Health Services from the University of Southern Indiana.

The cost to attend the luncheon is \$20 per person, which includes lunch. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Rotary Club of Dubois County's Community Grants Project, which supports local nonprofits and initiatives aimed at improving quality of life throughout the county.

The Rotary Club of Dubois County is a local

service organization made up of community and business leaders committed to service above self. Through fundraising events and volunteer efforts, the club invests in programs that address education, health, and community needs across Dubois County.

Seating is limited, and advance registration is required. For more information or to reserve a seat, interested attendees should visit duboiscountycountyclub.org or follow the club on Facebook by searching Rotary Club of Dubois County.

CDH sees nurse applications rise following \$1.6M+ wage investment

WASHINGTON, Ind. — Daviess Community Hospital (DCH) is reporting a strong increase in applications and interest across positions—especially nursing—since announcing a more than \$1.6 million annual wage investment late last year. The initiative included raising the inpatient registered nurse pay range to \$33–\$45 per hour.

In addition to the nursing scale change, DCH implemented market-aligned hourly wage adjustments across hospital and clinic departments. These adjustments modernize base pay for eligible hourly roles in bedside care, diagnostic and therapeutic services, patient access, and essential support functions—helping DCH recruit and retain talent while sustaining timely, high-quality care for patients. Leaders met one-on-one with employees to review updated rates and next steps, and DCH will transition to performance-based evaluations with

compensation incentives in 2026.

"Our wage investment is doing what it was intended to do—strengthen the talent pipeline so we can keep care close to home," said DCH Chief Executive Officer Justin D. Harris, MSHA, MBA, FACHE. "We're recruiting and retaining exceptional caregivers, expanding services, and delivering dependable access for families across southwestern Indiana."

DCH HR Director Kym Mavronicles, MSML, SHRM-CP, QCP, SOLC, PMEC, RAC-CT, PTA, Lean Six Sigma-Green Belt, said interest reflects both experienced nurses and emerging talent.

"We're encouraged by stronger application volume and by a noticeable rise in student nurses who want to stay at DCH after their internships," Mavronicles said. "Historically, applications increase after the holidays, so we expect continued momentum as the year begins."

In addition to the wage investment, DCH's Student Nurse Intern Program, Graduate Nurse Extern Program, CNA certification assistance, tuition reimbursement, and Foundation scholarships are helping future nurses see a long-term path at DCH.

These efforts are designed not only to bring talent in the door, but also to support them throughout their careers—from

student nurse internships to tuition reimbursement, certification assistance, and in-house development programs," Mavronicles said.

DCH's pipeline programs include:

- Student Nurse Intern Program: paid, hands-on learning with monthly preceptor shifts.

- Graduate Nurse Extern Program: 100% preceptor shifts, NCLEX support, and milestone bonuses with a two-year commitment.

- CNA Certification Assistance: tuition support for eligible employees.

- Tuition Reimbursement: up to \$3,000 per year for undergraduate and \$4,000 per year for graduate study (eligibility varies).

- Scholarships: DCH Foundation awards ranging from \$750 to \$5,000 for healthcare degrees.

- Professional development and recognition: BSN recognition, in-house education, and the DAISY Award.

"This is an investment in people and in local access," Harris said. "When we stabilize and grow our teams, patients benefit with timely appointments, shorter travel, and coordinated care right here at home."

How to apply or learn more

- Contact DCH HR Business Partner Kara Schaffer at (812) 254-2760 or KSchaffer@dchosp.org

- Apply now: www.dchosp.org/apply

Sheila A. Asbell files for Dubois County Recorder

DUBOIS COUNTY, Ind. — Sheila A. Asbell has officially filed her candidacy for Dubois County Recorder, bringing a strong record of public service, extensive county government experience, and a long-standing commitment to the community.

Asbell currently works in the Dubois County Auditor's Office, where she has gained hands-on experience in document management, public records, and the day-to-day responsibilities of county government.

She also previously served three years in the Dubois County Recorder's Office, providing her with direct knowledge of the office she now seeks to lead.

Her professional background includes ten years with Masterbrand Cabinets in the Credit Department, where she developed strong organizational, financial, and administrative skills. In addition to her public- and private-sector experience, Asbell serves as secretary for Asbell Trucking LLC, a locally based small business.

Active in the community, Asbell is a member of St. Raphael's Church and the Celestine Community Club. A lifelong Dubois County resident, she graduated from Northeast



Sheila A. Asbell

Dubois High School in 1989 and currently resides in Haysville with her husband, Joey. She has 2 adult children. Emily who lives in Avon, IN and Kale who lives in Celestine, IN in her childhood home.

"I'm running for Recorder because I believe in serving the people of Dubois County with accuracy, transparency, and respect," Asbell said. "My experience in county government has prepared me to step into this role on day one, and I am committed to ensuring our public records remain secure, accessible, and well-managed."

Asbell looks forward to meeting voters throughout Dubois County and sharing her vision for a Recorder's Office that continues to serve the community with professionalism and integrity.

Happy Valentine's Day!
We Love Our Readers!

VICTORIOUS *Living* ...in a troubled world

Seeing life through two pairs of eyes

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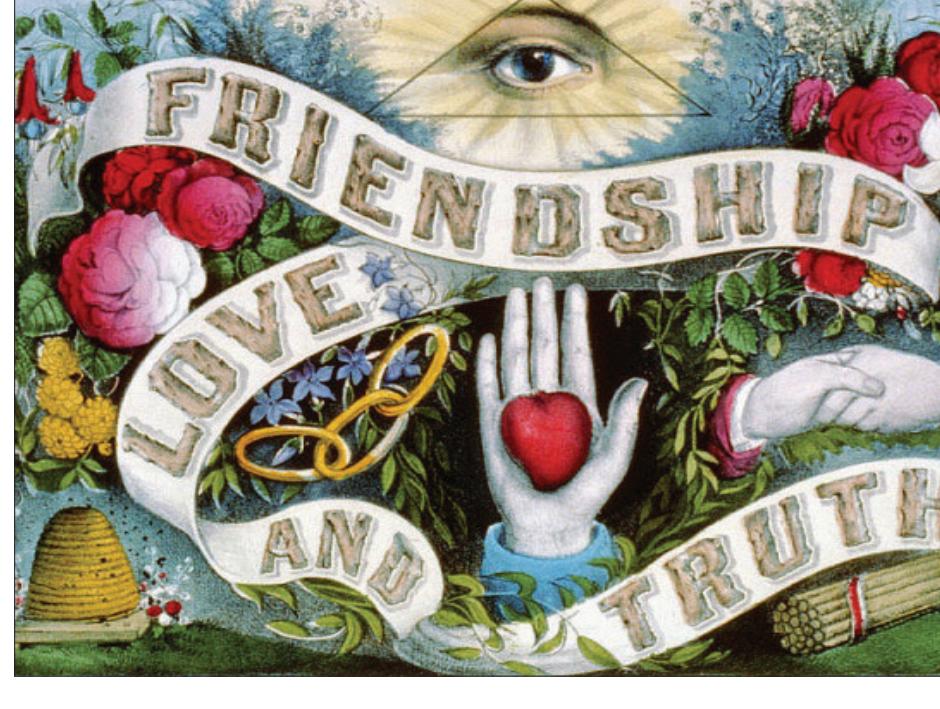
I'm really bad about obsessing over the wrong things. I like schedules and structure. So, when things happen that upset my structure that's not a real comfortable place for me. Although my comfort zone is structure, as all of us know, that's not the norm because in this life something always changes. And, out of necessity, I adapt.

I know a lot of Martha's (not the name, but the thought process), and sometimes I see myself as a Martha. She obsessed over serving her guest while her sister, Mary, sat comfortably at Jesus' feet, worshiping and listening.

In the Mary/Martha story, Jesus came to have dinner at Mary

and Martha's house. It didn't transpire like Martha had planned and she was upset. (Luke 10:38-42). Jesus told Martha that Mary, her sister, had chosen wisely to not obsess over serving the guest. Believe me, I try to learn from Jesus' concept about not obsessing over the wrong thing. I try, but sometimes I still obsess over things that matter too much to me and not to anyone else.

When we stop obsessing over serving, we realize some things are just not worth obsessing over. At the time it seems very important, but in the scheme of things, it isn't. Jesus knew this. Knowing how I am, I can't help but appreciate the fact that He made this a big deal in the Martha/Mary story. As the story goes, Mary had a heart full of love and worship for



Jesus and she didn't let things around her take away from that.

Martha, on the other hand, loved and worshiped Jesus just as much as Mary, but her heart was also focused on what she had to get done. Martha was the sister who was obsessed

with what her guest thought about her. In her heart and mind, I know she thought it was important to focus on pleasing Jesus and making him feel comfortable in her home. I believe she thought she was doing a good thing. The sisters just saw life

through two different pair of eyes. Remember it was Martha who fully trusted Jesus' love after Lazarus died! (John 11:20-28).

In the story, obviously, Mary saw the invisible while Martha focused on all the things that needed to be taken care at the

moment. Both sisters were doing their best to make an impact on Jesus and their other guest. And, both were doing important things. We need Mary's and we need Martha's. But most of all, whenever and wherever we find ourselves, remembering to stress a little less and relax a little more might be the key to all the chaos in the world.

I am reminded of 1 Timothy 6:11, "... Follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness." We can care too much about what people think of us and not enough of what God thinks. God wants balance in our lives so we love, serve and respect both Him and other people. Could finding balance in our focus be the theme of the Mary/Martha story?

Believer's baptism or baptismal regeneration?

By Dr. Billy Holland

Believer's baptism and baptismal regeneration represent two distinct views on the role of water baptism in salvation. Believer's baptism holds that baptism is an outward, symbolic act of obedience performed "after" a person has consciously trusted in Jesus Christ and His blood for salvation. Conversely, baptismal regeneration teaches that baptism is the sacramental law where God creates spiritual rebirth, forgives sins, and initiates spiritual regeneration. While I tend to avoid writing about church doctrines due to disagreements, my ministry requires me to share my personal interpretations. I'm often asked about what washes away our sins, the water or the blood? There is power in His blood – not the water.

I share the gospel often, including in our local Detention Center on a regular basis. A place to teach and baptize is provided, and our team also serves communion to the new converts. This gives us an open opportunity to explain what it means to confess receiving Jesus as Lord and Savior. Sadly, not all Christians are united with church doctrines such as immersion versus sprinkling, infant baptism, and baptizing in the name of Jesus versus in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, but even more importantly, there are different opinions about what exactly happens when the person goes under the water.

Some churches, including Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Lutheran, Churches of Christ, and some Anglican and Episcopal churches, including the Mormons, and

Jehovah's Witnesses, believe in what is called baptismal regeneration, which means a person is not cleansed from sin or spiritually transformed into a new creation in Christ until after they are baptized. Within these churches, baptism is referred to as a requirement that defines water as the only way to literally receive God's grace, which saves. Groups such as Baptist, Church of God, Assembly of God, Reformed Presbyterian, Non-Denominational, Evangelical, Anabaptists, Mennonites, Quakers, Puritans, and The Salvation Army, use the term "ordinance" meaning that baptism although an important act of obedience, is only a public testimony symbolizing God's power that has already forgiven and transformed the spirit's of those who

called upon the name of the Lord to save them, according to John 3:16. As we are immersed under the water, this displays the spiritual reality of how we died to ourselves, were buried with Christ, and in coming up out of the water, we are raised from the dead by the glorious power of God to walk holy and obey Him in everything as His child. An outward sign of an inward work. Since we have been united with him in his death, we are also raised to life as He was. Yes, we are forgiven and washed clean by the blood of Jesus, as the power of sin is broken, and our carnality was crucified with Christ. As no longer slaves to sin, the new Christian is declared righteous through Jesus, but still has the free will responsibility to demonstrate His holy nature and character. We should consider ourselves

to be dead to the control of sin and to have faith in God for everything. Take a moment to read Romans chapter 6. In fact, as we develop a solemn, reverential fear and awareness of His presence, sin should literally make us nauseated as we realize how much our disobedience hurts Him. If our intentional sins do not cause brokenness, weeping, and deep sorrow, we have become spiritually numb, calloused, and deceived. However, with God's grace and mercy, our spiritual determination to deny our flesh and walk in sanctification can be rekindled by returning to our first love.

Baptism is not just a religious ritual. It's a deeply personal commitment to living the life this holy re-enactment is revealing. It represents death to sin, the burial of our old life, and the

resurrection to a new life in Christ! We are confessing and professing that Jesus is our Lord, and the miracle of being born again. We receive the gift of God's love by declaring to the world that we are completely dedicated to loving and serving our Master. The believer's baptism is an open display and promise that we will fulfill our vow to never return to who we once were. We now promise to allow God to lead us, we have become a temple of the Holy Spirit and are filled with the marvelous light of His eternal truth. Jesus died and resurrected so that you could become a member of His everlasting kingdom of peace and joy. Will you respond to His voice today?

Dr. Holland is an ordained minister, chaplain, and author. Read more about the Christian life at billyhollandministries.com.

When Heaven quakes

By Brandon Bramlett
Pastor - Bandana Baptist Church

A traumatic earthquake in San Francisco deeply devastated the little boy, although he was oblivious to it. But he showed subtle signs of how shaken he was on the school's swingset. The lad's teachers observed that he would run for the swings during recess, and sway back and forth until it was time for school to resume. And when a teacher finally asked him why he bypassed the slides

and merry go-round to swing alone, he sadly answered, "On the swing, I move like the earth. So, if there's another earthquake, I won't feel it."

Without realizing it, he diagnosed the knee-jerk reaction we often have when we endure troubles in our lives. When we go through a life-shaking storm—an earthquake-level tribulation that rattles our world—we tend to brace ourselves for the next one. We live anxiously and guarded, worried that if things start to get better, that can

only mean they are about to get worse. We often find ourselves quaking before the ground does.

But the heartening truth of Scripture is that a much greater "quaking" takes place in heaven when we pray during times of trouble. As David said in Psalm 18, "In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help . . . Then the earth reeled and rocked; the foundations also of the mountains trembled and quaked, because he was angry. The LORD

also thundered in the heavens, and the Most High uttered his voice, hailstones and coals of fire. He sent from on high, he took me; he drew me out of many waters" (Ps. 18:6a, 7, 13, 16; cf. Acts 4:31; James 5:16b).

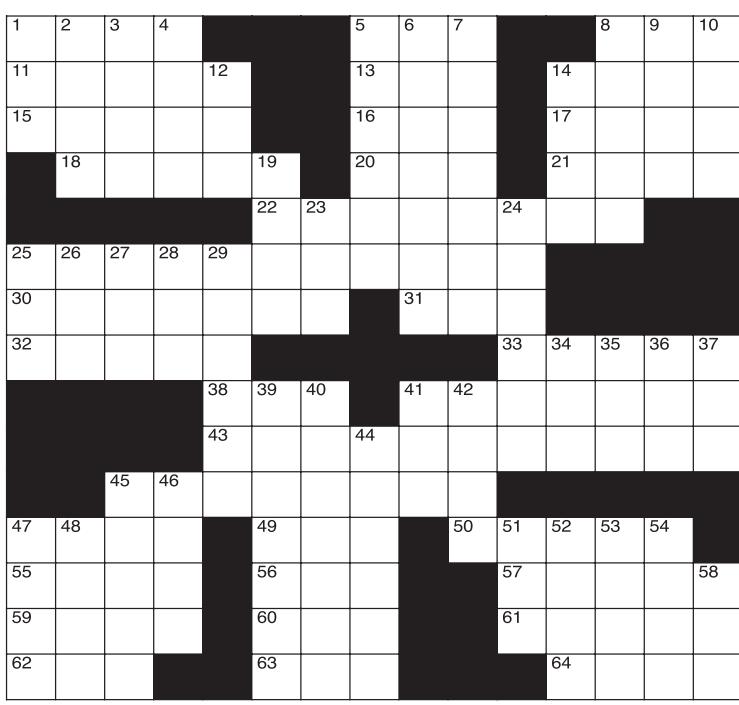
When we send up a prayer for help during trials, the Lord treats it like a call for backup. At the sound of our requests, God rises like a mighty warrior from His throne, rattling the floor of heaven with His swift steps, and heaven's gates fling open wide so the

Lord can get to our side. When we pray in peril, God shouts across the heavens as though to say, "Out of My way, My child is in trouble!" When our prayers reach His ears, He leaves the throne-room of glory and enters the battlefield with us. He conducts a search-and-rescue mission when we petition Him for mercy in misery, and will even mobilize creation itself to provide us with reinforcements so we can survive the battle.

Every good father—upon hearing his

child crying in danger—would drop everything, rush to his location, and push aside anything that stands in his way. Likewise, our heavenly Father rushes to our position, pushing aside all the glories of heaven and all the starry hosts of the heavens to come to our aid when we need Him. As James Rowe (1865-1933) wrote in the great hymn Love Lifted Me, "But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry, from the waters lifted me—now safe am I."

Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

1. Breezed through
5. Consumer protection agency
8. Criminal syndicate
11. Moves back from
13. Satisfaction
14. Feel concern or interest
15. Monetary units
16. Congressman (abbr.)
17. Israeli city
18. Restaurants
20. 2,000 lbs.
21. Grandmother
22. North, South and Central
25. In an early way
30. Foes
31. Social networking platform
32. Early term for basketball player

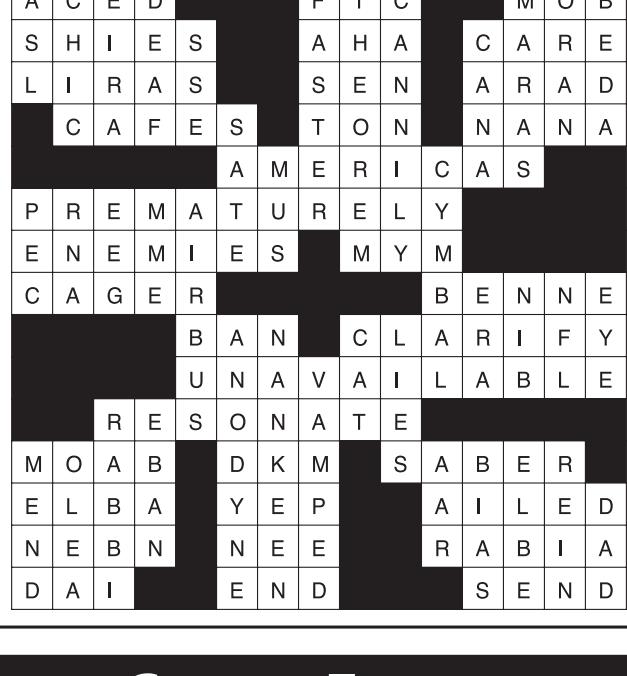
33. Another name for sesame plant
38. Disallow
41. Provide greater detail
43. Inaccessible
45. Evoke emotions
47. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
49. Celtic punk rockers
50. A fencing sword
55. Actor Idris
56. Affirmative (slang)
57. Afflicted in mind or body
59. One point north of northeast
60. Born of
61. Social media hand gesture
62. Hong Kong food stall — pai dong
63. Opposite of beginning
64. Email function

CLUES DOWN

1. Sign language
2. Fashionable
3. Borough in Helsinki
4. Inability to hear
5. More quickly
6. An idea accepted as a demonstrable truth
7. Shrewdly
8. Rooney and Kate are two
9. Mediterranean port
10. Benedictine monk
12. Midway between south and southeast
14. Town in Galilee
19. Satisfy
23. Mice genus
24. Brass instrument
25. Chest muscle (slang)
26. Transmits genetic information from DNA
27. Records electric currents generated by the brain

28. Woman (French)
29. Short route aircraft
34. Pitching statistic
35. Pointed end of a pen
36. Popular sports league
37. Body part
39. Inoffensive
40. Yellowish cotton cloth
41. Feline
42. Does not tell the truth
44. Seduced
45. Spiritual leader
46. Abba ___, Israeli politician
47. Repair
48. Olive genus
51. Swiss river
52. Prejudice
53. C. European river
54. Keep under control
58. Father

PUZZLE SOLUTION



Crypto Fun



Solve the code to discover words related to heart health.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 9 = s)

A. 8 23 22 9 3
Clue: Throbbing of arteries

B. 8 10 3 9 9 23 10 3
Clue: Continuous force

C. 8 23 20 8 6 25 14
Clue: Moving blood through body

D. 2 3 9 9 3 22 9
Clue: Veins and arteries

Answers: A. pulse B. pressure C. pumping D. vessels

Word Search

HEALTHY HEART WORD SEARCH

ANSWERS ON THE CLASSIFIED PAGE

WORDS

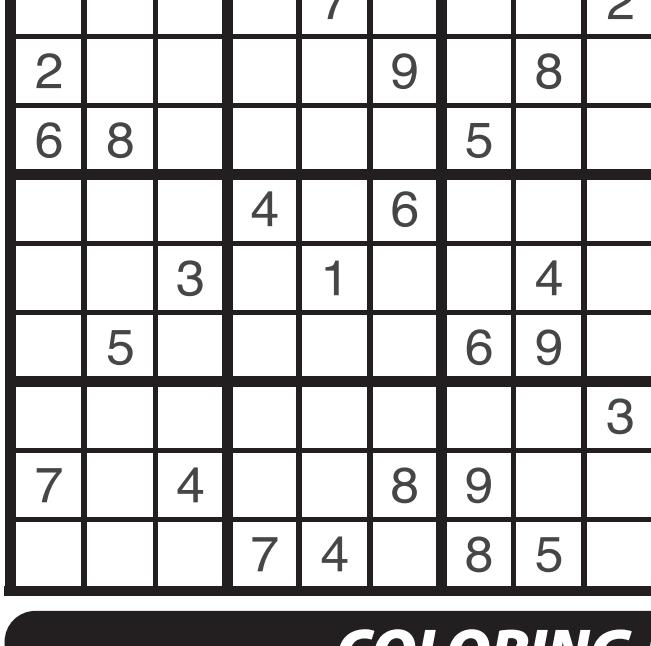
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CHOLESTEROL
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CORONARY
ENDURANCE
EXERCISE
HEALTHY
HEART
HYPERTENSION
INFLAMMATION
MUSCLE
PLAQUE
PULSE
STRESS
STROKE
VALVES
VEINS

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

Sudoku Puzzle

How it Works:

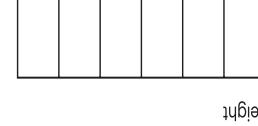
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle! Good Luck! **ANSWERS ON THE CLASSIFIED PAGE**



Word Scramble

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to heart health.

I W H T E G



Answer: Weight

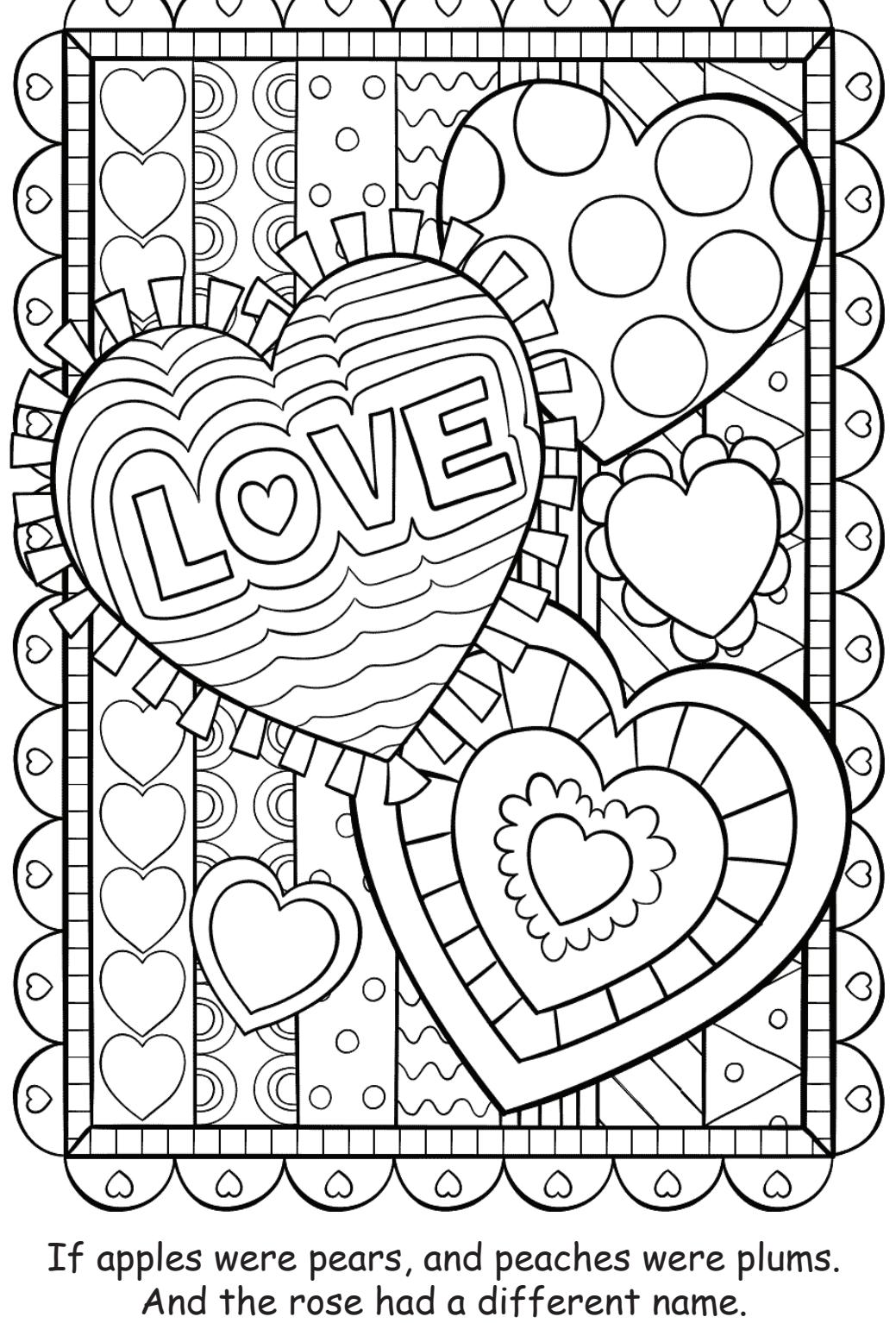
Guess Who?

GUESS WHO ?

I am an actress born on February 11, 1969 in California. I worked various odd jobs to support my acting career. One of my first acting jobs was in a 1993 horror film. My fame skyrocketed thanks to a very popular TV show about a group of young people living in New York City.

Answer: Jennifer Aniston

COLORING FUN



If apples were pears, and peaches were plums.
And the rose had a different name.

If tigers were bears, and fingers were thumbs,
I'd love you just the same.

Happy Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day Jokes

What did one cat say to the other cat on Valentine's Day?
You're purr-fect for me

Why did the Valentine get arrested?
For stealing someone's heart

What's the most romantic ship?
A relation-ship

What do you call a Valentine's Day card from a dog?
A paw-sitive note

What do you call the world's smallest Valentine's Day card?
A valen-tiny

What did the painter say to his Valentine?
I love you with all my art



John C. Friedman

John C. Friedman, age 79, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away surrounded by family on Sunday, February 1, 2026, at the Heart-to-Heart Hospice House in Evansville, Indiana. A Mass of Christian Burial for John C. Friedman was held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, with entombment to follow in the Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum in Jasper. The American Legion Post #147 will conduct military graveside rites.

Dennis E. Adams

Dennis E. Adams, age 65, of Ferdinand, Indiana, passed away at 4:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at home. A Celebration of Life memorial service for Dennis E. Adams will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2026, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, Indiana. Pastor Darrel Land will officiate. A memorial visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until the 6:00 p.m. service time at the funeral home.

Donald L. Sander

Donald L. Sander, age 77, passed away at 1:20 a.m. on February 4, 2026, at Serenity Springs Senior Living at Northwood in Jasper. A Mass of Christian Burial for Donald L. Sander was held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at St. Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, Indiana. A burial will follow in the church cemetery. The American Legion Post #147 will conduct military graveside rites.

Gary A. Hasenour

Gary A. Hasenour, age 73, of Celestine, Indiana, passed away at 6:38 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at Deaconess Memorial Medical Center in Jasper, Indiana. A Mass of Christian Burial for Gary A. Hasenour will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at St. Celestine Catholic Church with burial to follow in the church cemetery. A visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at the Becher Kluesner downtown chapel. A rosary will be prayed at 1:30 p.m. prior to the visitation.

Phyllis A. Merter

Phyllis A. Merter, age 78, of Otwell, Indiana, entered into eternal rest at 9:25 p.m. on Monday, February 2, 2026, at Amber Manor in Petersburg, Indiana. A celebration of life service for Phyllis A. Merter will be held at a later date.

Jacob William Volz

Jacob William Volz, age 56, of St. Anthony, passed away on Monday, February 2, 2026, at his home. Visitation for Jacob Volz was held from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST on Sunday, February 8, 2026, at Nass & Son Funeral Home in Huntingburg with a funeral service immediately following. Condolences may be shared online at: www.nassandson.com.

Dawn C. Rademacher

Dawn C. Rademacher, age 82, of Waynesboro, Tennessee, formerly of Pike County, Indiana, passed away at 8:13 a.m., on Saturday, January 31, 2026, at Williamson Medical Center in Franklin, Tennessee. Funeral services for Dawn C. Rademacher were held at 2:00 p.m., E.S.T., on Friday, February 6, 2026, at the Nass & Son Funeral Home in Huntingburg with burial to follow in Stendal, Indiana.

Linda James

Linda L. James, 69, passed away on February 4, 2026, at her home. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM CST on Sunday, February 8, 2026, at Huber Funeral Home, Tell City Chapel. Pastor Jack Masterson will officiate. Burial will follow in Smith Cemetery.

Bob Polen

Robert "Bob" Polen, Jr., 77, formerly of Tell City, passed away on February 1, 2026, at his home in Sylacauga, Alabama. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM CST on Thursday, February 5, 2026, at Huber Funeral Home, Tell City Chapel. Eddie Olberding will officiate. Burial will follow in Bolin Cemetery in Cannelton.

Dora "Gran" Senn

Dora A. Senn, more fondly known as "Gran", passed away on Sunday, February 1, 2026, at her home. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM CST on Friday, February 6, 2026, at Huber Funeral Home, Tell City Chapel with burial in Troy Cemetery.

Trenton J. Stone

Trenton James Stone, age 15, of Velpen, passed away on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at his home. A funeral service for Trenton James Stone will be held at 5:00 p.m., E.S.T., on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at Central Christian Church, 903 South Main Street, Huntingburg, Indiana 47542. A meal will be provided following the service, offering family and friends an opportunity to continue celebrating Trenton's life and sharing memories. A private burial will take place at Walnut Grove Cemetery in Velpen. Visitation will be held from 2:00-5:00 p.m., E.S.T., on Thursday, prior to the service at the church. Rainey Funeral Home in Dale has been entrusted with handling the arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the family to help with expenses.

Anthony Nickless

Anthony Nickless, age 79, of Dale, passed away at 2:20 p.m., Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at Core Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Dale. No services will be held at this time. Rainey Funeral Home in Dale has been entrusted with handling the arrangements.

Gregorio Rocha Torres

Gregorio Rocha Torres, age 65, of Huntingburg, passed away at 5:14 p.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at Select Specialty Hospital in Evansville. A funeral mass for Gregorio Rocha Torres was held at 10:00 a.m., E.S.T. (9:00 a.m., C.S.T.), on Monday, February 9, 2026, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Dale. Father Richard Toboso will officiate the mass.

Our deepest condolences to those who have lost loved ones. Prayers of comfort and peace.

Local student named to Wabash College dean's list

CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN — Wabash College is pleased to announce that Benjamin Henke, a Rhetoric major from Jasper, has been named to the Fall 2025 Dean's List.

Students on the Dean's List have maintained a 3.5 grade point average or better on a 4.0-point scale.

Located in Crawfordsville, Indiana, and founded in 1832, Wabash is a private liberal arts college, which teaches men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely.



What makes your business super?

Angie Sanchez-Hostetter
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info@duboiscountychamber.com



In honor of the Super Bowl, let's take a moment to focus on what makes your business super. Every successful team knows its strengths, and the same is true for small businesses. What sets you apart? Is it your customer service, your story, your products, or the way you show up for the community?

Once you identify what makes your business stand out, look for creative ways to share it with the world. This could be the perfect time to build a simple marketing plan, start a short social media or TikTok series, or highlight behind-the-scenes moments that show the heart of your business.

Traditional media still plays a powerful role, too. Reaching out to the local newspaper

for a lifestyle or feature piece can help tell your story to a broader audience.

People love learning about the faces and stories behind local businesses, and your story deserves to be told.

There are many ways to let the community know your business is super. This season, challenge yourself to step into the spotlight, celebrate your strengths, and remind customers why they choose you.

This year, make your business the MVP.

...more from the Chamber

A perfect time to prepare for Spring

In honor of last week's Groundhog Day, now is the perfect time to start preparing for spring—no matter what the weather forecast says. For business owners, this season offers a great opportunity to pause, reset, and plan a refresh that can bring new energy into your business.

This is also a great time to think ahead about spring promotions. Planning a special spring sale, launching a new product or service, or updating your marketing materials can help you hit the ground running when the season changes.

Whether Punxsutawney Phil predicts more winter or an early spring, taking steps now to prepare can make a big difference. A little planning and refreshing can help renew your focus, energize your team, and set your business up for a successful season ahead.

Here's to planning, refreshing, and growing this spring!

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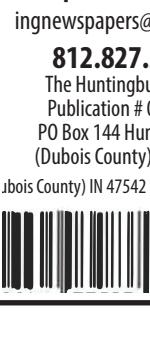
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Community Foundation celebrates 30 years of impact

Dubois County, IN, February 5, 2026 – Dubois County Community Foundation celebrates its 30th anniversary this year, marking three decades of strengthening our county through impactful philanthropy.

Founded in 1996 by local community members, the Community Foundation was established with a shared vision of building a stronger

community through collective charitable giving.

Over the past 30 years, the Community Foundation has grown into a trusted charitable partner, stewarding more than \$100 million in total assets and awarding over \$49 million in grants in Dubois County.

"This milestone reflects the trust our donors place in us and the generosity of our community," said Clayton Boyles,

Executive Director. "Together, we have built a strong foundation that will continue to serve our community for generations to come."

From scholarships and nonprofit support to community initiatives and strategic grantmaking, the Community Foundation's work has touched lives across Dubois County and strengthened the fabric of the community. Throughout

its history, the Community Foundation has leveraged philanthropy and community leadership to advance impactful projects, including The Parklands, Market Street Park, the Dubois Park Community Center, Child Advocacy Center (SWICACC), Ferdinand Old Town Lake, Dove Recovery House for Women, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, Tri-County YMCA

expansion and the revitalization of the Astra Theatre.

"As the Community Foundation looks ahead, we are committed to deepening community impact by working with donors, nonprofit partners and community leaders to thoughtfully respond to our community's evolving needs," Boyles said.

Today, the Community Foundation manages over 500 charitable

funds supporting a broad range of causes including the arts, youth and education, faith and historic preservation.

The Community Foundation is a place where anyone can give—at any level—and make a meaningful difference in their community. To learn more about the Community Foundation's history, impact or ways to get involved, visit dcommunityfoundation.org

Rotary Club of Dubois County announces 2026 Community Grant Program

Local clubs and organizations are invited to apply

The Rotary Club of Dubois County is proud to announce the launch of its 2026 Community Grant Program, inviting nonprofit organizations, schools, and community groups across Dubois County to apply for funding to support impactful local projects.

The Rotary Club of Dubois County is a vibrant service organization made up of dedicated professionals committed to making a lasting difference—both locally and around the world. Each year, the Club raises funds that are reinvested directly

into the community through a competitive grant process designed to support meaningful, sustainable projects.

Grant Focus Areas: Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus

Proposed projects must align with at least one of Rotary International's Seven Areas of Focus, which guide Rotary's mission of service above self:

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution

– Promoting peace, understanding, and cooperation in communities

Disease Prevention and Treatment

– Improving health outcomes and access to care

Clean Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene – Ensuring access to safe water and sanitation

Maternal and Child Health – Supporting the health and wellbeing of mothers and children

Basic Education and Literacy – Expanding educational opportunities and literacy initiatives

Economic and Community Development – Strengthening local economies and workforce development

Improving the Environment – Protecting natural resources and promoting

sustainability

Projects must also include a hands-on opportunity for Rotary member involvement.

Grant Amount and Application Process

Organizations may apply for grant funding of up to \$20,000. Applications will open Monday, February 2, 2026 and close Friday, March 20, 2026. Selected applicants will be invited to present their projects to the full Rotary Club membership, with final award notifications anticipated in late April 2026.

A portion of the funding is made possible through the Rotary District Grant program. Once a project is selected, the Rotary Club of Dubois County submits the district grant application on behalf of the partner organization. Full grant funds are typically available in early August, though partial early funding may be considered based on project needs.

Recent Community Grant Recipients

Recent Rotary Club of Dubois County Community Grant projects include:

TRI-CAP – Nutritional Needs for Head Start

Deaconess Memorial Medical Center – Diapers and Books Initiative

The Trotter House – Earn While You Learn Program

Dove Recovery House – Vehicle Support

Crisis Connection Inc. – Internet and Social Media Safety Speaker

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Southeast Dubois School Corporation – Emergency Backpack Initiative

Southwest Dubois County School Corporation – Fuertes Together educational support

Southwestern Indiana Child Advocacy Center Coalition (SWICACC) and the Center on 5th – Building Security Improvements

Pine Ridge Elementary School – Sensory Needs and

Flexible Classroom Seating

Crisis Connection Inc. – Partnership for Peace Project

These projects reflect the Rotary Club's commitment to addressing real community needs while creating long-term, positive impact.

How to Apply

Organizations interested in applying can access the Community Grant Application online (<https://forms.gle/WyuQdZ9WXPjo3SvX9>). A link to the application along with additional details, timelines, and application requirements are available on the Rotary Club of Dubois County website (<https://www.duboiscountyrat.org>).

For questions or more information about the Community Grant Program, please contact Christian Blome, Rotary Club of Dubois County Community Service Director at cjblome@gmail.com



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR**Traffic problems on Hwy 231**

For all of us who drive on Hwy 231, it is clear that we have a traffic problem with the large number of semi tractor trailers and the increasing daily vehicle traffic. This traffic issue can be resolved with the construction of the Corridor.

The Corridor is for all of the citizens of Dubois County. Perhaps, most importantly, the Corridor will provide substantial time savings for not only those of us who are driving within Dubois County, but also for the many people who are coming to Dubois County to work and shop and those of us who are trying to reach our destinations outside of the County. All of us have experienced wasted time stuck in long lines

of traffic. Time which would have been better spent with our families or at our jobs. Yes, the time savings may range from one minute to fifteen minutes per trip, but think of the number of trips you make to your job each week, each month, each year. The Corridor could give back to you days and weeks of time that could be better spent with your family and not stuck in your car frustrated by traffic congestion.

The Corridor also will mean better safety for all of us driving on Hwy 231. First the Corridor will remove up to 80% of the heavy truck traffic off of current Hwy 231 and onto the Corridor. That fact alone is extremely important to all of us and our families

who want to be able to drive safely on Hwy 231. Additionally, for those drivers who will use the Corridor on a daily basis to get to our jobs or get to other locations outside of Dubois County, a divided four-lane road generally reduces traffic accidents by fifty percent over a two-lane roadway.

Finally, although it has not been significantly raised as an issue, the thousands of cars, trucks, and semis that are idling in the middle of our communities are impacting the health of our communities. It has been identified that as much as 50% of the vehicle traffic on Hwy 231 could be relocated to the Corridor after it is built. The ability to have

up to 10,000 vehicles relocated outside of our communities will also have a significant beneficial health impact to our communities and all of us as citizens.

I wanted to make sure that the positive impacts of the Corridor are also made clear to all of us as citizens of Dubois County. Lastly, I sympathize with the landowners who will be sacrificing some part of their land for the construction of the Corridor, but there is not a road that we drive on today that did not require some prior landowner to make the same sacrifice... for the good of our community and the future of our children and grandchildren.

Hank Menke

Now hiring production staff for Summer 2026 production of Legally Blonde: The Musical

Actors Community Theatre (ACT) announces paid production staff opportunities for its upcoming performances of Legally Blonde: The Musical. The performances will be held on July 23-26, 2026 at the Jasper Arts Center.

Some applicants may be asked to interview either in person, via Zoom, or phone call on March 9th, 2026.

More information about auditions will be announced in late Spring. Ticket sales will be announced following cast announcements.

For over 75 years, Actors Community Theatre Inc. has provided a nurturing environment for area talent, produced quality productions at reasonable prices, and instilled in area youth skills that have real world application. ACT has continued this tradition in recent years with successful productions of Mary Poppins, The Sound of Music, Matilda, and The Wizard of Oz, dinner theatre performances of Rumors and These Shining Lives, as well as radio plays such as Dracula, Twisted Tales of Poe, and Yes Virginia. There is a Santa Claus.

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The Stage Manager assists the Director with scheduling, coordinates rehearsal spaces, assists the rehearsal process, helps run performances, works as a liaison between the cast and Director to dictate any announcements or information, and fulfills other duties assigned by the Director.

The Music Director's main responsibility is to teach the vocal music to the cast. Additionally, the Music Director runs the vocal rehearsals and ensures the cast is maintaining proper vocal health. Other responsibilities include assembling and working with all the musicians or software needed for the production. The Music Director also directs the cast for the duration of the production.

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