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Photo by David Roorbach
Oak Hill teammates push Janessa Hasty towards center court of Bankers’ Life Fieldhouse to accept the Patricia L. Roy Mental Attitude Award in Indiana Class 2A girls basketball. Oak Hill won the state title—see page 5.

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CALENDAR

Thursday, February 28
7:30 pm—Grigor Khachatryan Piano Master Class, Phillippe Performing Arts Center, Indiana Wesleyan University, 4201 S. Washington St., Marion. Join us for this evening of piano. Free. Info: 765-677-2152.

Friday, March 1
4:30 pm—Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss. Marion Public Library, 600 S. Washington St., Marion. Join the Red Cross American program by joining us for a celebration of reading, snacks, games, stories, and crafts. For children pre-school through 6th grade. Sign up required. Free. Info: 765-668-2900 ext. 1105.

8 pm—Taylor University presents Metamorphoses, Taylor University Mitchell Theatre, 236 W. Reade Ave., Marion. Set in and around a large pool of water, Metamorphoses juxtaposes the ancient and the contemporary both large and image to reflect the variety and persistence of narrative in the face of inevitable change. Call the box office at 765-998-5289 for tickets.

Saturday, March 2
1 pm—Help the Hopeful Auction, St. Paul Parish School, 1009 West Kem Road, Marion. Join us for this auction of amazing items. Proceeds benefit Help the Hopeful, serving local medically-challenged children and families in need. Free. Info: 765-661-3639.

1:30 pm—Saturday Movie, Marion Public Library, 600 S. Washington St., Marion. What happens when a family loses their husband and father? How will they continue on without him? Free. Info: 765-668-2900 ext. 1130.

2 pm—Supermoons and Seasons,

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Mayor: City ‘vastly improved’

The city of Marion is “vastly improved,” said Mayor Jess Alumbaugh at the annual state of the city address, hosted by the Marion Grant County chamber of Commerce on Wed., February 20 at the Ivy Tech Conference Center, “and I couldn’t be prouder of the work that we have done.”

That work was highlighted by Marion Controller Julie Flores, who preceded Alumbaugh to the podium and gave a report on the city’s finances. Most notably, Flores said, the city had spent \$1.581 million less than it brought in, leaving it with a \$3.163 million cash balance at the end of 2018.

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Photo by Ed Breen
Marion Mayor Jess Alumbaugh delivered his state of the city address on Wednesday, February 20, at the Ivy Tech conference center.

MPL hosts presentation on Weaver

by Ed Breen

The relationship between African-Americans and whites in Grant County is complex, long-lasting and worthy of more examination if we are to fully understand it.

That message seemed to be the summary judgment Thursday at the Marion Public Library when about 70 people—a mix of racial and ethnic backgrounds—came together to listen to a presentation from two academics who have been looking closely at who we are and where we came from to get to Grant County.

Dr. Kersten Priest, history professor at Indiana Wesleyan University, and her husband, Dr. Robert Priest, a history professor



Photo by Ed Breen
Military photo of longtime Marion resident Xen Stewart was among 20 photos displayed.

at Taylor University, have been in Grant County for nine years and have been collaborating on studying one of the unusual aspects of black-white relationships in rural

areas: The existence and endurance of “free black” communities prior to the Civil War.

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Foundation celebrates Loew Trust

by Alan Miller

The 100-plus community leaders who filled the Tree of Life atrium on February 21 had at least two things in common. First, they represented 19 local nonprofits that were about to share more than \$3 million from the Merlin J. Loew Family Trust. Second, most of them had no idea who Merlin J. Loew was.

Loew would have been pleased with both of those circumstances.

Merlin J. Loew was a successful businessman who had a reputation as a very private person who did things for the public good. The lead paragraph of his obituary described him as “one of Marion’s most prominent and least public businessmen.”

Loew owned property in downtown Marion, including the former Spencer Hotel, and farmland east of Marion along Indiana 18.

Before his death in September 1981 at the age of 85, Loew set up a charitable trust that listed 27 Grant County agencies as beneficiaries. That trust expired in 1999, at which time more than \$2 million was distributed.

Loew also had a family trust to care for his six siblings for the rest of their lives. The last of them, a sister, died in the fall of 2018 at age 103. The proceeds of that trust were distributed 38 years after his death at the recent celebration, coordinated by the Community Foundation of Grant County. Seventeen of the 19 nonprofits that received funds from the family trust last week also were beneficiaries when assets of the

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INDIANA QUIZ

Answers are on page 6.

Use each clue below to determine the name of the Hoosier born in February:

1. The governor doctor from Bremen
2. Rebel Without a Cause
3. Ma Kettle



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CITY FLAG



From left: Layla Price-Bodkin, city of Marion and Scott Wilson and Shell Brown from Collins Flags display the flag that was custom-made by Collins for the city. The flag displays the “M” mark (for Marion), the main component of the city of Marion’s brand. The city will be buying flags for city-owned facilities, and is encouraging residents to buy one of their own. (Available at Collins.) There will be a unified flag-raising ceremony on May 20 at noon.

The Gospel: Power to the nth degree

Romans 1:16

We live in a power-driven society. We are no more than introduced to an item and then a new, improved version is being promoted. Why is it that we are drawn to the faster, more efficient, more powerful things in life?

As I ponder these thoughts from a man's perspective, I grew up in the muscle car era. That was truly a special time in American history. A 1964 GTO looked like a GTO, and a Chevy SS looked like an SS. Those cars had character, class, power, and speed. My estimation of modern-day cars is that they all look like a Ford Taurus. I also grew

up at a time of transformation of tools. My first cordless drill was a 6-volt and would seemingly last about five minutes with no power! I recently bought Diane a cordless 18-volt weed eater made by Milwaukee that will run for one hour.

As I think about the household and the transformations that have taken place, I have to draw a blank. There is no doubt cooking products have made great strides as well as sewing machines, and many other appliances. I am not an authority on these.

There is also the aspect of power that drives people to be somebody. I am absolutely amazed by people and their quest for significance. We

feel that status is power, and power makes us special and important. The world has a completely different view of power than God does.

In one of his writings, the Apostle Paul wrote about his significance to the scheme of life. He used an interesting term called an "under-rower." What was he trying to convey to us? In Paul's time there were many slave ships. They weren't diesel-powered, but rather powered by slaves who would row. There were different decks of rowers with the most insignificant slaves down in the belly of the ship. They were the under-rowers because they weren't important. Why would Paul use this title to describe him-

self? I believe the answer is simple. As we view Paul's life, we would see him as a powerful, influential man who had it all. As Paul compared himself to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, he realized that he was nothing. But he was interested in power, as are we.

Paul gave us a beautiful picture of power in the book of Romans. It was there that he conveyed what was power, and how powerful it really was. Paul said, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jews first, and also to the Greeks." (Romans 1:16) Paul understood about power. It is the Gospel. He

was simply the delivery man bringing God's Word down to man. How powerful is the Gospel? The word "power" means "dunamus," which simply means the "nth" of power. It is more powerful than atomic, nuclear, or any other thing we know. Nothing is powerful enough to stand against the Gospel.

The next time you climb into your muscle car and burn rubber, or pick up a power tool and are amazed at the power, remember, nothing is comparable to the Gospel. It is the "Real Thing."

Tom

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charitable trust were distributed.

Preston O. von Arx, the family trust's trustee and a Marion native who now practices law in North Carolina, presented the individual awards. She is the daughter of the late George P. Osborn, who was Loew's Marion attorney.

Loew came to Marion in 1944 to serve as a consultant to Osborn Paper Co. Since it was to be a temporary as-

signment, he took a room at the Spencer Hotel. Before the year ended, he had married the owner of the hotel, Mary Elizabeth Moore Spencer. When his wife died seven years later, Loew took charge of the Spencer family holdings and made his fortunate through wise investing.

"My siblings and I remember Mr. Loew since childhood, but it wasn't until I returned to Marion in the 1980s to practice law with my father that I truly understood the depth of Mr. Loew's commitment to his

family and charitable giving," von Arx said. "He had such a clear vision for planned giving to better his community and local charities for many years to come. His vision and generosity has now come full circle."

"Mr. Loew is a prime example of the enormous impact one can have on a community when a planned gift is designated to your favorite charities through a will or an estate plan," said Dawn Brown, president/CEO of the Community Foundation.

Weaver, Continued from I

Weaver was such a place. The town was called a "settlement" and was in Liberty Township, southwest of Marion. It was created about 1840 and by 1870 had a population of 736, mainly former slaves who had escaped servitude in one way or another. It was one of about 100 "free black" communities in Indiana before the Civil War. Others included towns such as Roberts and Lyles Station.

Today Weaver exists mainly in the collective memory of numerous African-American families in Marion: The Pettifords, Burdens, Becks, Dodsons, Stewarts and Gullifords in Marion are mainly descendants of African-Americans who came to Grant County as farmers in the Weaver area.

Many purchased land and were among other white landowners who were outspoken "abolitionists," people united in opposition to slavery. Many were Methodist, Wesleyan and Society of Friends, or Quakers. Maps compiled by the Priests show a pattern of land ownership established by abolitionists in Liberty Township surrounding Weaver and the Hills Chapel A.M.E. church, which was central to the Weaver community.

Among the early residents



Photo by Ed Breen

Dr. Kersten Priest and Dr. Robert Priest presented the program on the Weaver community.

of Weaver was a man who had been held in slavery in the South, but was released by his owner so that he could come north to earn the \$1,000 the owner demanded in exchange for freedom. The man was a blacksmith and amassed the \$1,000 in one year.

The community was named for John Weaver, an escaped slave in Maryland who came west before 1840. The population was 144 in 1850, peaked in the years following the Civil War and declined as African-Americans turned from farming to industrial jobs in Marion during the Gas Boom years prior to 1900. The scant physical evidence today are several markers and the Weav-

er cemetery.

Central to the library discussion and the study being done by the Priests is the relationship between the black population and the abolitionist whites nearby, many of whom were involved in the Underground Railroad movement, which assisted escaped slaves in moving from slave-holding states to the north and on to Canada.

A quote from a white person's diary entry speaks much about the early black-white relationship and the Underground Railroad system in Weaver: "We had the pleasure of keeping the runaway slaves and then sending them on their way to Canada."

SUDOKU

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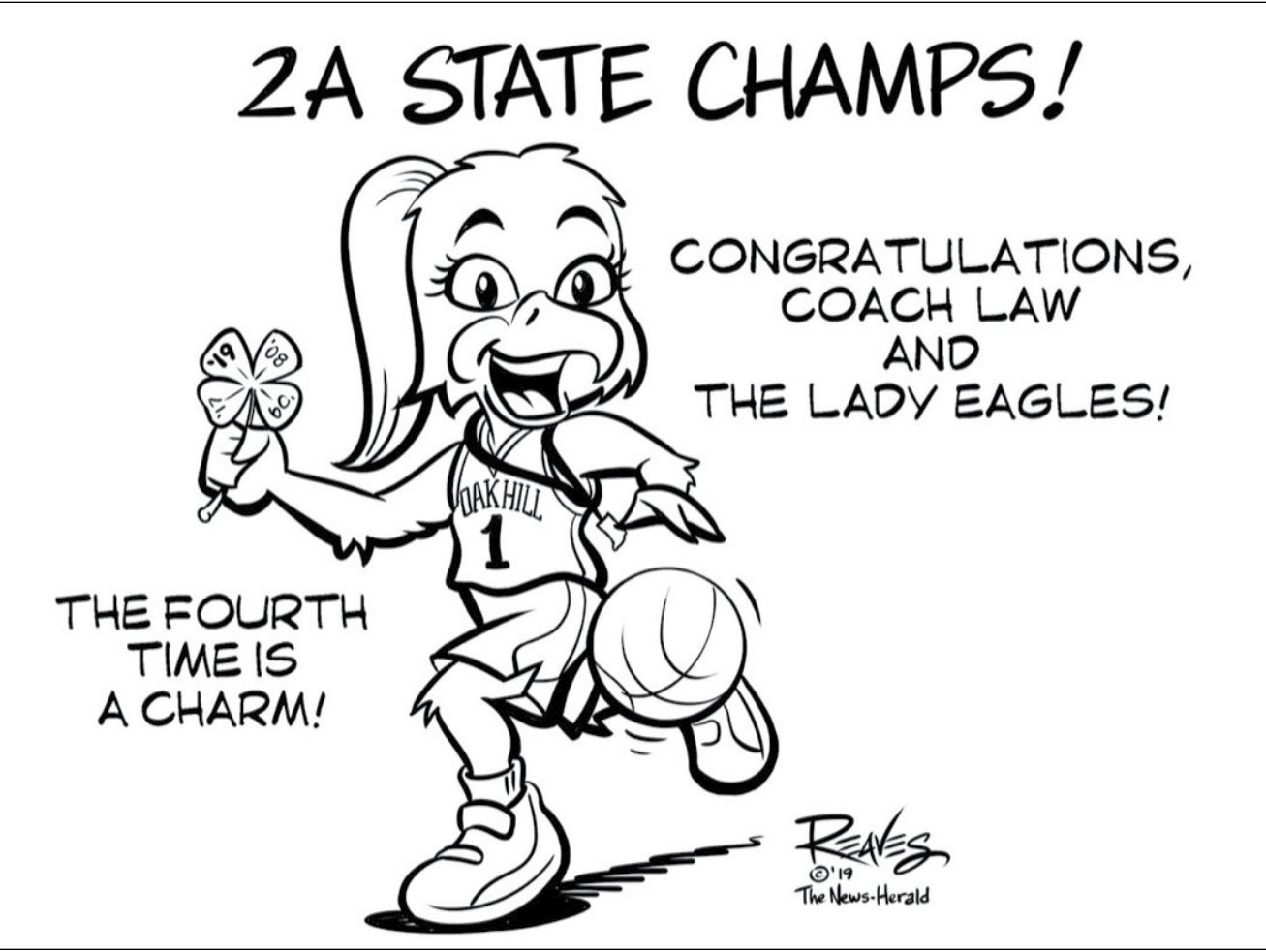
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Marion High School, 750 W. 26th St., Marion. Enjoy this presentation at the Marion High School Planetarium. Free, but seating is limited. Info: 765-664-9051.

5 pm—Supermoons and Seasons, Session 2.

8 pm—Taylor University presents Metamorphoses, see March 1

Sunday, March 3

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5 pm—Supermoons and Seasons, Session 2.

Monday, March 4

10 am—Marion Board of Works, Marion Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 S. Branson St. Free. Info.: ajrichard@cityofmarion.in.gov or cityofmarion.in.gov

12 pm—Marion Parks and Recreation Board Meeting, Marion City Hall Second Flood Conference Room, 301 S. Branson St. Info.: Rose Cadena, rcadena@cityofmarion.in.gov

2 pm—Grant County Commissioners Meeting, Grant County Council Chambers, 401 S. Adams St., Marion. Info.: TC Hull, 765-668-4776 or commissioners@grant-county.net

6 pm—Understanding Grief, Family Life Care, 705 S. Baldwin Ave., Marion. Adults (18 up), free. Recurring. Info.: Jeff Luttrell, 800-355-2817

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That was a 99.9% increase from the year before, Flores said.

In addition, the city reduced the deficit in its insurance fund by more than \$300,000 and borrowed almost 40% less money for its operating expenses during the year, according to Flores' report. "We are a city on the rise," said Alumbaugh, pointing to young people who have chosen to remain in Marion. "People are starting to choose Marion." "They feel like there's hope again for Marion," he said, "That was not here when I took over."

In a series of bullet points

on slides projected on screens at the venue, Alumbaugh said:

- That businesses were moving into the city, and investing more;
 - That multiple buildings in the downtown area have been bought and are being renovated by private investors;
 - That the city was continuing to reduce blight by demolishing derelict structures;
 - and that the police and fire departments were providing excellent and professional services to the city.
- Alumbaugh said there were 32 new homes built in 2018, versus 26 in 2017 and just 15 in 2016. He said the city had paved 6.25 miles of roads (at a cost of \$180,000/mile) in 2018, which was down from 7.28 in 2017, and

"I viewed it as an eight-year marathon."

that they proposed to do 6.1 miles more in 2019.

"I didn't start this journey thinking it was a four-year sprint," Alumbaugh said, "I viewed it as an eight-year marathon."

Alumbaugh announced at last year's state of the city address that he would run for re-election. He faces two challengers (Joselyn Whitticker and Henry Smith) in the Democratic primary in May.

He ended his speech by telling the crowd: "I look forward to seeing you guys here again next year."

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Breen: GOP should give up right to redistrict

If I suggest to you that we're going to talk about state legislative redistricting today, you'll either turn the page or take a nap, right? Well, what if I suggest that the fox is about to stage a full, flat-out, frontal assault on the hen house? Does that help? We are going to talk about redistricting, but the hen house thing is no idle threat and is very much a part of the mess ahead.

Start with this: Indiana is very close to being a one-party state. Because of the way we have drawn the voting maps for city council, county

council, county commissioner all the way up to Congress of the United States, the Republican Party has a stranglehold on the state.

Consider: Republicans control 89 percent of county commissioners; 80 percent of county courthouse offices; all of the constitutional Statehouse offices—governor, auditor, treasurer, secretary of state; nine of 11 congressional seats, and 107 out of 150 General Assembly seats.

Now, my Republican friends would have you believe that those numbers reflect the will of the people.

They do not. They reflect the skills of politicians and map-makers who have conspired over the past two or three decades to make sure that the districts from which all these people are elected include only like-minded voters. Wealthy suburbs, middle-class neighborhoods, pockets of poverty. All can be moved, shuffled, manipulated so as to have greater or lesser voice at the polling place on election day.

Redistricting, gerrymandering, call it what you will; it is a subversion of the way democracy is supposed to work.

We get only one chance every 10 years to do something about fixing it. It's called redistricting.

It works like this: Elections of all sorts across America have something to do with the number of people in a district. For instance, in the Congress, the House of Representatives, each district in Indiana includes about 600,000 people, give or take a few. We have a little over six million Hoosiers, we have eleven seats in Congress. Do the math.

We take a census, we count the people every decade in the zero year: 2000, 2010. Two thousand twenty is coming up. The census will be taken, the numbers will be totaled, and a year or so into the decade the Congress, the state legislature, the city council, everyone will be required to take the new numbers and move lines based on where the people are. This is where it turns both ugly and undemocratic. This is where the folks in the smoke-filled rooms get out their pencils and carve up districts to protect those of their own who are there and dispose of those who are not.

Take Indiana House District 32. It includes a large chunk of Grant County, but because a former state representative moved down to Cicero in Hamilton County quite a few years ago, the map looks like a drawing of

a dead rat, with Cicero at the end of the tail.

It is the nature of politicians to protect their own. Thus, when the maps are redrawn, under current Indiana law, the crayons will be in the hands of the lawmakers and, because the Republican Party has the legislature by the throat, you can safely bet the homestead that the rat's tail will be preserved.

In fairness, there are those among the elected who want to do the right thing and have introduced plans that would put the mapping in the hands of a board or commission or committee that isn't beholden to the political pros.

A number of states have done that. They have at least tried to clean up the mess. Not so here in Indiana. Lip service, yes. Action, no.

We'll quote here from the folks at The Journal Gazette up in Fort Wayne, where a Sunday editorial laid it all out:

"Indiana's lawmakers once again are blocking efforts to change the way Indiana legislative and congressional districts are drawn. Their reluctance to give any part of the process to an independent redistricting commission is puzzling."

"They insist districts are not gerrymandered for political advantage and that election results are a true reflection of voter preferences. If they are so confident Hoosiers are satisfied with

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their representation, they should have no reservations establishing a citizen-led redistricting commission. "Senate Republicans rejected the latest effort to establish an independent panel last Monday. Time is running out. The 2020 Census is just ahead and new districts are due in 2021."

Ed Breen, co-host of "Good Morning Grant County" on WBAT radio, has been reporting on life in Indiana for more than 50 years. In 2016 he was inducted into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame.

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Oak Hill girls win state title

by Sean Douglas

When the clock read triple zeros at Bankers Life Fieldhouse in downtown Indianapolis on Saturday afternoon, there was only one word that came to Oak Hill Head Coach Todd Law's mind.

"Finally."
After 15 years of coaching the girls basketball team to nearly 300 wins, he and the Golden Eagles were finally the state champions of Class 2A.

Law and the Golden Eagles had been there before, three times in fact. They finished as the state runner-up in 2008 and 2009, losing both times to Heritage Christian, and in 2017, when they came up short against Eastern (Pekin).

This time, behind yet another strong defensive performance and career-best games from Brittany McCorkle and Kaela Robey, the Golden Eagles earned another large trophy to put in the school's ever expanding case, with a 54-42 triumph over the Winchester Community Golden Falcons.

In basketball, offensive efficiency comes and goes. Sometimes shots just do not fall, even if they are great looks. Teams can still play great defense even through those slumps, though, which is what Oak Hill did through-

out the season, when their defensive prowess kept them in many games.

"That's who we are," Law said. "It all starts with defense for us. We've been strong defensively all year, and, obviously, that was a major factor today as well. These kids know—we've talked about this since they were freshmen—that if you defend and you rebound, [even] if you are having a poor offensive night, that can help you to survive that, and it helped us survive the first half."

The Golden Eagles had a nightmarish first quarter offensively, shooting just two-for-16 from the field, but the Golden Falcons were not much better, shooting just three-for-nine and turning the ball over four times as they took a 6-5 lead into the second stanza.

Winchester ran a triangle-and-two defense for most of the game, putting individual defenders on Taylor Westgate and Adrianna Trexler, and it was particularly effective in the first half. The Golden Eagles could not find a lot of open shots, and the ones they did take were rushed or way off the mark.

"We were just not moving the ball," Law said.

Both teams traded baskets for the first 3:12 of the second quarter, but Winchester star Maddie Lawrence made

her presence felt over the rest of the half, converting back-to-back three point plays and helping to build the Golden Falcons' 23-15 lead at halftime.

After hitting three of their first four shots of the quarter, Oak Hill shot just one-for-10 the rest of the half.

In the locker room at halftime, Law did his best to light a fire under his team. "I would say it was motivational," Kaela Robey said of Law's talk. "He brought up [the fact] that this is the last game for most of us, and I think that really set in with me—to go out there in the second half and really give everything I've got because it's the last time."

When the Golden Eagles re-emerged from the tunnel, they were regrouped, refocused, and re-energized.

"We were not very active on offense, we weren't moving the ball very well, [and] our cuts weren't very strong," Law said of the team's first half offensive performance. "So, we had a little bit of a challenge conversation at halftime, and I think the kids came out much more focused—playing much harder and more aggressively. I think that was probably the difference in the game."

With Taylor Westgate and Adrianna Trexler contained

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LEGAL AND PUBLIC NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT 1
COUNTY OF GRANT 2019 TERM

IN RE THE MATTER OF: CAUSE NO.27D01-1902-MI-00011
DANIEL WARD MAINES Petitioner

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Daniel Ward Maines, whose mailing address is: 1823 W Bradford St., Apt. 101, Marion, IN 46952, of Grant County, Indiana hereby gives notice that he has filed a petition in the Grant County Superior Court 1 requesting that his name be changed to Daniel Boone Maines.

Notice is further given that the Hearing will be held on said Petition on the 12th day of April, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

This 19th day of February, 2019.

/s/ Joshua M. Howell
Joshua M. Howell
Attorney for Petitioner
208 W 4th Street
Marion, IN 46952
Telephone: (765) 664-9500

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NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING ALLOWANCES HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE COURTS OF GRANT COUNTY AS PROVIDED IN IC 36-2-6-3. THE JUDGE OF EACH CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, PROBATE, JUVENILE, CRIMINAL AND COUNTY COURT IS EMPOWERED TO ALLOW CLAIMS OR VOUCHERS OF THE COURT, INCLUDING OFFICES, DEPARTMENT AND INSTITUTIONS UNDER JURISDICTION OF THE COURT, SUCH AS COURT ADMINISTRATOR, PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER. CLAIMS OR VOUCHERS OF THE COURT ARE NOT SUBJECT TO ALLOWANCE BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. THE FOLLOWING ALLOWANCES WERE APPROVED BY GRANT CIRCUIT COURT AND/OR GRANT SUPERIOR COURTS 1, 2, & 3.

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James E. McWhirt
GRANT COUNTY AUDITOR
TNH 2/27

**LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL RECEIVE SEALED BIDS UP TO THE HOUR OF 12:00 P.M. ON MARCH 18, 2019 IN THE GRANT COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE AT 401 SOUTH ADAMS STREET, MARION, INDIANA 46953 FOR THE FOLLOWING ASPHALT MATERIALS FOR THE YEAR 2017.

1. 3,000 TONS OR LESS, ASPHALT FOR SEAL COATS, TACK COATS, PRIME COATS AND CRACK SEALING; GRADES AE-90, AE-60, CM 150, AE-150, AE-200 AND AE-PL DUST CONTROL.

THE MATERIAL SHALL MEET MOST CURRENT INDOT STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, SECTION 902.01. THE ASPHALT SHALL BE DELIVERED BY TRUCK TO ANY GRANT COUNTY STORAGE TANK, VENDOR STORAGE TANK OR DISTRIBUTOR TRUCK AT ANY LOCATION IN GRANT COUNTY AS DESIGNATED BY THE HIGHWAY SUPREVISOR.

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2. 35,000 TONS OR LESS, OF HAC HOT ASPHALT MIX CONCRETE BINDER COURSE, INTERMEDIATE AND SURFACE COURSE, AS SPECIFIED IN CURRENT INDOT SPECIFICATIONS; SECTION 402.

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GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA

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JIM MCWHIRT AUDITOR
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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE GRANT COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 3
COUNTY OF GRANT CAUSE NO. 27D03-1901-ES-000012

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF HELEN J. WRIGHT Deceased

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT 3 OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.

In the matter of the Supervised Estate of: HELEN J. WRIGHT, deceased.

Cause Number: 27D03-1901-ES-000012

Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of February, 2019, MutualBank was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Helen J. Wright, deceased, who died on December 23, 2018.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated: February 20, 2019.

/s/Pamela K. Harris
Grant County Superior Court 3

CHARLES E. HERRIMAN (7686-27)
Spitzer Herriman Stephenson
Holderead Conner & Persinger, LLP
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TNH 2/27, 3/6

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT I
COUNTY OF GRANT CAUSE NO: 27D01-1812-MI-000228

JON GLESSNER,
Plaintiff
vs
JEFF WRIGHT A/K/A JEFFREY WRIGHT, LVNV FUNDING, LLC, JEFFERSON CAPITAL SYSTEMS LLC, CITY OF MARION, Douglas Bruce and their heirs, devisees, legatees, executors, administrators, personal representatives, husbands, wives, widows, and the successors and assigns of each, as well as any and all persons claiming from, through or under them, as well as unknown beneficiaries of any trust wherein any of the above-named designated defendants have acted or purported to act as trustee or trustees, Defendants.

**AMENDED NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS
& UNKNOWN DEFENDANTS**

TO: JEFF WRIGHT A/K/A JEFFREY WRIGHT, LVNV FUNDING, LLC, JEFFERSON CAPITAL SYSTEMS LLC, CITY OF MARION, DOUGLAS BRUCE, AND THEIR HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, HUSBANDS, WIVES, WIDOWS, WIDOWERS, AND THE SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF EACH, AS WELL AS ANY AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING FROM, THROUGH OR UNDER THEM, AS WELL AS UNKNOWN BENEFICIARIES OF ANY TRUST WHEREIN ANY OF THE ABOVE-NAMED DESIGNATED DEFENDANTS HAVE ACTED OR PURPORTED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE OR TRUSTEES

You are hereby notified that that above-named Plaintiff has filed a lawsuit against you in the Grant Superior Court No. 1 at the Grant County Courthouse in Marion, Indiana in the above entitled cause of action, naming you as Defendants. The named Plaintiff is represented by Spitzer Herriman Stephenson Holderead Conner & Persinger, LLP. The nature of this lawsuit is a Complaint to quiet title of the following described real estate located in Grant County, State of Indiana, to-wit:

Lots Numbered Two Hundred Thirty-five (235) and two Hundred Forty (240) in Forbes Addition to the City of Marion, Grant County, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, page 23, Plat Cabinet A, Slide 22, Miscellaneous Record 1, page 42 in the Office of the Recorder of Grant County, Indiana.

Parcel Numbers: 27-05-28-204-058.000-027 & 27-07-07-304-024.000-002

Street Address: 2302 South Race Street, Marion, Indiana, 46953

An answer or other response in writing to the complaint must be filed either by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days after the first notice of suit is published, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded by the Plaintiff.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of this Court on 29th day of January, 2019.

/s/Pamela K. Harris
Clerk of the Grant Superior Court 1

CHARLES E. HERRIMAN
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Marion, IN 46952
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INDIANA QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Dr. Otis Bowen
2. James Dean
3. Marjorie Main

NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT #3 OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JUDITH FOUDRAY, deceased.

ESTATE NUMBER 27D03-1901-EU-9.

Notice is hereby given that Natalie Harris and Wendy Bartrom were on the 24th day of January, 2019, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Judith Foudray, who died on the 8th day of January, 2019, and are authorized to administer said estate without court supervision.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or said claim will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana, on February 19, 2019.

/s/ Pamela Harris
Pamela Harris, Clerk
Grant Superior Court #3

David M. Payne
Attorney #5648-27
Ryan & Payne
112 S. Boots Street
Marion, Indiana 46952
(765) 664-4132
Attorney for the Estate
TNH 2/27, 3/6

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HEARING ON PROPOSED
CUMULATIVE FIRE FUND**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Jefferson Twp, Grant County that the Township Advisory Board will consider at 595 Warkentin Court, Upland, IN at 9:00 am on March 11th, 2019, the establishment of a Cumulative Fire Fund under the provisions of Indiana Code 36-8-14 for the purposes as follows:

"For all uses as set out in IC 36-8-14

The tax will be levied on all taxable real and personal property within the taxing district and will not exceed \$.0333 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The proposed fund will be levied beginning with taxes due and payable in the year 2020. Taxpayers appearing at such hearing shall have the right to be heard thereon. The proposal for establishment of the Cumulative Fire Fund is subject to approval by the Department of Local Government Finance.

Within 30 days after the date of the adoption of the cumulative fund by the Jefferson Township Advisory Board will publish a Notice of Adoption.

Upon publication of the Notice of Adoption, 10 or more taxpayers in the taxing district may file a petition with the Grant County Auditor not later than noon 30 days after the publication of the Notice of Adoption setting forth their objections to the proposed fund.

Dated this 21st day of February, 2019.

Jefferson Township Advisory Board

TNH 2/27, 3/6

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HEARING ON
PROPOSED CUMULATIVE BRIDGE FUND**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Grant County, Indiana, that the Board of Commissioners of Grant County, Indiana will consider at the Grant County Complex, 401 S. Adams Street in the Council Chambers at 2:00 o'clock p.m. on March18, 2019, the establishment of a Cumulative Bridge Fund under the provisions of Indiana Code 8-16-3 et seq. for the purpose as follows:

For all uses as set out in IC 8-16-3 et seq.

The tax will be levied on all taxable real and personal property within the taxing district and will not exceed \$0.10 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. The proposed fund will be levied beginning with taxes due and payable in the year 2020. Taxpayers appearing at such hearing shall have the right to be heard thereon. The proposal for establishment of the Cumulative Bridge Fund is subject to approval by the Department of Local Government Finance.

Within 30 days after the date of the adoption of the cumulative fund by the Board of Commissioners of Grant County, Indiana, Grant County will publish a Notice of Adoption.

Upon publication of the Notice of Adoption, 10 or more taxpayers in the taxing district may file a petition with the County Auditor not later than noon 30 days after the publication of the Notice of Adoption setting forth their objections to the proposed fund.

Dated this 21st day of February, 2019.

Grant County Board of Commissioners
TNH 2/27, 3/6

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT 3
COUNTY OF GRANT CASE NO. 27D03-1901-EU-01

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF:

RONALD P. MULLEN, Deceased

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Kimberly Garcia and Dawn Wright were on January 4, 2019 appointed as Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Ronald P. Mullen, who died on 07/22/2018. The Co-Personal Representative is authorized to administer the estate without Court supervision.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within five (5) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within one (1) year after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claim will be forever barred.

Pamela K. Harris
Grant County Clerk

William T. Myers
1320 W. Johnson Street
Marion, Indiana 46952
Telephone: (765) 662-9820
TNH 2/20, 2/27

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the City of Marion Board of Public Works and Safety will conduct a public hearing on the 4th day of March 2019 at 10:00 a.m. (local time) in the City Council Chambers at the Marion Municipal Building, 301 S. Branson St., Marion, Indiana, for the purpose of making a recommendation for approval to sell the following described properties owned by the City of Marion for the amount of the offer stated below for each property.

Property	Offer
1. Martin R. Fincannon, Jr. 1920 S. Selby St. Marion, IN 46953 Tax Parcel No. 27-07-07-301-053.000-002	\$800.00

City of Marion Board of Public Works and Safety
TNH 2/20, 2/27

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT III OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.

In the matter of the Unsupervised Estate of: DALE G. DIETRICH, deceased.

Cause Number 27D03-1901-EU-000011

Notice is hereby given that on the 7h day of February, 2019, SUKHJINDER KAUR BATH was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of DALE G. DIETRICH, deceased, who died on the 10th day of January, 2019.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana, this 7th day of February, 2019.

/s/ PAMELA HARRIS
Clerk, Grant Superior Court III

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Comeback Saturday for County sports

February 23, 2019 will be known as comeback Saturday here in Grant County sports.

It started with the Lady Eagles of Oak Hill High School. Having on three separate occasions made it to the state girls basketball finals only to lose, this year was the year. They had already beaten Winchester--their opponent in the championship game--by 20 points earlier in the season, and all the chips were in the middle of the table.

But there they were last Saturday, unable to make any type of outside shot and the clock was ticking. Late in the third quarter and the Eagles of Todd Law were down by nine points.

Time for a miracle, and it happened.

A young lady by the name of Brittany McCorkle, who was averaging five points per game, said "Give me the ball." She hit three point shot after three point shot and suddenly, early in the fourth quarter, the Eagles had the lead.

Reality checked in for Winchester and Oak Hill blew the game wide open, winning by 12.

Hats off to McCorkle and her senior class for fi-

nally getting Oak Hill Grant County's first girls IHSAA basketball title.

At the very same time that comeback was going on, another high flying Eagle, Caiden Lake, was diving in the state championships, right down the street in Indy. With three dives to go in the competition, Lake was in third place, and was hoping to come up with a dive that could rock the world of his competition.

As a senior, Lake didn't care to settle for a top three finish, he wanted the state championship medal. He had worked on a special dive with Coach Bobby Hart, but it was so difficult and so dangerous he had never tried it in a meet. Call it the Triple Lindy if you want--it was a dive that, if he tried it, could either win him the state, or knock him out of medal contention.

Lake figured he didn't want to be 50 dreaming of what could have been, so he went for it all. Hit the dive and win the state. Do a belly-flopper and goodbye top-ten medal.

The rest is history: he did it to perfection, scored more than 70 points on the dive, and went on to win the state title, becoming the first boy ever to win an individual

state title in any sport at Oak Hill. Comeback number two in a non-class sport was one for the ages.

Finally, Indiana Wesleyan University's men's basketball team was not playing for a state title, but its hopes for repeating as national champions were going down the tubes. With under eight minutes left, the Wildcats, playing at home, trailed Marian by 17.

If they lost this Crossroads League Tournament semifinal game they wouldn't earn an automatic bid to the NAIA national tournament. Even if they got an at-large bid to the tourney, their national seed would drop precipitously, and their chances to win their way through the national tournament would grow relatively more difficult.

Here comes comeback number three, all in the same hour. The defending national champs pulled out the Superman gear, cut the lead to two with five seconds left and came down the floor looking to tie or win the game. Canaan Coffey let it fly from 30 feet with a tenth of a second left.

Swish. 'Cats win! 'Cats win! This announcer goes berserk and IWU lives to play another



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Eagles,

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for most of the game, the Golden Eagles were looking for a catalyst, and in the third quarter Brittany McCorkle helped the Golden Eagles regain the momentum almost singlehandedly.

The Golden Falcons’ triangle-and-two left McCorkle open, and she made them pay. Despite playing with three personal fouls, the Golden Eagles’ point guard scored 14 of her 16 points in the quarter on six-for-eight shooting from the field and two-for-four from beyond the arc.

“You have to shoot the ball

in rhythm and have to have confidence in it,” Law said. “I felt like Brittany had that the entire game.”

“We were down [eight] coming into the third quarter, and I prayed really hard,” McCorkle said. “I just asked Him to give me the confidence and my team confidence to really get the job done...I knew that when they were doubling on Taylor and Nana [Adrianna] that I had to become an offensive threat.”

“We picked our poison,” Winchester Head Coach Holly Gutierrez said. “Others kids [besides Westgate and Trexler] had to step up, and they did.”

With 3:38 remaining in the

third quarter, Winchester led 32-23, but McCorkle scored six of the final eight points in the stanza to cut the Golden Falcon’s lead to 35-34.

If the third quarter was McCorkle’s, the final frame belonged to Robey.

Her field goal 35 seconds into the quarter put the Golden Eagles up by one point, the first time they had led since late in the first period. The two teams grappled defensively over the next couple of minutes and were tied at 38 with 6:18 left in the game. Ten seconds later Robey converted on an assist from Hasty and Oak Hill was off on a 16-4 run to end the game.

“Kayla is a good shooter, but Kayla is really good off the dribble and taking the ball to the basket,” Law said. “That is her strongest point. I felt like in the first half she was kind of settling for some tentative jumpshots, and in the second half, she took it strong to the basket. It ended up being her and [6-3 Kira] Robinson inside, but Kayla jumps pretty well and she can equalize that and was able to get a lot of shots to go.”

In the final eight minutes, Robey scored 12 points on five-of-six shooting from the floor, and the Oak Hill defense did the rest, keeping Winchester off the scoreboard for the final 2:45. Robey and

Trexler combined to hit six free throws in the final 1:16 to put the game on ice.

In the second half, the Golden Eagles shot a scorching 15-for-23 from the field; Robey and McCorkle together were 13-for-16 and scored 30 of the Golden Eagles’ 39 second-half points.

“I have talked about this for three years, and I’m not sure how many people actually believed or bought into the fact, but this is a team,” Law said. “This isn’t one or two players. That’s why we have worked so hard to develop a team—anybody can step up on any given night. It took a while today, obviously. [Winchester] did a great job of taking [Westgate and Trexler] away from us, and it took us a while to settle into that, but obviously [Robey and McCorkle] stepped up and did a great job. That’s just a great thing about having a group of girls that play together as a team.”

After holding Winchester to eight-for-22 shooting in the first half, Oak Hill was even more dominant in the second half, holding the Golden Falcons to just six-for-25, including three-for-14 from the three-point line, while forcing 16 total turnovers.

“All year long, we have been an excellent three-point shooting team,” Gutierrez said. “[Today,] We shot 10 percent from the three-point line. That was a huge factor in our game, as well as turnovers. Turnovers killed us. They scored 19 points off of those turnovers. So, it’s pretty easy to figure out



Photo by David Roorbach
Oak Hill’s Kaela Robey jumps over Winchester’s Kira Robinson for two points in the fourth quarter. The Falcons’ Maddie Lawrence looks on.

Community celebrates the champs

Just hours after the girls defeated Winchester Community 54-42, the entire community gathered in the Oak Hill gymnasium to congratulate their newly minted champions. Speeches were given, tears were shed, and most importantly, the athletes who had invested countless hours into their craft to finish at the top, were celebrated.

“Well, it’s certainly a little bit of a different situation for the girls in that they’ve been here several times and [have] not been able to do it, [but] they were able to pull it out this year,” Oak Hill Athletic Director Ryan Fagan said. “What an outstanding year for them. I’m so proud of them and everything that they’ve done. It doesn’t get

old.”

After being upset by longtime rival Frankton in the regional final last year, the Golden Eagles did not hang their heads for long. Rather, they used that loss as motivation, and, with a team full of talent, grit, and resolve, they were able to reach the pinnacle.

“Last year, everybody had high hopes that they would get to the state, and when they got beat over in the regional at Greentown, the whole community and the girls took it pretty hard,” longtime fan Norman McFarland said. “But most of them were juniors. And I told my wife, I said, ‘Next year, they are going to win the state.’ I predicted this back in the winter

time.”

Speaking of girls head coach Todd Law, Fagan said: “I know he has been working at it for years and years, and to be here four times and not get it done would have be heart-wrenching. I’m really proud of him and everything he has done, and, boy, it’s nice to bring home some hardware to Grant County.”

The celebration was as much about the Oak Hill community, parents and fans as it was the athletes. “They are all good kids, and they are all great parents,” McFarland said. “It’s a nice community. I’m from Kokomo, and my wife told me from the get-go that it doesn’t matter if they are [struggling] or they’re really good, the Oak Hill com-

munity backs their teams. It didn’t take me too long to see that she was right.”

Law was one of the last people to speak at the event, and after thanking multiple people, including his coaching staff, his players, and his wife Valerie, he thanked everyone in attendance for their support.

After all, this state championship is for them as well.

“I don’t know what it is about this place,” Law said, “Obviously, I went to school here and have been very fortunate to make it back here as a coach. This is a special place. I don’t care what it is. If there is something for people to turn out for, you turn out in spades. You were great today, and we appreciate you.”

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THE WEEK OF

MARCH 15

During the week of March 15, all containers of seasonal flowers will be emptied and any unapproved items will be removed. Any decorations families wish to keep need to be removed prior to this date.