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DEATHS

Notices for Week of August 10-17

Bobby Gene Young
1984-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Friday, August 14 at 7 pm.

Ellawione L. "Winnie" Miller
1932-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Thursday, August 13 at 11:30 am. Burial followed at Estates of Serenity.

Malissa Shanks
1971-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Saturday, August 15 at 1 pm. Burial took place at Gardens of Memory.

Max F. Kirkwood
1931-2020

A private gravesite service followed by burial took place at Gardens of Memory.

Karen Sue Sample
1944-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Monday, August 17 at

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Students made thier way into dorms and apartments at Indiana Wesleyan University and Taylor University.

College students return to campuses, routines

By Alan Miller

More than 4,000 students are expected to return to the campuses of Indiana Wesleyan University and Taylor University this week, ending the longest-ever summer break for Grant County's two private Christian colleges.

Both of the campuses closed and sent students home in mid-March in the face of the Covid-19 out-

break. Fall semester classes at Taylor began Wednesday, and IWU classes will begin Monday.

"The incoming class will most likely be smaller than previous years due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic," said Carson Castleman, an IWU spokesman. "Our admissions team has been working diligently to recruit the fall 2020 class. We anticipate a higher per-

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A fallen hero

Youth pastor with Marion ties loses life trying to save youth from Oregon river

By Amy McCarty
Special to The Paper

HOOD RIVER, Ore. - A church is mourning their youth pastor with ties to Marion after he died a hero, giving his life to save members of his youth group on Aug. 5 in the Columbia River.

Andrew Inskeep, 44, youth pastor at Ridgefield Church of the Nazarene, Ridgefield, Wash., was with 15 teens and youth sponsors at the Marina Beach sandbar when an evening of fun turned tragic. His mother, Joyce Inskeep, and brother, Daniel "Danny" Inskeep, both live in Marion.

"We had planned to find a swim area just to splash around for 15 minutes and have fun because it was so hot out," said Amber Langeliers, a youth sponsor who was on the trip with her daughter, a student. "We were scouting areas and found a huge sandbar where the water was only about knee deep.

"There was no movement in the water. It can get windy and cause waves, but it was still on top at the time."

The area where the Hood River meets the Columbia River is a well-known tourist attraction that draws people to the area for water activities. Many people use the area



Andrew Inskeep

for kite surfing, Lange-liers said.

"I talked to (adults from the area) about safety and where the best place to splash was," she said. "Andy and I talked

and felt it was best to have them near the bridge side of the sandbar away from the kite surfers because kite surfers can move so

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Former Liberty Christian star gets to walk on for IWU softball

By Sean Douglas

For former Liberty Christian star softball player Alayna Thomas, softball at the collegiate level was not originally a part of her plan.

Instead, she was to play her senior season at Liberty, and then, head to Indiana Wesleyan University to focus on her academics and complete a degree in nursing. Nursing is one of the most challenging fields of study at the undergraduate level, requiring a rigorous course load and many hours

of study.

However, the COVID-19 pandemic altered her best laid plans.

Her senior season was canceled, robbing her of an anticipated stellar ending to an incredible career. All too suddenly, she, and many other senior athletes like her, had to come to grips with the fact that their final year of high school competition was over before it really began.

At first, her academics-only plan remained un-

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Thomas gets set to deliver a pitch for Liberty Christian in her junior year.

INDIANA QUIZ

Name the type of food product associated with each of these well-known brands based in Indiana.

1. The Sechler Company in Saint Joe
2. Pop Weaver's in Van Buren
3. Red Gold in Elwood

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