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DEATHS

March 4-11
Preston Howard Stone
1938-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Wednesday, March 3 at 10 a.m. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

Sheryl Kay Oradat
1956-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Friday, March 5 at 1 p.m. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

Phyllis J. Baker
1950-2021

Arrangements and cremation were handled by Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel.

Paul Arthur Bowman
1933-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Monday, March 8 at 2:30 pm. Burial followed at Thraillkill Cemetery.

Richard Joseph Baldinger
1948-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Saturday, March 6 at 2:30 pm. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

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INDIANA QUIZ

Match the poets to their poems

1. James Whitcomb Riley
2. Sarah Bolton
3. William Herschell
4. Mari Evans

A. When in Rome B. Ain't God Good to Indiana? C. Paddle Your Own Canoe D. The Raggedy Man

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The drought is over



Landen Swanner holds the Sectional 23 championship trophy and is surrounded by his teammates after the Indians' win over Norwell on Saturday night. The Indians defeated Norwell 49-45 to win their first sectional title since 1954. **Photo by Sean Douglas**

Indians win first sectional championship since 1954

By Sean Douglas

After 67 long years, years full of last-minute defeats, heartbreaking losses, and coming up just short, the Mississinewa Indians, at long last, found themselves back at the top of the mountain.

In a knock-down, drag-out

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affair at Fredenberger Court on Saturday night, a tenacious defensive performance, combined with a total team effort from everyone who touched the hardwood, ended one of the longest sectional championship

droughts in the state of Indiana as the Indians came away with a thrilling 49-45 triumph over Norwell.

"I'm just so proud," Mississinewa Head Coach James Reed said. "The adversity that we had during the season that we were frustrated by, and at times, looked like it might break us

and separate us a little bit, ended up being what brought us together. We needed grit, we needed toughness, and those times during the season that were trying times for us built us for this moment."

"It just makes you reflect on the number of people that have invested in this pro-

gram and our community," Mississinewa Athletic Director Chanse Young said. "I am so happy for these players, but I am also just overwhelmed with emotion for our community, because it's been such an important part of who we are. Now, hopefully, we've got the door

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Ordinance passes unanimously

By Sean Douglas

After months of meticulous research, planning, and discussion, the updated Chapter 90 ordinance, which addresses illegally

parked and abandoned vehicles, was passed in the latest Marion Common Council meeting by a 7-0 margin on Tuesday evening.

The new Chapter 90 ordinance will deter the

parking of cars and other vehicles illegally on streets, in yards, and on sidewalks, and consequently, remove blight and beautify the city of Marion.

Many community members came out in support of the ordinance. Linda Wilk, who serves on the Marion Board of Works and who lives in the downtown area, stated the ordinance will dissuade people from parking their boats on the city streets in an area where parking is always tough to find.

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An illegally parked vehicle in a front yard in Marion (Photo Credit - Code Enforcement Department).

Public safety committee begins process for scooter laws

By Sean Douglas

The Public Safety Committee, which includes Marion Common Council members Brian Cowgill and Robin Fouce, met on Tuesday to discuss a potential new ordinance regarding scooters in the city of Marion.

Ron Morell, a member of the Citizen Committee, stated that Marion should draw up its ordinance as Wabash did in order to keep those who operate the scooters, as

well as pedestrians, safe. In Wabash, scooters are only allowed on the streets, and are handled electronically with stickers that alert the rider, and the company who produced the scooter, if the scooter is not adhering to regulation.

Additionally, there are designated, blue parking zones for scooters to be left once the operator is finished using it or the time clock meter has run out. To use the scooter, riders must be 18 or

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