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DEATHS

Death Notices for Week of May 11-17
Joshua P. Colyer
1975-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Friday, May 14 at 7 p.m.

Donna J. Marley
1937-2021
Funeral services were held at Lighthouse Assembly of God, Marion, on Thursday, May 13 at 1 p.m. Burial followed at Park Cemetery, Fairmount.

Margaret Ann Caudill
1942-2021
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Friday, May 14 at 1 p.m. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

John Paul Sampson
1948-2021
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Saturday, May 15 at 12 noon.

Walter Rae Riddle
1971-2021
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Sunday, May 16 at 12 noon. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

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INDIANA QUIZ

Match the School to the City

1. DePauw University

2. Martin University

3. Bethel University

4. Taylor University

A. Mishawaka

B. Indianapolis

C. Upland

D. Greencastle

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MHS teacher is finalist for award

By Sean Douglas

Marion High School science teacher Kristi Phillippe has been named a finalist for the prestigious Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching — one of the highest teaching honors in the country. Each year up to three Indiana teachers in each category (math and science) are named as finalists and eligible for national recognition. These state finalists are acknowledged as outstanding teachers who serve as a

model and an inspiration to students and fellow teachers. “Kristi Phillippe is exceptional in her role here at MHS,” Marion High School Principal Keith Burke said in a statement. “She is a unicorn, she has it all. She is caring, compassionate, inspiring, and tough all at the same time. She is a model teacher and we are very proud of her.” Phillippe, a Marion High School graduate, has been a longtime educator at Marion Community Schools. After several years as a science

teacher, she served as assistant principal at both Allen Elementary and Kendall Elementary, schools, but chose to return to teaching because she wanted to continue to provide Marion students with excellent opportunities to explore the study of science and the wide range of careers to which it can lead. Over the last several years, she has taught science education every day at Marion High School while also administering a special summer STEM program for Marion students.



KRISTI PHILLIPPE

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Randall Miller speaks to the crowd during a meeting on the Charles Mill Dam. Photo by Ed Breen

Charles Mill dam's fate undecided

By Ed Breen

The fate of the Charles Mill dam on the Mississinewa River in Marion is still officially in doubt, but support for keeping it seems to be increasingly confined to those with a residential or sentimental attachment to it. That surfaced in a public hearing

last week in which a half-dozen governmental and environmental experts responded to questions from about 50 people who gathered at the bandshell at Matter Park less than a half-mile from the disputed dam. The hearing, at the outdoor band shell because of COVID distancing concerns, is the second in the past year and there will be at least one

more before any official action is taken to remove the 290-foot-wide concrete structure that was built in 1936. The dam, which is deteriorating and costs Marion city government about \$24,000 a year for debris removal, has been unused for about 75 years, ever since it ceased to be used to provide consistent water

flow to power the grain mill which sat on the east bank of the river at the dam, first known as Thomas Milling and later as Charles Mill. All that remains of the mill is the skeletal structure of the building that is now The Mill restaurant. There have been past discussions of removal, most recently in the Ron

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Campbell is longtime CASA volunteers

By Sean Douglas



SHARON CAMPBELL

One of the longest serving CASA volunteers, Sharon Campbell, an Indiana Wesleyan graduate and long-time Taylor University employee, has dedicated a large portion of her time to provide a voice for children, advocating for their best interests. Campbell, a Kansas native, moved to Indiana to attend Indiana Wesleyan

University. After graduation and marriage, Campbell settled in Marion in 1969. She then went on to work at Taylor University, where she has filled various roles for the past 20 years, starting in the Development department and ending the remainder of her Taylor tenure in the Alumni department, where she has worked in event planning and alumni engagement. Alongside her time at Taylor,

Campbell became a CASA volunteer over 30 years ago after reading an article about CASA of Grant County and the work that they do for the children of the area. Campbell always had a soft spot for children and thought that working as a CASA volunteer would be a great way to help those in need. Over her 30 years of service, Campbell has worked with over 30 children,

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