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DEATHS

June 15-21
Mary “Rosalie” Maddox 1926-2021
Funeral services were held at Liberty Baptist Church, Sweetser, on Friday, June 18, at 1 p.m. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

Eddie Dean Brown 1936-2021
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Thursday, June 17 at 12:30 p.m. Burial followed at Marion National Cemetery.

Mark Anthony Hazlett 1959-2021
At Hazlett’s request, there will be no public visitation or funeral service. Burial will take place at Grant Memorial Park at a later date.

Mary Jane Dill 1926-2021
Funeral services were held at Converse Church of Christ, Converse, on Friday, June 18 at 2 p.m. Burial followed at Converse Cemetery.

Connie L. McDonald 1938-2021
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Sunday, June 20 at 5 p.m. At McDonald’s request, she will be cremated.

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INDIANA QUIZ

1. What city in Knox County served as the Indiana Territorial Capital?
2. What city in Harrison County was the Indiana State Capital from 1816 - 1825?
3. Indiana has how many counties?
4. How many stars are on the Indiana State Flag?

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Supreme Court rules City of Marion may continue with YMCA case

By Ed Breen

The Supreme Court of the State of Indiana ruled last week that the City of Marion may continue its legal pursuit of what it believes to be illegal conduct by the Wayne Seybold administration in the Old YMCA case.

The court, in a unanimous decision Thursday, said decisions by then-Grant Superior Court 3 Judge Warren

Haas and later by the Indiana Court of Appeals in 2019 were incorrect when they concluded that the city’s legal action had come too late, that the “statute of limitations” had expired.

The essence of the decision of the court is contained in two paragraphs of the 23-page ruling, but the lengthy document delves more deeply than any previous court decision into what

was going on in Marion City government during the 12-year administration of Wayne Seybold from 2004 to 2016.

Written by Judge Mark Massa on behalf of the five judges, the findings conclude that the imposition of a deadline – statute of limitations — was improperly interpreted more than a year ago when Judge Haas ruled the case could not proceed

because it was filed too late to meet the legal requirements.

Several months later, the state’s court of appeals agreed with Haas and the case appeared to be dead.

The city decided to take its case to the Supreme Court because, it argued last November, the time limitations defied logic and were imposed at a time when no one in authority in the Sey-

bold administration would have had the inclination or authority to challenge the actions in court.

On the second legal point, the concept of “adverse domination,” the Supreme Court found that, indeed, appropriate legal action might have been impossible when Seybold was still in office and that the subsequent Jess Alumbaugh ad-

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Grant County 4-H Fair back to normal

By Sean Douglas

After holding just the 4-H portion of its annual summer attraction last year, the Grant County 4-H Fair was back in full swing last week, providing a week of delicious food, a plethora of livestock shows, carnival rides, and overall, an enjoyable experience for all.

The Grant County Fairgrounds had to undergo drastic changes last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But with a continuing return to normality, everyone, particularly 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator Kris Goff, was delighted to have a full crowd of people back at the venue each and every day.

“It’s gone really well for us,” 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator Kris Goff said. “It’s been a nice week. We’ve had a lot of people attending. I think

people are excited to be able to come back out to the fair to see the rides, see the food vendors, and go to all the 4-H shows. We are just excited to have a normal fair.”

After holding just the livestock shows one summer ago, the Fairgrounds were teeming with life. Rides returned, as well as many more food vendors, providing attendees with the usual Grant County Fairgrounds experience they’ve come to expect.

With so many events cancelled or changed last summer, Goff believed that the strong attendance this year was due to the fact that people were, simply, just ready to go back outside into the sunshine.

“During the evenings, we’ve had a pretty good crowd out here,” Goff said. “I think people just wanted to get out of their house.

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The Grant County 4-H Fair held all of its usual livestock shows, including cattle, swine, poultry, and many more. Photo by Sean Douglas

Peak Brain Center celebrates official opening

By Sean Douglas

After opening its doors less than one year ago, Peak Brain Centers celebrated its official grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday.

Peak Brain Centers, located on North Theatre Road in Marion, uses neurofeedback therapy to help those suffering from all sorts of symptoms caused by a malfunctioning brain, including behavioral problems, brain fog, migraines, anxiety and depression,

PTSD, post-concussion issues, sleeping problems, and many more.

“It’s exciting for us, for my partners and I,” Peak Brain Centers founder Tim Harris said. “We’re here, and we are ready to roll. We love the community and want to be here.”

Neurofeedback therapy is a non-invasive and pain free treatment that utilizes brain mapping technology, a diagnostic tool used to reveal patients’ underlying issues. Using a neurocap, an EEG

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Tim Harris (holding scissors) cuts the ribbon in front of Peak Brain Centers headquarters on North Theatre Ave. Photo by Sean Douglas