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STUDENTS TAPE PRINCIPAL TO WALL!

by Michael Morrissey

Since October, students and teachers at Maplewood Elementary undertook a drive to collect as many socks as they could to donate to local charities, with an unusual reward for the class that gathered the most socks to donate.

The drive was orchestrated by Maplewood 4th grade teacher, Kristy Owens, and her students. The winning classroom ended up being Stephanie Chambers' first-grade class, which was able to collect 137 pairs of socks for the drive. In total, the school gathered 507 pairs, according to Krista Stockman, Fort Wayne Community Schools' spokesperson.

In December, the socks were donated to the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission and Charis House, an arm of the Rescue Mission that focuses on helping homeless women and children.

The Rescue Mission, which has operated in Fort Wayne since 1903, notes that its mission is "to provide, through the power of Jesus Christ, a home for the homeless, food for the hungry, and hope for their future."

The agency is in the midst of building a new headquarters in downtown Fort Wayne. The new location, at the corner of Washington and Lafayette Streets, is expected to open in September 2020.

Folks at Maplewood school, located at 2200 Maplewood Road in Waynedale, knew that new, clean socks are one of the most requested items by those at the shelters, and



Maplewood Principal Alexandra Trevino gets duct taped to the wall by winning class who collected the most socks for charity.

decided to turn its drive into a competition to amp up the giving.

Teachers and administrators decided to see which class could donate the most socks. The winner - or the class that contributed the most socks - would get the prize of being able to duct tape the principle to a classroom wall.

And that incentive really lit a fire under the students' philanthropy, according to Maplewood Principal Alexandra Trevino.

Once the winner - Ms. Chambers' class - was determined, Trevino was led into one of the school's classrooms, and made to stand on a cardboard box against a wall.

"Ms. Owens and her class

helped cut the duct tape," Trevino said, "and then - one by one - the students came up and put the tape across me and stuck it onto the wall. After a while of doing that, they finally just moved the box, and there I was, just stuck to the wall," she said with a chuckle.

Trevino said the entire drive was not just a way to give local charities something they desperately need, but a teaching tool for her students, as well.

"This year, we've been talking a lot about community partnership," she said, "there's always a need for socks. And this is just a way for our students to learn more about citizenship and giving to others."

1920'S: WHAT WAS IT LIKE TO GROW UP A CENTURY AGO?

by Camille Garrison

I was always fascinated by the stories my 93-year-old Grandmother would share about her youth. I remember her telling us about the hobos that would visit her home near the railroad. Hobos were migrant workers or homeless vagrants who hopped trains moving from town to town looking for work. My great-grandmother would often give them a plate of food and they would sit outside on the back stoop to eat. Grateful hobos were known to have their own "language" and place an "easy mark" (a circle with an X in the center) on a fence near her home so that other hobos would know that the kind homeowner would provide a meal. Although mostly harmless, 97-year-old Waynedale resident Mary Marcella (Giant) Sorg, better known as Marcy, shared that her husband Tom's family always kept a shotgun by the front door just in case an unscrupulous hobo would drop by.

The 20's are defined as the Roaring ' Twenties, a time of Prohibition, the Jazz Age and the decade of industrial growth. But not so for the family of Harrison Hull who grew up with very little in a farmhouse in Dekalb County, near Waterloo and Butler, near Highway 6. Harrison said "We were so poor, the poor people felt sorry for us." His family raised potatoes and onions on muck, which for us non farmers is "really great soil, almost compost." They also raised chickens and hogs. Harrison recalls being a youngster during the cold butchering days. "Sometimes you get a good



Mary Marcella (Giant) Sorg



Harrison Hull

scald, sometimes you don't" was the saying. Once killed, hogs were scalded to get their hair off. Frankly, after hearing my grandmother's stories about plucking chickens, steaming feathers and these details about butchering pigs, I am pretty sure I would never have survived in those early days.

When Harrison was born, there was, in his words, "snow knee deep to a tall Indian". His dad hooked up a team of horses to a bobsled and met the Doctor on the highway and brought him in to deliver the baby. The Doctors name? Harrison of course! Fast forward 100 years later, as Harrison will celebrate his 100th birthday this month. He built his home on Thiele Road in 1956, long before Wayne High School was constructed.

The Hull family didn't get a flush toilet until Harrison was almost a teenager. Until then they used the privy or outhouse, one that featured three holes. I always thought the stories of using catalogs for toilet paper were hearsay,

but Harrison assured me that the Sears Roebuck harness section was glossy and very rough, whereas the rest of the catalog was the texture of newspaper and much softer. Marcy Sorg reminisces about having to brush the snow off the seats before sitting down, a memory her grandchildren find hard to fathom.

Although the Hull's didn't really celebrate Halloween, the family always worried that some mischievous kids might knock the privy over. At least until the WPA (Works Projects Administration) made outhouses with cement bases to keep them from toppling. Chamber or thunder pots (large bowls kept in the bedroom to save a nocturnal visit to the cold outhouse) were made of enamel or porcelain.

I also remember my Grandma and her tales of walking "miles in snow up to her knees to get to school". Harrison only walked a mile and a half to get to his one room schoolhouse. Proudly, Harrison was first from his family to graduate from high school since all of his eight siblings worked, every nickel earned going to support the family.

Marcy bounced back and forth between the one room schoolhouse #9 on Tillman Road and St. Louis Besancon School, depending on transportation. Each morning Miss Pearl handed the students their toothbrush from an oilcloth with pockets in it to brush their teeth.

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SAFETY ISSUES ON BLUFFTON ROAD BRIDGE PROMPT WEIGHT LIMIT

by Michael Morrissey

A recent inspection of the Bluffton Road Bridge has found safety issues that forced the city to issue new weight limits for the structure.

The new boundary sets a 12-ton maximum, as proscribed by Fort Wayne's City Engineers.

According to a recent release from the city, "City Engineers found maintenance concerns and hired an outside bridge inspector to take a closer look. The findings determined that the weight restriction needed to be in place."

The city already has posted signs displaying the new weight limit on the bridge over the St. Mary's River. City officials also have begun the process of applying for federal funding to help pay for upgrades to ensure the bridge's safety, according to Frank Suarez, City Spokesman.

"We found some issues with the bridge deck, which is the superstructure that holds the pavement that the cars travel on," said Shan Gunawardna, Fort Wayne Public Works Director. "The piers that actually go into the river are the substructure of the bridge." He said the firm hired to inspect the bridge was USI Engineering in Fort Wayne.

The bridge is still completely safe for automobiles, Gunawardna said, as the new limit is 12 tons, while the typical car weighs only about two tons. The new maximums will really only affect buses, smaller delivery

trucks, and larger semis and heavy industrial and commercial delivery vehicles, he noted.

Suggested alternate routes for larger vehicles include:

- Buses and smaller delivery trucks are asked to use Brooklyn Avenue, Taylor Street and Broadway Street to avoid the bridge.

- Larger semi trucks and heavy industrial commercial delivery trucks and vans should use Tillman Road, Lafayette, Clinton and U.S. 27 and Jefferson Boulevard to circumnavigate the bridge.

- The new limits likely will create headaches for many of the buses that normally use the bridge. Fort Wayne Community Schools' spokesperson Krista Stockman noted the detours will cause "major disruptions to our routes."

- The school system already has had to redraw more than 100 school bus routes that normally use the Bluffton Road Bridge, meaning many students in Waynedale will now

have different pick-up and drop-off times.

- City buses from Citilink likely will be impacted, as well. A spokesman for that service said bus passengers on the No. 1 route will now need to use the No. 3 and No. 9 routes to get to the same areas.

A similar weight restriction was enforced seven years ago on the Anthony Boulevard Bridge over the Maumee River after an inspection of that structure found similar problems. That bridge was closed entirely in September 2013, and reopened again in May 2014 after upgrades.

City officials expect the new weight limits to be in place for quite some time, as the city won't be able to receive federal funding for help to fix the bridge's problems for about five years, Gunawardna said.

"The project is already slated for federal funds," he said, "but they won't be available to us until July 2024."

VOLUNTEERS SUPPORT VETERANS WITH HOLIDAY GIFT BAGS

Co-written by Beulah Matczak

Community volunteers and sponsors helped to bring joy and much needed supplies to veterans over the holidays by preparing and distributing holiday giftbags at homeless veterans' shelters, Liberty Landing and Safe Haven. Volunteers who assisted with this effort were Cheryl Connett, Betty Williams, Diana West, Mike Day, Brenda Woodward, Dawn Gilreath, Dale Wilson, Alvin Konishi, Sam and Beulah Matczak.

This effort was sponsored by generous donations by Public Service Credit Union, First Source Bank, Walmart, Kroger, Darlington Warehouse, Yes Automotive, J. Medical, Playfair Inc., Willow Creek Apts., Hair Affair, United Auto Workers, G.M.I. In-



urance, Marine Corps Detachment #1435. Richard & Mary Ann Bailey, Donna Strahm, Mike Day, Brenda Woodward, Dawn Gilreath, Beulah and Sam Matczak.

The 4th District American Legion Auxiliary also donated \$1000 to Liberty Landing and Safe Haven.

Beulah Matczak, primary organizer of this event would like to extend a big thank you to all who helped with this effort and also the Southwest Fire District Station #1 for allowing use of their training room to fill the Christmas bags.

RACE FOR THE WARRIOR

Looking to participate in your first 5K or 10K race? Love to walk with your furry friends? Are you a seasoned runner looking for a new challenge? Or,

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Saturday, April 25th, 2020 at 9 a.m., the Northeast Indiana Base Community Council will host its 6th Annual Race for the Warrior 5K/10K runway race at the Fort Wayne International Airport. Here you can celebrate in patriotic style by running, walking, rucking, or even riding a pedal trolley down the same airstrips that used to service more than 100,000 military personnel during World War II.

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female age groups and overall winners.

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Race packet pickup will be held Friday, April 24th from 4-7 p.m. at Fleet Feet and the day of the race at the registration area starting at 7 a.m.

The Race for the Warrior is a fundraiser that supports the Northeast Indiana Base Community Council's Military Support Fund and other year-round programs for members of all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces, Veterans and military families.

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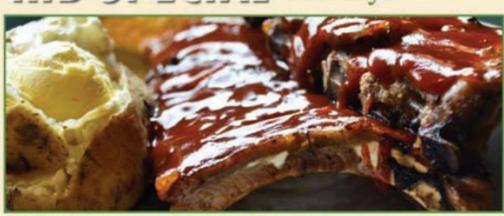
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GROWING UP A CENTURY AGO

by Camille Garrison

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They also each had their own comb, tucked in a separate oilcloth in case their hair got mussed. They recited the Pledge of Allegiance every day. The neighbors would bring them buckets of water and each student had a cup with their name on it.

Marcy recalls that whenever they heard the rumble of the loud engine of a plane approaching, the teacher would have the students all stand, fold their hands in prayer and recite this poem: "God keep you birdman, in your plane up there, with your wings a bare. May you have good flight, oversight, and bring you back safe to Earth again. Amen."

Harrison was eight or nine when he saw his first plane. It was in a field and a barnstormer was earning money by giving rides. He knew then that when he grew up, he wanted to be an Airplane "Driver" (he didn't know the word for pilot). He served in WWII as Crew Chief for the P47 Fighter Squadron from before Pearl Harbor until after war. Because he was color blind, he was unable to become pilot during the war. However, he did realize his dream when he obtained his pilot's license in 1947.

The 1920's also reflected a rapid increase in production of cars. The Hull family did have a horse and buggy for short trips but drove their 1923 Model T when they went into town. As no license was required at that time, Harrison started driving when he was 14. They later got a 1927 Dodge Sedan. Although she doesn't recall the make and model of their family car, Marcy remembers having to snap the window coverings on the car in the winter and cranking the engine to get it started.

Harrison states that the icemen wouldn't deliver to farmhouses, therefore they did not have an "icebox." They used cold water from the well to keep things refrigerated but most often just planned meals so there were no leftovers. With eight siblings, I'm surprised they even had any leftovers! They existed mainly on potatoes, onions and beans which you could buy 3 pounds for 10 cents. Bean soup was known as "Hull's dessert". Marcy's family stored their perishables on the steps in the cellar where it was nice and cool.

When in his teens, Harrison worked after school five days a week and all day on Saturday at a local market. He earned \$2 for the full day on Saturday. He also worked chopping cotton, making \$1 a day. He would thin it out, cutting out the smaller ones leaving the taller healthy ones. Back then, a good job for a grown man was a rate of 20 cents an hour.

The Hull's kept warm due to the heating stove. With no heat to the bedrooms, at night they heated flat irons and wrapped them in towels to keep their feet warm.

Perhaps due to her dad being a Township Trustee, the Giant family was in a little better position. They had a furnace that they kept stocked with wood that heated the house with registers in each room.

Although electricity came about in the 20's, Harrison shared they didn't have it and relied on kerosene and Coleman lanterns (gas pumped up with pressure) for lights. They had a one-cylinder gasoline engine to power their washing machine and every Monday was wash day.

Finger waves in your hair may have been the rage in the 20's. But Marcy recalls her mother putting her hair up in rags to make curls. She would wind the hair around a length of rag and sleep on it. Marcy tried to duplicate it on her cousin but instead wound the rag around the strand of hair and failed miserably. Either way, it certainly was not comfortable to sleep on.

Bath time for Harrison was always on Saturday night in preparation for church on Sunday. There is a saying about "don't throw out the baby with the bath water." It came about because the tub would get filled and the men would go first, followed by the women and children and by the time it got down to the baby, the water was so dirty, you couldn't see through it. Harrison said he wouldn't know because he always ran and hid when they brought out the #3 galvanized washtub! Marcy said that using a white wash pan and warm water from the reservoir on the stove, they normally just took "sponge baths".

Children were left to their own creativity to amuse themselves. Harrison and his siblings played "funeral". One sister would play the organ, the rest of the kids were the grieving attendees, and his brother played the role of corpse. Until the time when his sister went to the cistern and soaked a rag with water, walked past the "casket" and proceeded to wring the rag out over the corpse with her "tears". His brother never consented to be corpse again.

Harrison also played baseball using a flat board that they fashioned into a bat and a rubber ball. The bases were whatever happened to be handy. Marcy states that the game Red Light Green Light was a favorite of theirs growing up.

Because the average cost was \$150, Harrison's family did not own a radio until he was in his teens even though they became quite popular in the 1920's. Radio broadcasts included newscasts, weather reports, popular classical and jazz music, sporting events, and stock market updates. Comedy, music and variety shows became a great favorite of listeners especially Amos 'n' Andy, the Eveready Hour and the Grand Ole Opry.

Everyone helped around the farm. Chores included getting the hay down from the upstairs haymow to feed the stock, helping in the garden and bringing up the

cows from pasture. Marcy would hold the reins of the horses who were pulling the pulley to lower the hay. This wasn't her favorite job as she was always skittish around the animals.

Harrison said at Christmas the house was festively decorated with tissue paper bells and paper ribbon strung to the corners of the room. According to both Harrison and Marcy, fresh fruit such as oranges and bananas were considered special treats, and typically only received at Christmastime.

The Depression began when the stock market crashed on Black Tuesday, October 29, 1929. Harrison remembers all the things he did without. He states "You can get by on almost nothing if you don't have much." Marcy agreed, sharing that you couldn't get many foods and you didn't waste anything. At her farm, three or four rows of field corn would always disappear as the hobos helped themselves.

Tom and Marcy Sorg had 11 children; six girls and five boys. She is a proud grandmother of 45 and the great grands total over 90 in number. She feels that the change that made the biggest impact during her lifetime was the Women's Liberation Movement. Not that Marcy didn't agree with equal rights for women. But she believes that women leaving the home to work changed family dynamics and how children were raised. As someone who has a passion for living life to its fullest and built a family based on love and faith, she has always felt blessed.

Harrison has lived through many changes in his 99+ years as well. When he made the radical career change from flying to life insurance, he wasn't too sure. But he says it was proved to be a smart move, providing the resources, peace and security he has enjoyed in his retirement. He is the proud father of two sons, Wayne (Shirley) and Ken (Myrna). He boasts four grandchildren; one girl and three boys. First Missionary Church has been a foundation in the life of their family. He attributes part of his longevity to the loving care his late wife Becky gave him. The other part is that he grew up in a Christian home. He states "That upbringing was invaluable, worth everything. It provided a positive pattern for the entire family. We didn't have much, but we had love. I have been blessed; God has been good to me."

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When: Mondays Feb. 3, March 2, 6:30p
Add'l: With 26,000 children currently in need, the demand for families is greater than ever. The Villages of Indiana hosts free foster parent information sessions in Ft. Wayne. If you've ever thought of becoming a foster parent—join us to learn more.
Contact: 260-423-6676 for information/ registration.

CORNHOLE & EUCHRE TOURNAMENT
When: Sat. Feb. 8
Where: Fort Wayne Sport Club, 3102 Ardmore Ave.
Add'l: Doors open at 5pm, signup starts at 5:30p, play starts at 6pm. \$15 entry fee includes brats, hot dogs, & snacks.
Cost: \$15
Contact: Phil Wisniewski 260-515-1695

FORT WAYNE SOUP
When: Thursdays Feb. 20, May 14, July 16, Sept. 3
Where: The Summit, 1025 W. Rudisill Blvd.
Add'l: This is a micro-grant community dinner that uses crowd funding to help launch creative projects aimed to enhance Fort Wayne.
Cost: \$5 a ticket at fortwaynesoup.org/event

CANCER SERVICES COMEDY NIGHT
When: Sat. Feb. 22, 7p
Where: Sweetwater, 5501 US-30, 46818
Add'l: Join Cancer Services for a night of laughs and fundraising. Guests will enjoy plentiful appetizers, a cash bar, an exciting raffle, the Jokerster Competition and a performance from headlining comedian Josh Sneed.
Cost: General admission is \$50 and VIP is \$75.
Contact: Keiara Carr, kcarr@cancer-services.org

ROARING 20'S WORLD FAIRE FUNDRAISER
When: Sat. Feb. 15, 4-10p
Where: Freemasons Hall
Add'l: The event is not one to be missed, with all kinds of live entertainment and "side shows" throughout the 6 hour evening. All money raised will support the local nonprofits work, to keep hands-on restoration projects free to the public. *Cost:* \$8 Pre-Sale, \$10 General Admission tickets at the door, \$30 - V.I.P. Lounge. See savamaumee.org/worldfairefundraiser/ for more info.

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When: Sun. March 15, 9a-4p
Where: Allen County Fair Grounds
Cost: Free

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When: Mon. March 23
Where: Purdue FW
Add'l: Come learn and connect with the NE Indiana local food community. More details at neifood.org
Cost: Free
Contact: Janet@NEifood.org

WEIGHT-LOSS SUPPORT GROUP
When: Mondays, 3pm
Where: Waynedale United Methodist Church
Add'l: Members learn about nutrition, portion control, meal planning, exercise and more at weekly meetings. Consistent group support, health education and recognition are all key components to successful weight management. In fact, TOPS members collectively lose nearly 300 tons of weight each year.
Contact: Nora Noll 260-435-1787

MOM OF AN ADDICT GROUP MEETINGS
When: Tuesdays, 6:30p
Where: The Chapel
Add'l: Support group for parents and grandparents who have a child struggling with substance use disorder, more commonly referred to as addiction. www.themomofanaddict.com

APPLESEED QUILT GUILD MEETINGS
When: First Tuesday each month, 6:30p
Where: Classic Café Event Center, 4832 Hillegas Rd.
Add'l: Our members include all levels of quilting experience — novice, intermediate and advanced. If you want to meet other quilters, do charity projects, learn to quilt or discover new quilting techniques. Come join us for quilting fun! Guests are welcome to attend three meetings without paying dues, which are \$30.00 for the year.

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When: The 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month 7-8:30 p
Where: First Presbyterian Church, Room 303
Add'l: We have all lived with depression and feel we can help others with our lived experience and with the use of literature.
Cost: free
Contact: Marilee Stroud 260-312-6069

FT WAYNE CHRISTIAN WRITERS GUILD
When: 4th Tues of each month, 6:00p-7:30ish
Where: Waynedale Public Library, 2200 Lower Huntington Rd. 46819
Why: To share news, encouragement & knowledge about writing.
Add'l: No cost. All levels of writers encouraged to attend.
Contact: Kayleen Reusser 260-273-9264

PREMIER WOMEN'S NETWORKING
When: First Tues of month.
Call for details.
Who: Cheryl Friar
Add'l: Bring plenty of business cards
Contact: 260-747-5202

MONTHLY MEETING
Who: Disorderly Bear Den
When: 2nd Thurs of month 6:30p
Where: Community Center, 233 W. Main Street
What: We are a non-profit, public charity that collects and gives away teddy bears and other stuffed animals to those in need. We do this all year and always need new or gently used animals of all types. All donations may be tax deductible on your personal income tax and are greatly appreciated.
Contact: 260-409-9886

LITTLE RIVER RAMBLERS
Who: Little River Wetlands Project
When: Tuesdays, 9a-11a
Where: Boy Scout Office 8315 W. Jefferson Blvd.
Cost: Free
Info: Explore the preserve's interesting plants and wildlife
Contact: 260-478-2515

ME-'N-U COMMUNITY MEALS
Who: Aldersgate
When: Thursdays, 6p-7p
Where: Aldersgate Community, 2417 Getz Road
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When: First Thurs, 10a
Where: Waynedale Library 2200 Lwr Huntington Rd.
Who: Alzheimers Association
Note: Meetings are confidential and free of charge
Contact: 260-494-9299

THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSN.
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Bonnie Krill; sisters, Judith Krill, Karen Krill-Long and Marilyn Krill. The family encourages attendees to honor Diana's favorite color of Purple. Funeral was on Saturday, December 28, 2019 at 10:30 AM at First Assembly of God Church, 1400 West Washington Center Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46825 with visitation one hour prior. Visitation was also on Friday, December 27, 2019 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at Elzey-Patterson-Rodak Home For Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46809. Burial was at Greenlawn Memorial Park. Memorials are to Visiting Nurse Hospice of Fort Wayne or First Assembly of God Church. Condolences for the family may be left at elzey-patterson-rodakfuneralhome.com

Diana J. (Krill) McIntosh, 73, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday, December 21, 2019 at Miller's Merry Manor. She was born December 3, 1946 in Fort Wayne as a premature baby with Larsen's Syndrome (A skeletal/muscular condition which can include scoliosis, club feet and hands, and dislocated hips and knees). Although Diana fought an uphill physical battle her whole life, she was able to live a successful traditional life. Meaning Diana learned to walk, run (a kind of funny gallop), ride a bike (with training wheels), drive a car, have a job, get married and give birth to 2 babies. She graduated from Elmhurst High School and International Business College and worked at Lincoln Life before marriage. Diana was married to Bob McIntosh on December 5, 1969 for nearly 38 years till his death on September 17, 2007. Before it became too difficult to get around in her body that was 20 years older than she was, Diana was active in her church. She sang in and was also secretary for the choir as well as helping out in the church office. Diana also published a family newsletter called the Dellagram for many years. She enjoyed the annual 4th of July party at her brother's house, family get-togethers and reunions, and spending time with her grandchildren when she could. Diana was loved by many relatives and friends. Surviving are her daughter, Jill McIntosh of Portland, OR; son, Glen (Julie) McIntosh of Dexter, MI; brother, Don (Yvonne) Krill of Hoagland; grandchildren, Arielle Turiff, Deputy Sherriff Preston McIntosh, both of Wisconsin, Austin McIntosh and Katie McIntosh, both of Dexter, MI; seven nephews and several grand nieces and nephews; former daughter-in-law Traci McIntosh of Wisconsin; her good friend Helen Ball of Fort Wayne; and her cat of 18 1/2 years, Tinker now living in Ohio. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob; parents, Maurice and



parents, step-father Alfred Burkland, his wife Joan Klenke, brothers Kenneth Klenke and Darwin Klenke, a sister Eileen Graf, a son Richard Wayne and grandson Andrew Richard Roth. Celebration of Life service was held on Friday January 3, 2020 at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, 1819 Reservation Drive in Fort Wayne, IN, at 4:00 pm with one hour calling before the service. Calling was also on Thursday January 2, 2020 from 2-4 and 6-8 at the church. Burial was at Covington Memorial Gardens at a later date. Memorials are requested to Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, 1819 Reservation Drive in Fort Wayne and Visiting Nurse, 5910 Homestead Road in Fort Wayne. Arrangements by D.O. McComb and Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home 1140 Lake Ave Fort Wayne, IN. To sign the online guestbook go to www.mccombandsons.com.



Doug "Double D" Dalberg, 61, passed away on Sunday, January 12, 2020. Doug was born November 4, 1958 in Janesville, Wisconsin, a son of the late Lyle and Beverly (Gutweiler) Dalberg. He retired from General Motors in 2008 and most recently worked as a quality manager at Custom Tube. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle, drinking beer, having fun, and spending time with his family. Surviving family include his dog, Emily; daughter, Destiny Dalberg; step-daughter, Katie (Joshua) Geary; brother, David Dalberg; many cousins; one nephew, Kyle, and his mother, Helen. Beside his parents, he was preceded in passing by his daughter, Stacy Lawrence. A celebration of life gathering will be from 12-6 p.m. on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at Eagles #248, 4940 Bluffton Rd., Fort Wayne, Indiana (46809). Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.elzey-patterson-rodakfuneralhome.com

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FUNDRAISING SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN ENTERING FOSTER CARE

The City of Fort Wayne joins the Boys & Girls Clubs of Fort Wayne and the national non-profit organization Comfort Cases to announce a month-long fundraising effort to provide support for local children entering the foster care system.

For this donation drive, Comfort Cases is soliciting donations of new, unused backpacks and items such as new pajamas, blankets, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, coloring books, journals and much more. For a complete list of items, visit www.comfortcases.org. Donations will be accepted at Citizens Square, 200 E. Berry St., January 7 - February 7, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Look for

the donation barrels located in the Citizens Square lobby. Monetary donations will also be accepted from January 7 - January 24 at www.comfortcases.org/ftwayne or by mailing a check to: Comfort Cases, 15825 Shady Grove Road, Ste. 60, Rockville, MD 20850.

Annabella Brown, a sophomore at Canterbury High School, who also holds the title of Miss South Central Outstanding Teen, contacted Robert Scheer, Founder and CEO of the national non-profit organization Comfort Cases because she wanted to help foster children. Annabella first heard of Scheer on The Ellen Show when he explained that foster children often carry their personal belongings in trash

bags when transitioning to a new home. She was determined to bring Comfort Cases to northeast Indiana. "For me, a Comfort Case isn't just a bag. It creates an opportunity for kids to find a forever home and a sense of belonging," said Annabella Brown.

Founded in 2013, Comfort Cases' mission is to inspire communities to bring dignity and hope to youth in foster care. The charity provides kids in foster care with a brand new backpack and duffel bag to replace the trash bag that so many are asked to pack in as they enter the system. Each Case is packed with brand new items such as pajamas, a blanket, a stuffed animal, toiletries, books, and other essentials.

KNOX ELECTED AS TRUSTEE

Voice Of The Township

by SuzAnne Runge, Director of Communications, Wayne Township Trustee Office

On Friday, January 10, 2020, Austin Knox was unanimously elected Wayne Township trustee at a caucus of Democratic precinct committee leaders of the township. This followed Richard Stevenson's retirement from the post last month which he had held for a thirteen-year tenure.

Knox has served as deputy trustee for the past two and a half years and believes in the mission of Trustee Stevenson, which has been to treat every citizen who comes to the township with dignity and respect and to always give the client the benefit of the doubt. In an interview following his election Mr. Knox said, "I love what we do at Wayne Township, and I'm ready to pick up where Trustee Stevenson left off."

Mr. Knox is a Fort Wayne native who graduated from IPFW with a degree in political science. He had earlier transferred from Trine University where he played wide-receiver for their football team. Mr. Knox grew up in a close-knit family of teachers and sports enthusiasts.

His grandfather, Tom Knox, was a well-known basketball referee in Fort Wayne who instilled sportsman-like values in his grandchildren. This background is reflected in Austin's team-building approach to his supervision of the Wayne Township staff.

In his first staff meeting as trustee, Mr. Knox emphasized that every employee is equally valuable to the operation and deserves the same respect as every other employee. As someone who came up through the ranks (hiring in and working as an investigator for his first two years), Mr. Knox is respected for his fairness and his deep understanding of the work done at the township. As deputy trustee, he was also known for his willingness to pitch in wherever help was needed. For example, to save the township money he led a team of staff and workfare members who did much of the manual labor tearing out and replacing the well-established shrubbery along the north face of the township office building.



Mr. Knox, like his predecessor, is detail-oriented and fueled by a desire to research and understand the law and the Indiana Township Association guidelines before finalizing decisions. "We first want to help those who need it, but we never want to forget that it is taxpayer's money we are responsible for," he says.

The staff at Wayne Township wants to welcome our new trustee, Austin Knox, and wish him the best as he leads us on to a bright future of providing a helping hand to those citizens wishing to move from assistance to independence.

FLU PROMPTS VISITOR RESTRICTIONS AT HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

Public health officials are recommending temporary visitation restrictions for area hospitals, healthcare facilities and nursing homes in response to recent increased flu activity. Allen County Health Commissioner, Dr. Deborah McMahan, is advising healthcare facilities impose the following restrictions to help protect patients, visitors and staff:

- Anyone coming to a healthcare facility for treatment who has cold- or flu-like symptoms (such as fever, cough or muscle aches) should wear a mask while in public areas, including waiting rooms.
- No visitors under the age of 18 and no visitors of any age with flu-like symptoms should be allowed to visit patients.
- Visitors should be limited to two essential adults (at least 18-years-old) per patient - essential adults could include designated family members, spouse/domestic partner or spiritual counselors.
- Anyone not allergic to the flu vaccine should be vaccinated.

Recommendations were prompted by the continued uptick in influenza-like illness locally. The more common strains of the virus now being reported are influenza A/H1N1 and influenza B/Victoria, which seem to be covered well by this season's vaccine, Dr. McMahan said.

Restrictions are recommended to curb unintentional exposure of patients in hospitals, nursing homes or any other confined settings while the community is experiencing widespread influenza transmission. Influenza can spread during the incubation period - when a person has been exposed and no symptoms are present, but the virus is actively multiplying in his or her body.

Visitor guidelines are similar to those implemented in previous years, and healthcare facilities may have additional restrictions in certain areas as needed. Anyone with questions about restrictions should call the hospital, healthcare facility or nursing home they plan to visit before arriving. Flu activity will be monitored by health officials throughout the season to determine the best time to lift visitor restrictions.

In addition to the temporary restrictions on visitors, the Department also recommends all residents do the following to minimize flu transmission:

- Get vaccinated. All residents 6 months and older should be vaccinated against influenza, as well as pneumonia and pertussis (if recommended) unless there are



known allergies to these vaccines. Flu shots are available at many local pharmacies. Vaccines can also be obtained by scheduling an appointment at the Allen County Department of Health Medical Annex, or visiting local Super Shot locations, urgent care clinics or primary care providers' offices.

- Stay home if you are sick. All residents experiencing fever and muscle aches should stay home from school, work, shopping or other social gatherings until they have no fever for 24 hours without the benefit of fever reducing medications. Stock up on items needed for comfort and hydration before getting sick to avoid further flu spread. If treatment is needed, consider contacting your primary care physician's office or healthcare facility of choice first to see if there is a telemedicine option available. Remember antiviral medications are most effective if given within the first 48 hours of symptoms.

- Wash your hands frequently. Use soap and warm water whenever possible; if not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer to clean hands.

- Cover your cough and sneeze with a tissue. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, not your hands.

- Wear a mask if needed. Patients with cough or fever seeking treatment at a healthcare facility should ask for a mask to wear.

Influenza can also exacerbate chronic health conditions - like lung or heart disease and diabetes - and easily morph into bacterial pneumonia. Anyone with chronic health conditions who develops a fever should contact their doctor immediately. And remember to check in frequently with elderly loved ones and neighbors, especially if they live alone.

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WORLD WETLANDS DAY EVENTS

Wetlands—swamps, marshes and other wet areas—are now thought to be the cradle of life on earth, as scientists are increasingly demonstrating through research. About 40% of all species of wildlife live or breed in wet areas, and wetlands contribute to our clean water supply by absorbing, storing and filtering water. About 87% of the world's wetlands have been lost in the last 300 years, and the remaining wetlands face increasing threats.

World Wetlands Day, held around the globe the first weekend in February, celebrates the significant contribution wetlands make to our planet's health. In the Fort Wayne area, several local organizations have partnered to create a full day of family-friendly events for World Wetlands Day, which will be held Saturday, February 1.

The organizations have planned a variety of educational activities for the day, ranging from hikes to presentations and a seed-starting workshop. Participants can pick up a passport at any event, which can be entered into a prize drawing later in the day. Most of the events are free of charge:

- Wetland activities from 10 am to 5 pm in the Children Services Department at the Main Branch of the Allen County Public Library, 900 Library Plaza, Fort Wayne.
- Wetland plants and animals hike at 10 am through the Tom and Jane Dustin Nature Preserve, sponsored by ACRES Land Trust. The preserve is located at 1802 Chapman Road, Huntertown.



Volunteers of Little River Wetlands Project gathered at Hop River Brewing Co. to clean and package seeds that will be distributed to partnering school and organization greenhouses.

- "Wetlands at work" hike starts at noon at Camp Scott, a wetland area in the city created to store and treat stormwater runoff. Located at 3615 Oxford St, Fort Wayne. Sponsored by the City of Fort Wayne and the Allen County Partnership for Water Quality.
- Wetland seed propagation workshop will show participants how to grow native wetland plants from seeds. Starts at 1:30 pm at Little River Wetlands Project office, 5000 Smith Road, Fort Wayne.
- Swamp forests and prairie openings hike with Allen County Parks naturalist Jeff Ormiston starts at 3:30 pm at the Vera Dulin Wildlife Observation Center, Fox Island

County Park, 7324 Yohne Road, Fort Wayne. Admission to Fox Island is \$2/person, with children under age 7 free.

- "Wetlands: Engines of Biodiversity" presentation by Purdue University biology professor Dr. Bruce Kingsbury. Held at 7 pm at the Environmental Resources Center, Purdue Fort Wayne, 2101 E. Coliseum Blvd., Fort Wayne.

"As our name indicates, our organization has a specific focus on wetlands, so we started celebrating World Wetlands Day several years ago," said Amy Silva, Little River Wetlands Project Executive Director. "This year, we wanted to broaden the event to include other local organizations involved with environmental issues, and the full day of events is the result of that collaboration."

A nonprofit land trust, Little River Wetlands Project restores and protects wetlands in the watershed of the Little River, a tributary of the Wabash River. LRWP's project area encompasses more than 140,000 acres in Allen and Huntington Counties, Indiana.

WHAT'S IN STORE FOR US IN 2020?

by Vince LaBarbera

It's hard to believe we're living in the year 2020 (MMXX)! It's a leap year in the Gregorian calendar containing 366 days with February 29 as the extra day. It's also an Olympic year with summer games in Tokyo. This new year, in fact, is marked with great significance.

The expression "20/20" is so commonplace in the United States there's even been a TV newsmagazine named after it since 1978. The show's name and other references derive from the "20/20" measurement of visual acuity. By looking at lots of people, eye doctors decided what a "normal" human being should be able to see when standing 20 feet away from an eye chart. If you have 20/20 vision, it means when you stand 20 feet away from the chart you can see what the "normal" human being can see. There's also the saying that "hindsight is 20/20" meaning when you look back at things in the past, because you have the benefit of knowing the future so to speak, you can see what you couldn't see back when you made your initial decision.

Not since 1919, have we had a double-digit year. And there won't be another one until 2121 - 101 years from now.

Was 1919 a good double-digit year? Many historians today summarize 1919 as one of the worst years in 20th century American history. World War I was over and most Americans were eager for peace and security; however, 1919 would prove to be anything but. Revolution and unrest ran rampant across Europe and North America, and the Flu Pandemic continued in the U.S. from the prior year with a third brutal wave in the spring that took the lives of 185,440 people. Terrorist bombings shocked seven U.S. cities in June, the first of a series of "Red Scares" began when the government passed an act that blacklisted anyone thought to be involved with communism, race riots rocked the nation and hundreds of workers went on strike across the country. The adoption of constitutional amendments giving women the vote and establishing Prohibition denoted the high-water mark of the moral impulses

of the Progressive era.

In addition, voters grew disillusioned during the Woodrow Wilson years, with many feeling the President and the Progressives went too far, alienating people from the government. And even though WWI had ended, anxious citizens questioned the reasons and results of the war.

Even in the sports world, on Oct. 9, 1919, the first major scandal in Major League Baseball -- and to this day, the worst -- occurred when nine players from the Chicago White Sox threw the World Series to the Cincinnati Reds. It is forever known as the Black Sox Scandal with players, such as immortal Shoeless Joe Jackson, banned from the game and Hall of Fame forever.

On a brighter note, dial telephones were introduced by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company with the first rotary dial telephones in the Bell System installed in Norfolk, Virginia. The pop-up toaster, short wave radios and arc welders also were invented in the U.S.

After looking at 1919, the year 2020 seems futuristic and awesome. A century ago, no one could have predicted it would kick off a half century of unprecedented productivity.

Current future forecasters say 2020 will include driverless cars becoming mainstream. But while that idea still seems like science fiction, experts predict there will be 10 million of them on the road in 2020. And, are we ready for moon mining with maybe robotic moon bases, chips implanted in our brains and a high-speed rail linking London to Beijing? According to a dazzling number of technology predictions that single out the year 2020, it may be

one heck of a year! Let's take a look at what some prognosticators say are some of the other wonders that may be in store for us in the new year.

Predictors say there's no technological reason why Japan shouldn't be able to move forward with its ambitious plan to build a robotic lunar outpost in 2020 -- built by robots, for robots. And the U.S. military has pledged to get half its energy from renewable resources this year. Universal translation will be commonplace in mobile devices, there will be advances in artificial organs and 3D-video conferencing, while a \$1,000 computer will have the processing power of the human brain. And once we have such a computer, can we build a complete synthetic human brain from scratch? Researchers at Switzerland's Blue Brain Project think so.

In 2020, forecasters also predict world sales of electric vehicles will reach 6,600,000; solar energy will become more economical than regular electricity in more than half of the U.S., more people, in fact, will own a phone than have electricity; and the world's population is forecasted to reach 7,758,156,000.

Finally, here are some hilarious predictions about the year 2020 that at some point in time, people really expected to happen: We'll have personal helicopters, live in flying houses, all roads will become tubes, nobody will work because everyone will be rich, mail will be sent via rocket, we'll be able to vote electronically from home, have robots as therapists, everyone will be a vegetarian and we'll finally make it to Mars.

We would not go as far as to say that future is now, but the potential is undeniably there.

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