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TODAY'S VERSE

For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.
- Matthew 7:2

FACES OF MONTGOMERY

People who call our community their own.



Trisha
Trisha Teague, Darlington, was caught smiling while celebrating the 92nd birthday of the local VFW. Trisha and her husband, Rick, own The Pizza Shop in Darlington and generously donated all you can eat pizza for the special occasion.

THREE THINGS You Should Know:

1 Today is the last full day to vote in our weekly non-scientific poll. This week we dove into the muck and mud that is the Indiana Senate race and asked which candidate (including the Democrat and independent) you favor. The results might surprise you. So far, more than half of all respondents say they are voting for Todd Rokita. The Democrat Joe Donnelley is second at 17 percent with Mike Braun next at 11 percent, independent Nathan Altman at 8 percent and Luke Messer at 5. What say you? You have until early tomorrow morning to vote and then the new weekly question will be up. Find out more at www.thepaper24-7.com and scroll down the home page. Once you find the poll and vote, the latest, up-to-the-second results will be visible. And then be sure to log in every Saturday morning for the new question.

2 Yes, journalists draw a lot of ire - much of it deserved. However, a Turkish court sentenced a group of journalists and employees working for a Turkish opposition newspaper on terrorism-related charges. They were arrested after a failed 2016 coup. Thousands who were said to have been involved in the coup were arrested or at the very least fired from their jobs. Some say the whole thing was an attack on the news media for choosing the wrong side. Let's hope it never gets that bad here.

3 Vice President Mike Pence joined Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb in announcing about 1,000 new jobs in Indianapolis with the company Infosys. The company is working on the site of the old Indianapolis airport and plans to employ around 3,000 people in Indiana within about five years.

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Thirty inducted to honor society



Thirty students were recently inducted into the West Central Indiana Technical Honor Society at Southmont. Representatives from West Central Indiana Career and Technical District were in attendance. Those representatives include Superintendents, Principals, Counselors and Aides from Crawfordsville, North Montgomery, Southmont and Western Boone. The event coincided with the Career and Technical Education awards night. Pictured are the inductees into the honor society, with the exception of Addie Elyzabeth Laskowski.

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Wabash junior earns 2018 Dream Award

Wabash College
Wabash College junior Miguel Aguirre Morales is the recipient of Scholarship America's 2018 Dream award for the 2018-19 school year. Aguirre-Morales is one of 12 students nationally to earn the award, which covers the full cost of attendance for students who have overcome barriers and have successfully started their collegiate careers. "It's exciting," said the Donna, Texas, native. "This scholarship gives me the ability to focus on my one internship this summer. It also gives me a lot more flexibility and freedom to enjoy my last year at Wabash." A biology major with a double minor in chemistry and mathematics, Aguirre-Morales will be interning this summer with the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, based in Edgewater, Md. While there, he will

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Officials explain tax abatements

By Cheryl Morpew
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Editor's Note: This is the fifth in the ongoing series about collaborative economic and community development efforts between the City of Crawfordsville, County Commissioners, and County Redevelopment Commission. This month we explain property tax abatement, a very common incentive tool used to attract new industry and assist with growth of existing industry.

In some communities across Indiana there is an ongoing misunderstanding of property tax abatement, how it's used and its impact on the community. Many times, there are rumors that a community "is giving away the

farm" or that the "company won't be paying any property tax" when a company is granted property tax abatement. It is our hope the following will dispel those rumors and help clarify how the use of property tax abatement actually benefits a community.

When a prospective company is considering a specific city or town, they consider a number of criteria. As we discussed in previous articles, today the number one criteria is availability of labor. Beyond that, search criteria can include quality of place, access to utility infrastructure and key transportation,

and nearly always the types of incentives the community can (and is willing) to consider. Property tax abatement is the most common of incentive tools and in most cases today, considered an expectation that a community will offer it.

So what exactly is property tax abatement? First, it is defined and governed by Indiana Statute, meaning local governments must follow certain guidelines when using this economic development tool. Second, it is not a payment to the company, rather it allows for the yearly

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Call ahead for flags for vets

The Paper
Anyone putting up flags on veterans' graves in Montgomery County cemeteries should call Steve Middleton at (765) 362-5791. The requested information should include your name, phone number, name of cemetery and number of flags needed to update records. Flags can be picked up on Tuesday, May 1 at the American Legion Post 72.



HONEST HOOSIER

The Giver is worth seeing and it's at the Vanity this weekend. Don't miss out. What a treat!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Teach your kids to eat healthier by having them help pack their school lunch. Not packing a lunch? Many schools keep track of what kids are picking out in the lunch line - ask to review it.



Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"If all difficulties were known at the outset of a long journey, most of us would never start out at all."
William F. Buckley, Jr.

TODAY'S JOKE

What's green and cries in the corner?
The Incredible Sulk!

OBITUARIES

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Support firefighters in New Market Monday
We can't do enough to show our support for our first responders. But here's an opportunity to do a bit more. On Monday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., the New Market Firefighters Chili Supper will take place to support the fire department. Free will donations will be accepted. Besides showing support, we're betting that the firefighters will make sure the chili is good and hot! See you there!

April 27
Montgomery County producers offer a rich and diverse supply of locally-sourced food for our community. Worldwide Watch calculates that products sourced locally have a CO2 footprint 5-17 times LESS than their factory farm counterparts. Freshly picked produce has higher vitamin and mineral content. Pastured farm animals are healthier. Buying local food insures dollars are invested right back into our own community. Montgomery County hosted its first Local Food Summit earlier this week on the 4-H grounds.



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