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New Evansville Arena Bonds Sold Out

EVANSVILLE, IN

- The sale of bonds to finance the new Evansville Arena is complete.

Interest rates and the resulting lease payments are at levels close to estimates made before the sale.

"The receptiveness of the financial markets to our offering shows that the care we took in planning our project created a solid financial package," said Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel. "We

are particularly gratified by the individual investors who chose to support our City's future."

Arena Project Director John J. Kish said the composite net interest rate on the entire package of bonds was approximately 4.5%, which is about ¼ percentage point higher than estimates made earlier this year. Bond interest rates have been rising slowly since the end of 2009.

Evansville City Controller Jenny Collins said the City's financial advisers and managers worked diligently to execute a successful sale. "We're pleased with how well our team delivered," she said. The official closing of the transactions is expected to occur before the end of May.

The total value of the bonds sold was \$122.4 million in a combination of short-term, tax-exempt bonds and long-term debt, including taxable Build America Bonds. The Build America Bond program, created by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, brings a direct federal rebate to the Evansville Redevelopment Authority for 35% of the interest paid to investors in the bonds.



The bonds will support the development of the new \$127 million arena in downtown Evansville.

The 290,000 squarefoot Evansville Arena will be the region's center for sports and entertainment, designed to host basketball, hockey, concerts, exhibitions and shows for audiences as large as 11,000. It will open in late 2011. The new Evansville Arena will work in conjunction

with The Centre and other downtown attractions to create a vibrant atmosphere for sports fans, music lovers and conventioneers.

Approximately \$95 million of the bond sale proceeds will be used for arena construction, with the remainder used for interest payments during the construction period, a debt-service reserve fund, and costs of issuance. At present, construction teams are working on concrete for the main concourse with structural steel work set to begin in mid-May.

Beginning in 2013, the Evansville Redevelopment Authority will repay the bond investors slightly more than \$8 million a year, drawing from the Food and Beverage Tax as well as New Evansville Arena Project revenue from the downtown Tax Increment Finance district (TIF). No property tax revenue will be utilized. In addition, the City plans to use a portion of gaming revenues to repay the bonds.

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Bond rating agencies judged these sources to be comfortably above the amount needed to service the debt.

Standard & Poor's Ratings Service gave the bond package an "A" grade and Moody's Investors Service applied its "A1" rating. The positive evaluation relied on the City's pledging of the several categories of tax revenues, backed up by the City's share of the County Option Income Tax (COIT) for bond payments.

"The City Council's agreement to use COIT as a guarantee was cited by the ratings services as enhancing the quality of these bonds," Kish said. "The other revenues pledged by the City are more than sufficient to cover the payments, but more security meant a better rating and that meant lower debt payments."

While the net composite interest rate was approximately 4.5%, rates for individual issues of bonds within the package ranged from 2.5% to 7.2% (before the federal rebate is applied), depending on their size, term and tax status.

The Evansville-based investment firm of Hilliard Lyons served as senior manager for the offering, with City Securities Corp. and Fifth Third Securities also participating. The City's financial adviser for the arena project is London Witte Group.

IS IT TRUE...



we are *still* wondering about the status of the McCurdy Condo Project?

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NEWS

New School Vaccine Requirements

Free clinics offered for children attending Vanderburgh County Schools

With Indiana law now requiring additional vaccines for students entering sixth through twelfth grade, the Vanderburgh County Health Department will be offering free school vaccination clinics before vaccines are mandated this fall, for the 2010-2011 school year.

New requirements include a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough) vaccine given after the tenth birthday, two chickenpox vaccines (or written date of the disease) and a meningitis vaccine.

According to Health Officer, Ray Nicholson, MD, "While children are already required to be vaccinated against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and chickenpox, the second vaccination is a booster shot for older children."

The meningitis shot was previously recommended, but is now required.

Free vaccination clinics will be held Wednesday, May 5 from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Thursday, May 6 from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Central High School Gymnasium located at 5400 First Avenue, for students who attend Vanderburgh Schools County in the fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh grade.

Notification is being sent home with students. Students will need to be accompanied by parent or guardian and all shot records. Shot records may be obtained by calling the school the child currently attends or their healthcare provider. Those receiving vaccine should wear short sleeves or loose fitting garments to facilitate ease of vaccination. A snack or light meal is suggested beforehand.

Parents are encouraged to get their children vaccinated NOW to avoid the rush before school starts in August. Children may also receive vaccines at their healthcare provider or at the health department at 420 Mulberry Street by appointment by calling 435-5997 or on a walk-in basis on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

More information can be found at our website: "van-derburghgov.org/health" and click on the blue

"Back to School Immunizations" button.



NEWS

City to Save Nearly 1/2 Million on Park Bond Refinance

Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel will ask Evansville City Council on Monday for permission to refinance the 2001 Park District Bonds. The bonds will have a net interest rate of 3.3698%, which means a net present value savings for the City and Parks Department of \$423,086.

"Our decision to refinance the Park Bonds represents a significant savings to taxpayers. This is another way in which the City is looking for more effective and efficient ways to save money and utilize tax dollars in the most meaningful way possible," said Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel.

Refinancing will lower the principal and interest payments over the life of the bond, but it will not extend the length of time to pay off the bond which comes due in 2021. The City was able to obtain a low interest rate on the refinanced bonds due to a positive bond rating from Standard & Poor's (AA-) and the slow economy.

The original \$12.4 million in bonds were issued in 2001 for the acquisition, construction and equipping of Swonder Ice Arena. The bond provided the City with the opportunity to refinance in 2010 and proposals were solicited from a number of underwriters. Through a competitive bidding process, City Securities was selected.

First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

ELECT A WESTSIDE NATIVE

PICK RICK RINEY!



DEMOCRAT
CANDIDATE
FOR PERRY
TOWNSHIP
TRUSTEE

- *Serve the people as a full-time trustee.
- *Retired firefighter.
- *A U.S. Navy Vietnam Veteran
- *Caring and compassionate.
- *Give the citizens of our community a helping hand during difficult times.
- *Not a career politician, and have never been elected to a public office.
- *Deeply involved in social and athletic activities on the Westside.
- *WILL NOT SEEK A PAY RAISE WHILE IN OFFICE.

Pick Rick on May 4th

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Rick Riney Perry Township Trustee. Bonnie Toone, Chairman



HOURS: Monday - Friday 7am - 3am • Saturday 7am-3am • Sunday 10am-10pm

POLITICS CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT OBSERVER SUPPORTS RINEY AS PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

For two years now, we at the City-County Observer had done our best to be the objective news source for civically and politically engaged citizens in Southwest Indiana. It has been our goal to provide our readers with investigative reporting on the issues that affect their lives most; local issues, local candidates, local government. We have held a long term, unwritten policy not to endorse any political candidates in contested primary races; however, we decided to make one endorsement this

year because the political landscape of Evansville and Vanderburgh County is about to change, as is happening across the country due to the fact that there is strong anti-incumbent sentiment.

The decision to show support for this candidate came about because he is a highly-qualified person that deserves our support and will hopefully merit your vote in the May 4, 2010. That candidate is Rick Riney.

The political story that is being played out is the Democrat primary race for Perry Township Trustee. The candidates involved are two of Evansville's favored Westside sons - Rick Riney, son of the beloved late Sherriff (Jerry Riney) and grandson of the past Perry Township Trustee (Coness Northern), and Dave Mosby, the son of the late but great "Red Mosby," a name that will ever be synonymous as a past Westside political dynasty.

While the number of voters in the district isn't large by any account, the influence of the Westside on political races, as well as city and county policy, over the years has been enormous.

Dave Mosby is unquestionably one of the many patriarchs of the Vanderburgh County Democrat Party because he has enjoyed some political success throughout the years. If there is any doubt of his status as a Westside political powerhouse, one only has to look as his open endorsements which include Indiana State Senator Bob Deig, Mayor Jonathon Weinzapfel, City Councilpersons, John Friend, Curt John, his son-in-law-B J Watts, Missy Mosby (his niece), Connie Robinson and Vanderburgh County Commissioner Troy Tornatta. Ironically, these endorsements could be Mosby's political down fall.

The political climate of the Westside is changing. The union-solid, blue-collar, Democrat partisan Westside is

staking its claim, the evidence of which can be seen in yards signs and on bumpers stickers west of downtown. Yellow signs stating simply "Riney" are as thick as the growing anti-incumbency mood that has swept the cities, counties across the county.

Riney has served his country well as a Navy Vietnam veteran. He served the residents of Evansville as retired firefighter. He is an active member of the community. He is a member of the Reitz R-Men's Club, youth sports coach, Westside Nut Club (24 years), the River Bend Asso., the Democrat Party John F. Kennedy Club and the VFW #1114.

Rick Riney has waged a grassroots campaign that is truly impressive. From his door-to-door campaign walkers that have been seen daily throughout the many Westside residential neighborhoods. His fundraisers draw in supporters by the hundreds, for a seat that usually draws little or no interest.

If Riney defeats Mosby, this will have a major impact on next year's city elections. Riney's victory promises what many voters are telling our staff is a much needed change for the people of Perry Township.

The CITY-COUNTY OBSERVER respectfully asks that you consider casting your vote to make RICK RINEY your next full-time Perry Township Trustee!

~ R.H. Cosby, Chairman of the Board



EDITORIA IS IT TRUE?



Compiled by 'Moles' Number 1 through 146...and counting

....that Local 357 Firefighters Union and the for one (1) day? Evansville FOP has filed a 'BREACH OF CON-TRACT' law suit against the city of Evansville in a Vanderburgh County Court?

....a newly hired Interim employee for the city of Evansville Department is being paid \$12,500 a month?we wonder why the powers that be didn't bring the large salary increase proposal for this position to the City of Evansville Salary Administration Committee?we wonder how our city officials can defend the employment title of Interim if his contract is for two years?you can rest assure that the City-County Observer has already ask city officials for a copy of this employment contract so we can report our findings to our readers?

....the recent gathering of the Tea party group and Second Amendment Patriots and the Freedom Makers at the Vanderburgh County Civic Center was a smashing success?

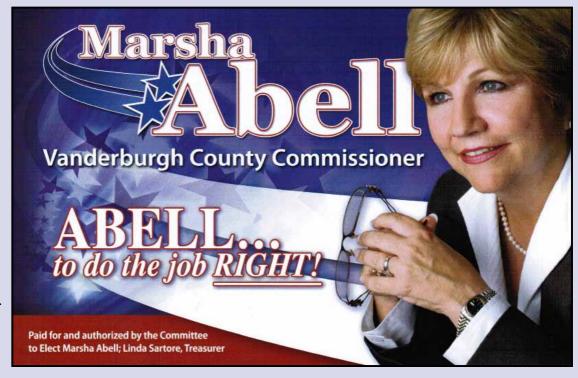
...the United Freedom Makers are sponsoring a "MEET and GREET" session this Thursday (April 29) at the Red Bank Library?that Jim Tomes, Krista Risk, Marsha Abell and Jeremy Meeks plan to attend to gathering?

....we wonder why a person would walk away from his \$126,000 consultation contract with the City of Evansville DMD department after being on the job

....in the private sector when a person receives a paycheck without earning or deserving it, he would he would have to repay this money back to his company? the next action management would take would not only to concern to his future employment but the future employment of others individuals involved in this unacceptable act? ...what's good for the private sector should be good for the government sector?

.....we taxpayers are tired of hearing the following statements and words?they are; boondoggle, fiasco, transparency, fraudulent act, trust me, I wasn't involved in this decision, it's not only legal but ethical?the statement the taxpayers now like to hear is the "Feds have started an INVESTIGATION"?

...we are impressed with how quickly the arena



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bonds sold?

...we would like to congratulate Marsha Abell and Jeremy Meeks for running clean campaigns in this primary?

... the race between for Indiana State Senate Jim Tomes and Andrew Wilson remains too close to call?

... the political move of this primary season is when County Assessor Jonathan Weaver spoke at the Tax Day TEA Party event? ... we were extremely surprised to see that he was the only Vanderburgh County incumbent official to attend this worthy event? ... we were extremely taken back by the roaring response he received from the attendees of this event?









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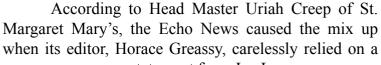
By Judge James Redwine

Mr. Rick Johnson of New Harmony High School and his students stand ready to demand satisfaction on behalf

of the heretofore unknown school from Liverpool, Posey County, Indiana called St. Margaret Mary's Catholic High School.

The New Harmony student attorneys have filed suit against the Echo News newspaper that is, also, located in Liverpool. They claim the Echo News negligently damaged St. Margaret Mary's by publishing an erroneous story that Taylor Swift, not

Taylor Bright, would be putting on a free concert at the school. St. Margaret Mary's was overrun with marauding Taylor Swift fans who got real testy when told Taylor Bright was the Taylor involved.



statement from Jay Leno.

The Echo News, which will be championed by Mr. Mike Kuhn and his students from North Posey High School, has counterclaimed against St. Margaret Mary's High School alleging the school should have properly identified Taylor Bright before it asked the Echo News to help publicize the event.

Ms. Ann Shanks' and Mr. Steve Britt's Mt. Vernon High School students will provide the judge, jury and court personnel who must decide which party, if any, should win.

The case will be tried Friday, April 30, 2010 at

9:00 a.m. in the Posey Circuit Court as a part of the annual Law Day Celebration sponsored by the Posey County Bar Association. This will be the twenty-sixth Mock Trial put on by the students with the guidance of their teachers.

At the conclusion of the Mock Trial the Indiana Court of Appeals will hold Oral Arguments on an actual case appealed from Vanderburgh County. Attorneys will have twenty minutes per side to attempt to persuade the Appellate Court.

While neither talking nor movement nor photographs will be allowed during the Oral Arguments, there will be a question and answer session after the Oral Arguments. Students and others will be allowed to ask questions and take pictures at that time.

The entire Law Day Celebration is open to the public and will start at 8:30 a.m. on April the 30th.





COLUMNS

The \$100,000 Mid-Sized Family Sedan

Just What Taxes are Really Fair?

Joe J. Wallace, Managing Director Hadannah Business Solutions

The healthcare bill has been passed and a host of new taxes, fees, and mandatory purchases has been passed into law to pay for the benefits. I was just listening to a respected economist describe how in the cities and states with the highest marginal tax rates in the country will now be taxing that last dollar at a 60% rate. I began to ponder on the question of just how much does it cost to purchase a standard middle class item today like the traditional mid-sized sedan.

In order to be able to drop \$100,000 on a mid-sized family sedan like a Toyota Camry, a Honda Accord, or a Government Motors (GM) product like a Chevy Malibu it is necessary that you are currently earning a sufficient amount of money to place you in the highest tax bracket. Without consulting the IRS, I will take President Obama at his word that these new taxes only kick in at \$250,000 or above. The truth of that will be the subject of other articles. You would also have to live in a city in a state that has local income taxes that are in the top five takers of income. Then your local sales tax should be sufficiently high to cause your transaction to be highly taxed upon sale. For my example, I have chosen Calabasas, CA that has a 9.75% sales tax.

If you get a \$100,000 raise or bonus after the new taxes are enacted your take home pay from that \$100,000 will yield at net amount available to you of \$40,000. What can you buy for \$40,000? Considering that automobiles are subject to sales taxes and license fees upon purchase in a city that has taxes like Calabasas does, you should be shopping for a car with an MSRP of approximately \$35,000. If you want to keep some cash on deposit and finance the car my Texas Instruments BA II-Plus calculator tells me that after interest charges over five years you should be shopping for a car with an MSRP of \$29,433.

How many people realize that with such levels of taxation that your earnings retention in products and services at the highest marginal rates of taxation is only 35% of your earnings? At some point taxes can get so high that there is no incentive to bother to earn additional money. Progressive taxation, especially on incomes inherently rewards failure and punishes success. Let us consider the types of taxes we pay and examine whether they are fair or not.

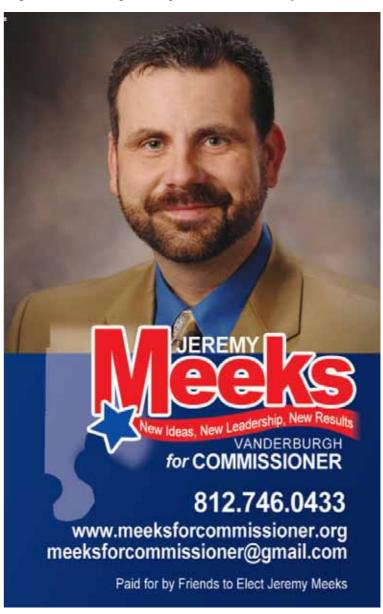
Sales Taxes: If one does not buy, one does not pay, this tax is therefore voluntary. The sales tax is only dependent on the amount of the purchase so an extremely wealthy person will pay the same amount of tax on an individual item as someone who earns less. Whether you like paying sales tax or not this tax is both fair and equitable.

Real Estate Taxes: These are taxes upon property and are nearly always based on the value of the house. To an extent one knows the tax rates prior to choosing the type of house to purchase we all have some control over the amount that we choose to pay. This is not optional as even renters pay this indirectly due to the fact that

landlords pass this cost along to tenants. For example the recently passed healthcare bill levies a 3.8% tax on rental income. Rest assured that if your rent is \$1,000 now that it will be rising to \$1,050 soon to cover the \$38 in taxes and the aggravation that landlords will have with the new tax.

While being less fair than the sales tax, the real estate tax in itself is somewhat fair and can be altered by the actions of the taxpayer. The authority of a taxing authority to confiscate real estate for back taxes of say 5% of the value of the property is not only unfair it is usury.

Social Security and Medicare Taxes: Too many people's great surprise there is no lock box full of money anywhere to collateralize the government's obligation to provide Social Security and Medicare



COLUMNS



Mid-sized family sedan

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benefits. This is a tax that is designed for today's workers to pay today's retirees. It is a classic age based redistribution scheme. When enacted there were something like 42 workers for each retiree. Today that number is just over 3 and is projected to approach 2 as the baby boomer generation retires. This is designed to fail unless benefits are reduced, taxes are raised, retirement ages are raised, or we magically come up with 100 million new workers. This entitlement is the biggest ticking time bomb in the government's unfunded box of IOU's.

In spite of its spiral toward insolvency, Social Security taxes each dollar equally up to an annual maximum. There is also a cap on benefits that supposedly is proportional to the maximum in withholding so the conclusion with respect to fairness is that Social Security is both a fair and equitable tax so long as it maintains its ability to pay.

Income Taxes: The American income tax is progressive in nature imposing progressive-ly higher rates of taxation on higher earnings up to a maximum rate. Forty Three States also tax incomes with schemes varying from Indiana's flat rate to New York's progressive tax that mimics federal schedules. What we get for our taxes, or contributions as IRS documents like to call these taxes is legislation, protection, public land access, redistribution of wealth, a social safety net, roads, and a plethora of subsidized programs such as the SBA, farm subsidies, community block grants, etc. For the purpose of this evaluation I have assumed that we each have exactly the same services available to us. Some of us take advantage of government largesse and others do not. We all have equal opportunity to do so.

To truly understand the fairness or unfairness of the income tax let's assume first that the government is the sole purveyor of eggs, an item that most of us like in the category of food that we all need. In a progressively priced grocery store, the price of eggs would most likely have the following form.

Your Earnings Your Price for a Dozen Eggs

\$0 - \$50,000 Free Eggs for You \$30,000 - \$70,000 \$3 per dozen \$70,000 - \$150,000 \$20 per dozen

\$150,000 + \$100 per dozen plus \$1 per \$1,000 of income

This method of pricing items in a retail establishment that hopes to be taken seriously would yield nothing but laughs. Unfortunately this is exactly how our progressive income tax works with respect to paying for government services. The income tax in its present form is therefore unfair and is not equitable. It was never designed to be. As long as this tax is low enough to only be an annoyance to the highest earners this unfairness will continue.

It is the progressive income tax that created the \$100,000 mid-sized sedan. As preposterous as a \$100,000 Chevy Malibu sounds it is today's reality. The direction that the country is headed we will soon have the \$200,000 Malibu followed by the \$500,000 Malibu. At some point it becomes pointless to earn additional money for the group of people that Ayn Rand affectionately called the producers and achievers in "Atlas Shrugged". At that point the moochers (net receivers of government money) and looters (government officials) will learn the true value of what they have to offer when the producers and achievers leave the country or just stop working.

Enjoy the \$100,000 mid-sized family sedan while you still can. The looters are on the march and there are enough moochers to keep them in office. The payback will come when another country takes up the mantle that our founding fathers did over 200 years ago and the achievers leave our shores just as the achievers of the past flocked to them.

Who, What, When and Where!

Compiled by Sherry Burdett

ANGEL MOUNDS EVENTS

Archaeology C.S.I. Day

On Friday, May 14, Angel Mounds will host its 4th annual Archaeology C.S.I. Day,an event designed for the students to experience "Cultural Scene Investigation" as archaeologists and representatives from several institutions demonstrate and discuss aspects of the science and history of archaeology. Open to 6th and 7th grade students only, please contact (812) 853-3956 or email angelmoundsshs@dnr.in.gov<mailto:angelmoundsshs@dnr.in.gov> for more information.

Tri-State Art Guild Really BIG Show Juried Exhibit and Mini's Show

Sponsored by Tri-State Art Guild and the Friends of Angel Mounds, these two shows run from May 23 - July 23, and revolve around a theme of large-scale and small-scale artwork. Exhibit hours: Tues. – Sat., 9am – 5pm, Sun., 1 – 5pm. Call 270-826-6674 or 812-401-3076 for exhibit information or visit www.tri-stateartguild.orghttps://exchweb.in.gov/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?URL=http://www.tri-stateartguild.org/>.

New Harmony Excavation Lecture

Curator of Historic Archaeology at the Indiana State Museum, Bill Wepler, will present "Current Excavations at Community House 2" on Wednesday, May 26 at 7 p.m. in the Angel Mounds Interpretive Center. As opposed to prehistoric investigations, such as that at Angel Mounds, this presentation will address historic archaeology taking place in New Harmony. In particular, Wepler will discuss results from the past and goals for this year's excavations at Community House 2. Much attention has recently been given to this communal dormitory built by George Rapp's followers. These archaeological investigations have yielded fruitful insights into New Harmony's past, including fascinating evidence of Harmonist dentistry.

CALL FOR ENTRIES & ARTISTS ATTENTION ALL ARTISTS: CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL APPLICATIONS

• All visual artists and vendors are invited to apply for the juried Creative Arts Festival, May 15th, from 9:00-5:00pm. The festival is in conjunction with the Homegrown Bluegrass festival. Booth fee is \$40.00 for a 10 x 12 booth. Tent set up will be Friday, May 14th, 11:00-5:00. Artists and crafters will fill

the courtyards surrounding the JJA Museum to exhibit and sell their works of art. For further information or to receive an application, please contact Kim McGrew-Liggett, Creative Arts Coordinator, at the John James Audubon Museum.

(270) 827-1893 or kim.mcgrew@ky.gov

Tri-State Art Guild Call for Entries

Artists are invited to submit entries for juried shows to be held at Angel Mounds from June 6-August 6, 2010. The Really BIG Show will feature large scale work and The Really Tiny Show will feature small scale artwork. Both shows will be on exhibition at the same time. Each show will be juried with separate awards and artists may enter both shows for one entry fee. Nonmembers are welcome to enter by submitting the entry fee and membership dues. See perspectus details on the guild website at www.tri-stateartguild.org/events.html or call 270-826-6674 for more information. Entry deadline is May 29.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF EVANSVLLE (cMoe)

Wednesday through Saturday: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Sunday: 12:00pm to 4:00pm

Who, What, When and Where!

Monday & Tuesday: CLOSED - Holiday Exceptions Apply Admission: Last Admission to the Museum is 3:30 p.m. **, 18 Months and Over - \$6, Members - FREE

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT (18 or older)

NEW Music Together Classes at cMoe!

New to the Tri-State area, this internationally recognized early childhood music program is committed to helping families rediscover the pleasure and educational value of music experiences. Classes developed for children birth to age 7 are scheduled at cMoe on Wednesday and Fridays at 12 noon beginning the week of January 11th. Contact casey@inmusictherapy.com to register or for more information.

- April 29: 10:30 a.m. Thursday Story Stretchers
- April 30: 2 p.m. Celebrate Arbor Day Listen to a special reading of The Lorax, Dr. Seuss' book about a Lorax who speaks for the trees and enjoy craft time!
 - Saturday 5/1 10:30 Story Stretchers
 - Sunday 5/2 Educators Appreciation Day

1:00 -3:00 Afternoon Adventures to China in the Freedom Gallery

- Wednesday 5/5 Join us for some South-of-the-Border fun as we celebrate Cinco de Mayo with Mexican crafts all day and a Mexican treat taste-test at 1:00 pm.
 - Thursday 5/6 10:30 Story Stretchers
 - 1:00 Home School Workshop
 - 5:00 8:00 Free Family Night
 - Saturday 5/8 10:30 Story Stretchers

11:00 - 1:00 Make a miniature Mother's Day jar candle in Speak Loud

• Sunday 5/9 - Mothers Day! Kids, treat Mom or that special

female in your life to an afternoon of fun at cMoe! Receive one free female adult admission with each paid child admission all day.

12:00 – 3:00 Make a miniature Mother's Day jar candle in Speak Loud

At 2:00 in the Freedom Gallery, Magic Gardener Larry Caplan mixes his environmental knowledge with his magical talents to present a program that is both educational and entertaining!

- Thursday 5/13 10:30 Story Stretchers
- Saturday 5/15 10:30 Story Stretchers

Craft-a-palooza all day in our Speak Loud Gallery! Test your creativity today as we put out boxes of fabric, feathers, foil and more to see where your imagination takes you!

- Sunday 5/16 Military Appreciation Day
- Thursday 5/20 10:30 Story Stretchers
- Saturday 5/22 10:30 Story Stretchers

Help kick off Backyard Games Week by creating your own crazy game in our Speak Loud Gallery all day!

- Thursday 5/27 10:30 Story Stretchers
- Saturday 5/29 10:30 Story Stretchers

Celebrate National Jazz Appreciation Day with the cool sounds of Ben Daugherty and other local area jazz musicians from 12:00-1:00 in the Freedom Gallery

• Monday 5/31 - Memorial Day - cMoe Closed

EVANSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS

Adult Programs

•April 28 – McCollough's Wednesday Book Discussion – The Physick Book of Deliverance Dane, 3:00 p.m. in Meeting Room, McCollough Branch, 5115 Washington Ave. For more information: Call 428-8236.

•May 1 & 17 – Otona No Otaku – Japanese culture and anime for adults, 6:30 p.m. in Browning Event Room B, Central Library, For more information: Call Charles Sutton at 428-8217.

- •May 4 Primary Election Day
- •May 4, 11, 18, & 25 Talk & Walk Book Discussion Join EVPL librarians on a walk downtown during your lunch time followed by lunch and book discussion in the Cafe Garden at Central Library. 12:00-1:00 p.m. For more information: Call Erika Qualls at 428-8229.
- •May 4 North Park Book Discussion Tallgrass, 6:30 p.m. in Meeting Room, North Park Branch, 960 Koehler Dr. For more information: Call Michelle Haywood at 428-8237 ext. 4409.
- •May 5 BIG READ Closing Ceremony Professor Jorge Chapa will be the speaker for the close of Evansville's BIG READ program. Mexican food, music, art



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and dancing. 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Central Library.

- •May 5 Lunch Lit Sun, Stone, and Shadows: 20 Great Mexican Short Stories, 12:10 p.m. in Meeting Room, McCollough Branch, 5115 Washington Ave. For more information: Call 428-8236.
- •May 10 Members' Choice Book Discussion The Brief History of the Dead, 3:30 p.m. in Meeting Room, Oaklyn Branch, 3001 Oaklyn Dr. For more information: Call Pam Locker at 428-8234 ext. 5401.
- •May 12 Books for Lunch books by Karen White, 12:00 p.m. in Howard Room, Red Bank Branch, 120 S. Red Bank Rd. For more information: Call Nancy Higgs at 428-8399.
- •May 12 Film Movement Somers Town, 6:30 p.m. in Browning Event Room B, Central Library, For more information: Call 428-8200.
- •May 13 Classics Book Discussion Herzog, 1:00 p.m. in Meeting Room, North Park Branch, 960 Koehler Dr. For more information: Call David Locker at 428-8237 ext. 4412.
- •May 15 Somewhere is Thyme Tea Join us for tea and a light lunch as we welcome author and former tea room proprietor, Kathy Thiessen. 1:00 p.m. in Meeting Room, McCollough Branch, 5115 Washington Ave. Register by May 8 by calling 428-8236.
- •May 17 Container Gardens: It's All About Color, 6:30 p.m. in Meeting Room, Oaklyn Branch, 3001 Oaklyn Dr. For more information: Call 428-8234.
- •May 19 Women's Fiction Book Club Twenties Girl, 3:30 p.m. in Study Room, Oaklyn Branch, 3001 Oaklyn Dr. For more information: Call 428-8234.
- •May 20 Classic Film Series Come and Get It, 6:00 p.m. in Browning Event Room B, Central Library, For more information: Call Matt Rowe at 428-8200 ext. 1545.
- •May 23 Summer Reading Kickoff, 1:00-4:30 p.m. in Browning Event Rooms A & B, Central Library, For more information: Call 428-8200.
- •May 27 Mystery Lovers Book Discussion – The Big Steal, 4:30 p.m. in Meeting Room, North Park Branch, 960 Koehler Dr. For more information: Call David Locker at 428-8237 ext. 4412.
- •May 27 Travel to Alaska with Al Perry World Traveler and

Photographer will be discussing a recent trip to Alaska featuring magnificent wildlife and landscape slides. 6:30 p.m. in Meeting Room, McCollough Branch, 5115 Washington Ave. For more information: Call 428-8236.

Teen Programs

- •May 6 Reel Talk Vampire Lore a double feature mini film festival with a presentation by a vampire expert, 3:00 p.m. in Browning Events Room, Central Library, For more information: Call Charles Sutton at 428-8217.
- •May 8 & 22—Cosplay 101 Teen led hands on workshop design, share, and exchange ideas, 11:30 a.m. in Browning Events Room, Central Library, For more information: Call Charles Sutton at 428-8217.
- •May 23 Summer Reading Teen Kick-off 1:00 4:30 p.m. in Central Library's Teen Zone. Sign up for summer reading, refreshments and giveaways. For more information: Call Charles Sutton at 428-8217.
- •May 28 'Tweens & Things create chocolate snacks from decorative molds. Grades 5-8. 3:30 p.m. in Browning Events Room, Central Library, Register by calling Christa at 428-8225.

Children's Programs

- •May 4 Mini Gardens create a tiny spring garden for your room, Grades K-6, 3:30 p.m.at Red Bank Branch, 120 S. Red Bank Rd. For more information: Call 428-8205.
- •May 23 Summer Reading Kick-off Get signed up for the summer reading program to read for fun and prizes. The first 500 kids to register will receive a book bag. 1:00 4:30 p.m. Central Library. For more information, call 428-8225.



New Harmony Theatre announces "Ain't Misbehavin" to close its 2010 season

New Harmony Theatre is announcing a change to its 2010 season. The musical revue "Ain't Misbehavin" will run July 30 to August 15, replacing the previously announced "Finian's Rainbow." The summer season's other titles include "The School for Scandal," a comedy by Richard Brinsley Sheridan, and "The Glass Menagerie," a drama by Tennessee Williams. Lenny Leibowitz, New Harmony Theatre's artistic director, will stage all three.

Amy Estes, New Harmony Theatre's managing director, said, "In evaluating our resources and maximizing available personnel, we decided to postpone the production of – Finian's Rainbow' for an upcoming season." According to Estes, audiences will love "Ain't Misbehavin'," a musical revue that embodies the comic and musical soul of Harlem in the 1930s.

It features the rollicking, swinging, finger-snapping music of Fats Waller, who rose to international fame during the Golden Age of the Cotton Club.

Leibowitz said, "'Ain't Misbehavin" evokes the humor and infectious energy of this American original as a versatile cast struts, strums, and sings the songs Fats Waller made famous, from the title song to "Honeysuckle Rose" to "Tain't Nobody's Biz-Ness If I Do."

"The School for Scandal," "The Glass Menagerie," and "Ain't Misbehavin" will play at Murphy Auditorium at 419 Tavern Street in New Harmony. Both season and single tickets are on sale now. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the box office at 812/682-3115 or toll free at 1-877-NHT-SHOW (648-7469), or visit the theatre's web site at www.newharmony theatre.com.



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RELIGION THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

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LIGHT IS SOWN FOR THE RIGHTROUS, AND GLADNESS FOR THE UPRIGHT IN HEART Psalms 97:11

THURSDAY-----

THROUGH US [GOD]DIFFUSES THE FRAGRNCE OF HIS KNOWLEDGR IN EVERY PLACE. 2 Corinthians 2:14

FRIDAY-----

THEY SHALL LIFT UP THEIR VOICE, THEY SHALL SING FOR THE MAJESTY OF THE LORD, THEY SHALL CRY ALOUD FROM THE SEA Isaiah 24:14

SATURDAY-----

REJOICE IN THAT DAY AND LEAP FOR JOY, BE-3DAUSE GREAT IS YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN, FOR THAT IS HOW THEIR FATHERS TREATED THE ROPH-ETS. Luke 6:22

SUNDAY-----

THE KINGDOM OF TE WORLD HAS BECOME THE KINGDOM OF OUR LORD AND OF HIS CHRIST. AND HE WILL REIG FOR EVER AND EVER. Revelations 11:15

MONDAY-----

BUT THAT ON THE GOOD GROUND ARE THEY, WHICH IN AN HONEST AND GOOD HEART, HAV-ING HEARDTHE WORD, KEEP IT, AND BRING FORTH FRUIT WITH PATIENCE. Luke 8:15

TUESDAY-----

THE SON OF MAN DID NOT COME TO BE SERVE. BUT TO SERVE... Matthew 20:28



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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of 3 Thessalonians in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. Who went to the city gate every morning to hold a court of justice trying to win people from David? Nain. Rehoboam. Absalom. Felix
- 3. Where did the first miracle of Jesus -- His turning water into wine -- take place? Cana, Antioch, Berea, Corinth
- 4. From Judges 9, who had 70 of his brothers killed on one stone? Abraham, Abimelech, Samuel. Amos
- 5. Which queen died by being thrown from a window and trampled by horses? Elisabeth, Jezebel, Vashti, Abigail
- 6. Where does Paul promote the public reading of scripture? 1 Timothy, 1 Samuel, 1 John, 1 Thessalonians

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> Abimelech; 5) Jezebel; 6) 1 Timothy ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Absalom; 3) Cana; 4)

EDUCATION

Fine Gallery of the Arts Named at Bosse High School

Isabella Fine, long-time member of the Evansville community, advocate of education and the arts, and currently honorary member of EVSC Foundation, was honored today by the re-naming of the Community Room at Bosse High School to the Isabella and Oscar K. Fine Gallery of the Arts.

The gallery, an elegant, and often-used meeting space at Bosse, was the site for a special recognition tea in honor of the occasion today (April 22). Mrs. Fine, and her late husband, Oscar, were recognized for their outstanding support of education and of the arts in the community. Mrs. Fine was also honored for her support of EVSC and EVSC Foundation. She was one of the first EVSC Foundation Honorary Board members.

Mrs. Fine was born in New York City, and met Mr. Fine when she made a trip to Evansville to visit her

sister. They were married in 1938 and celebrated 58 years of marriage until Mr. Fine passed away in 1996. Mr. Fine and his two brothers owned several neighborhood theaters and the Grand Theatre downtown. The three brothers also introduced the first television station in Evansville, WFIE-TV over 55 years ago.

Mrs. Fine's love for family, community, and education is rooted in her own big family of 10 brothers and sisters. Education has always been a great love in her life, as well. Under the leadership of Dr. Wallace Graves, then President of the University of Evansville, she was named the coordinator of Harlaxton College – UE's British campus.

The Gallery for the Arts will continue to be used as a community room, as well as a place to showcase student and EVSC alumni work.

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USI 2010 Commencement is May 9

The University of Southern Indiana's 2010 Commencement will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 9, at Roberts Stadium in Evansville. More than 1,500 students are eligible to graduate and receive master's, baccalaureate, and associate degrees.

The Commencement speaker is a member of the Class of 1971, USI's first graduating class. Robert C. Roeder, a nationally recognized specialist in human resources management, is Principal and Senior Human Capital consultant in the Indianapolis office of Mercer, Inc. He specializes in executive compensation, employee rewards, and human resources management consulting.

Dr. Brian L. McGuire, professor of accounting and associate dean of the College of Business, will receive the 2010 Integra Distinguished Professor Award. The award recognizes significant achievement in teaching, leadership, and service. As Distinguished Professor, McGuire will receive a grant from Integra Bank, select a student to receive a scholarship in his name next year, and deliver the address at the fall Commencement in December.

Meral "Kitty" K. El Ramahi will receive the President's Medal, the highest honor accorded a graduate. A University Honors scholar, El Ramahi will graduate summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology. She is the daughter of Dr. Kamal El Ramahi and Mrs. Kawsar El Ramahi of Newburgh and a 2006 graduate of Castle High School. She has earned acceptance into three medical schools and an interview at Harvard Medical School, and has been accepted into a competitive summer research position at the Brookhaven National Laboratory in New York.

David and Sarah Huber of Cannelton and Evansville will receive honorary degrees for their University service and support. David Huber served as a University trustee for a decade, chairing the board for two years. Sarah Huber is a member and past chair of the USI/New Harmony Foundation Board. David also served on that board as a representative of the USI trustees. Both will receive a Doctor of Laws degree.

For more information, go to www.usi.edu/commence-ment/spring.





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Running Aces Have Strong Showing At Purdue Outdoor Open

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind.--University of Evansville junior Ryan Witters (Evansville, Ind./Memorial) posted two of UE's four top-four individual finishes on Saturday to lead a strong showing by the Purple Aces at the Purdue Outdoor Open Track Meet at Dave Rankin Track in West Lafayette, Indiana.

Witters finished third out of 13 runners in the 1,500-meter race with a time of 4:00.31, while also placing fourth out of 10 runners in the 800-meter run in a time of 1:57.02 to lead UE's efforts in its third outdoor track meet of the spring. Freshman Cody Stein (Evanston, Ind./ Heritage Hills) also posted a fourth-place finish in the men's 5,000-meter event in a time of 15:41.48, while fellow rookie Brady Hall (Evansville, Ind./Reitz) placed fourth in the 3,000-meter steeplechase in a time of 10:40.38.

"Our guys continue to run well this spring, which is a great sign for the upcoming fall season," said UE head coach Don Walters. "Ryan Witters has really taken his running to the next level this spring, as his times in the 800- and 1,500-meter races have been outstanding. Cody Stein has also stepped up his running, as has a lot of our guys this spring.

Members of the UE cross country team have competed in three outdoor track meets this spring, per NCAA rules. The Purple Aces will wrap up the spring track season this weekend by traveling to Terre Haute, Indiana to take part in the Pacesetter Invitational hosted by Indiana State.

INDIVIDUAL UE RESULTS OUTDOOR OPEN

Men's 800-Meter Race:

4. Ryan Witters, 1:57.02

Men's 1,500-Meter Race:

- 3. Ryan Witters, 4:00.31
- 6. Chris Kipchirchir, 4:06.84
- 12. Kyle O'Connor, 4:38.68

Men's 5,000-Meter Race:

- 4. Cody Stein, 15:41.48
- 8. Sam Mires, 16:13.79

Men's 3,000-Meter Steeplechase

4. Brady Hall, 10:40.38

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Aces' 302 Is Second Best Round At MVCs

HUTCHINSON, Kan. -- The University of Evansville golf team came within one stroke of fourth place Tuesday in the final round of the State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Men's Golf Championship at Prairie Dunes Golf Club.

Evansville's team score of 302 today was second only to the 298 shot by tournament champion Wichita State. However, the Aces' hopes for a fourth place finish came up one stroke shy, as Drake took fourth with a 54-hole team total of 949 while UE finished fifth at 950.

Sophomore Michael Sainz just missed making the all-conference team, finishing eighth in the field of 45 golfers with a 4-over-par 74 today and 233 for the tournament. Classmate Griffin Wood was Evansville's best today with a 73, putting him 16th overall at 238. Wichita State's Dustin Garza, ranked among the top six players in the country this season, won the tournament at 13-over-par 223. His 70 today was the only round of the tournament at even par or better. The MVC Tournament was the final one of 2009-10 for the Aces.

"With the wind the way it was, especially Monday, this was a wicked golf course," said UE Coach Jim Hamilton. "Our goal was to finish in the top four, but I'm very pleased with our guys. We're not far away from being at the top. With everyone returning next season except our team captain, Christian Poling, we have a chance to be pretty good if the players work on their games this summer."

TEAM SCORES: 1. Wichita State 922; 2. Southern Illinois 933; 3. Illinois State 944; 4. Drake 949; 5. Evansville 950; 6.



Griffin Wood was UE's best in the final round of the MVC Tournament, with a 73 at 'wicked' Prairie Dunes Golf Club in Hutchinson, Kan..

Missouri State 957; 7. Creighton 966; 8. Northern Iowa 972; 9. Bradley 973.

UE SCORES: T8. Michael Sainz 82-77-74=233; T16. Griffin Wood 81-84-73=238; T30. Christian Poling 83-86-77=246; 33. Tim Simmons 80-79-88=247; 34. Andrew Luo 88-82-78=248.

Medalist: Dustin Garza, Wichita State, 78-75-70=223



McClure signs with USI

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – The University of Southern Indiana men's basketball team announced the signing of forward Isaac McClure to a national letter of intent for the 2010-11 season. McClure is the third player to sign with USI this spring and the fourth overall.

McClure joins the USI program after two seasons at Southeastern Illinois College. He helped lead the Falcons to a 24-11 record last season after averaging 13.3 points and 6.7 rebounds per game. The native of Paducah, Kentucky, also blocked 1.6 shots per game.

As a freshman, McClure average 5.8 points and 4.0 rebounds per contest in helping SIC to a 24-5 mark. He also was a teammate of USI center Mohamed Ntumba at SIC during the 2008-09 season.

McClure attended SIC after lettering in basketball at Paducah Tilghman High School (Paducah, Kentucky). He helped the Tornados to the Kentucky Sweet Sixteen in both 2007 and 2008.

"In the past 4 seasons, Isaac has been a major contributor in 101 victories while playing in two Kentucky State Tournaments and the 2010 NJCAA National Tournament," said USI Head Coach Rodney Watson. "Isaac has the will to win. He can rebound above the rim, score inside or out, and he can play several positions.

"Isaac has learned how to play team defense from one of the finest coaches in the country in Todd Franklin at Southeastern Illinois College," continued Watson. "We are very pleased Isaac chose the University of Southern Indiana to continue his education."

McClure joins guard Jared Rehmel (Jasonville, Indiana), forward Taylor Wischmeier (Brownstown, Indiana), and guard/forward Austin Davis (Freeport, Illinois) in committing to the Eagles for 2010-11.



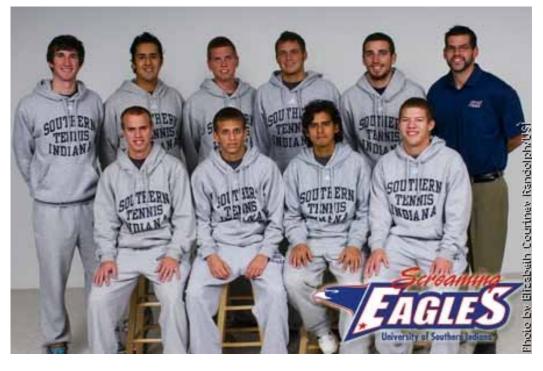
USI going back to NCAA II Tournament

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – The University of Southern Indiana men's tennis team received an at-large bid to the NCAA Division II Tournament for the first time since 2005. USI (19-4), which is making its seventh appearance overall in the tournament, begins national post-season play May 6 at 2 p.m. (CDT) against Ferris State University (11-7) in Midland, Michigan.

Northwood University (13-4), which is scheduled to play Lewis University (16-7), is hosting one of the preliminary rounds for the Midwest Region for the seventh straight year. The preliminary round finale is scheduled for May 7 at noon.

Drury University (15-4), the GLVC champion, is hosting the other Midwest preliminary rounds in Springfield, Missouri, May 7-8. The Panthers host Michigan Tech University (10-9), while

Rockhurst University plays Wayne State University (15-7) in the first round.



The winners of the 16 preliminary-rounds advance to the NCAA Division II Tournament Championship in Altamonte Springs, Florida, hosted by the Central Florida Sports Commission and Rollins College, May 12-15.

The Screaming Eagles are under the direction of GLVC Coach of the Year Chris Crawford, who is in his first season at the helm. Crawford also has three All-GLVC performers in the line-up in junior Joseph Boesing, sophomore Diego Gimenez, and freshman Juan Quiroz.

Boeing is 19-2 in 2009-10 playing in the number three singles position. He also has posted an 18-1 mark in dual matches.

In doubles action, Boesing has paired with Gimenez to record a 25-5 overall record. The pair, which won the Wilson/ITA Championships Midwest Region title last fall, is 19-3 in dual matches.

As an individual, Gimenez is 9-12 this year as USI's number one player in the line-up. He also is 7-11 in dual-match contests.

Quiroz is having an impressive freshman season, going 19-6 in 2009-10. The number two singles player in the line-up is 16-5 in dual matches.

The first-year player also combined with three different doubles partners to post a 21-5 record. Quiroz and freshman Ben Boesing have combined to go 17-4 in dual matches as USI's number two doubles team.

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Students who placed at the state competition and will have the opportunity to compete against approximately 7,000 students at the national level, include:

- •Josi Brown, 4th in Medical Terminology
- •Emily Jackson, 1st in Medical Spelling
 - •Katy East, 1st in Nursing Assisting
- •Dyllon White and Tori Hawkins, 4th in CPR/First Aid
- •Abby Anderson, Jordan Armstead, Bri Hebner, Chelsey Johnson, 1st in Public Health Emergency Preparedness
 - •Kristen Burnett, Lindsey Carter, Jus-

ton Ward, Shelby Whitenack, 3rd in Public Health Emergency Preparedness

- •Katy East, 2nd in Extemporaneous Writing
- •MacKenzie Crane, top 10 in Extemporaneous Writing
- •Nicole Winters, 1st in Prepared Speaking
- •Jamal Junius, top 10 in Extemporaneous Health Poster
- •Abby Anderson and Jordan Armstead, 4th in Career Health Display
- •Kristen Burnett, Chelsea Klass, Juston Ward, Shelby Whitenack, 3rd in Creative Problem Solving
- •Josie Brown, Tori Hawkins, Duston Ricketts, Dyllon White, 4th in Creative Problem Solving
- •Abby Anderson, Barbara Johnson, Chelsey Johnson, top 10 in Poster Design.

In addition, 13 students completed the process for the National Recognition Program. The process takes up to two years to complete and involves creating a portfolio that includes a resume, community awareness project, writing samples, technology, leadership, clinical experience, service learning, credentials and more.

Students must score at least 72 points with no poor ratings in order to be recognized at both the state and national conference. Students who were recognized this year, include:

- Ariele Brown, Reitz High School
- Kristin Burnett, Harrison High School
- Shelby Whitenack, Castle High School
 - Chelsea Klass, North High School
- Nichole Dallas, Mt. Vernon High School
- Chelsea Fromelius, Castle High School
- Courtney Raterman, North High School
 - Andrea Smith, Bosse High School
 - Haley McKinney, Reitz High School
 - Katie Foster, North High School
- Meghan Johann, Tecumseh High School
 - Taylor Dossett, Castle High School
 - Melissa Claridge, Reitz High School

New State Officers also were elected at the state conference. New state officers, include:

- Emily Jackson, President, North High School
- Dyllon White, Vice President Development, Harrison High School
- Abby Anderson, Vice President Public Relations, Harrison High School
- Carolanne Pierce, Secretary, Boonville High School
- Nicole Winters, Treasurer, North High School
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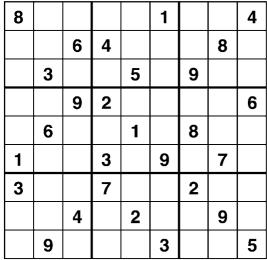
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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle



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HEALTH

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TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

Low Sodium Level Causes Many Symptoms

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What can you tell me about a low sodium level? My visiting friend (from England) was refused embarkation on his cruise because he was acting belligerent and confused. The ship's doctor sent him to a hospital. He had scans, an EEG and numerous blood and urine tests. Everything was normal except he had low sodium. His insurance carrier sent a doctor from England to accompany him on a flight back to London. He has since seen his own doctor. His sodium level has risen. What happened to him? -- B.L.

ANSWER: Sodium has many functions. It keeps body fluids at the right level. It maintains blood pressure. It's essential for muscle contractions. It participates in generating the heartbeat. It carries a positive electric charge, so it balances the negatively charged body substances.

A drop in blood sodium leads to fatigue, nausea and weakness. If the level dips farther, people become confused and dizzy. At very low levels, they could have a seizure and lapse into a coma.

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Your friend's doctor has the task of finding out why your friend's sodium level fell. In quite a few instances, it comes about from an inappropriate release of a body hormone called ADH, antidiuretic hormone. This hormone stops kidney urine production. The result is too much water in the body. The extra water dilutes sodium and produces a low reading. Liver diseases, troubles with the adrenal glands and a sluggish thyroid gland are other causes for a lowering of blood sodium.

Restoring the body's sodium content is not too difficult. Tracking the reason why it dropped is.

Has your friend's mental function normalized now that his sodium level has returned to normal? If it has not, then his doctor has to look for explanations of his erratic behavior that have nothing to do with his sodium.

The booklet on sodium and potassium explains why these minerals are so important and what happens when they are out of kilter. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue -- No 202W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have been eating ice cream and cookies sweetened with Splenda for about four years, enjoying them very much and not experiencing any bad side effects. Then someone told me that Splenda is really bug poison and that it has made a lot of people sick, so I stopped using it. I have noticed no improvement, but I didn't have anything wrong in the first place. I miss Splenda foods. What is your opinion? -- N.B.

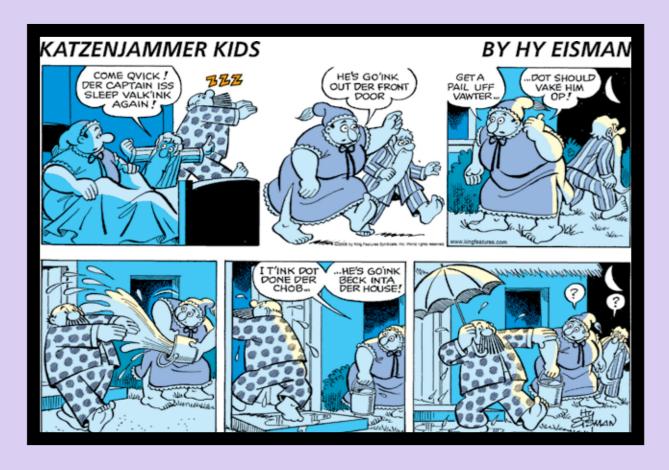
ANSWER: Splenda is not bug poison. It's made from sugar. It's a product that is 600 times sweeter than sugar. It is not absorbed, so it contributes no calories to those who eat it. It's FDA-approved, and I trust the people at the Food and Drug Administration more than I trust your informant. There's no reason for you not to use it.

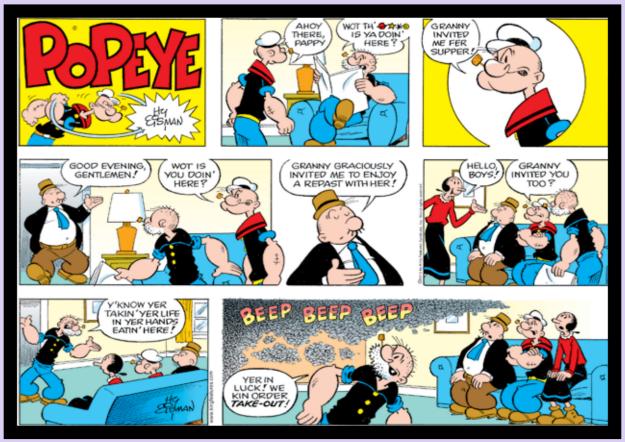
Some people delight in passing on alarming information. Your "someone" has to be one of them.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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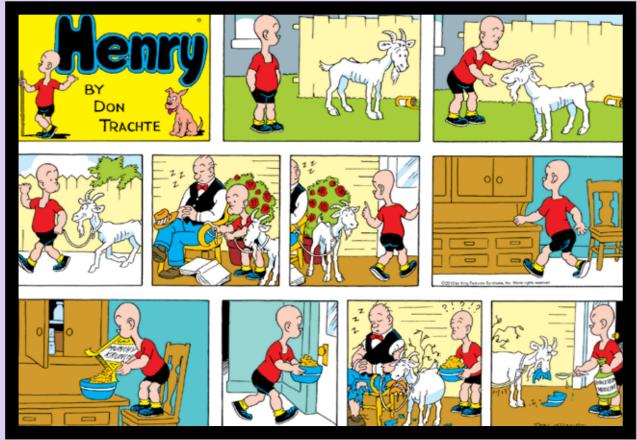
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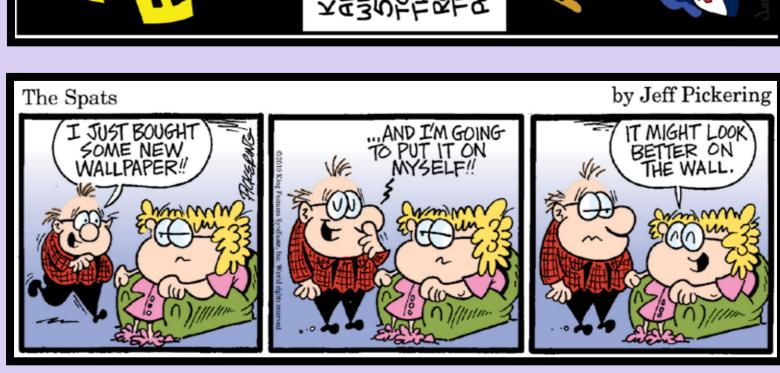




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