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## Awards for athletes

Fall Lancers are honored for their hard work through the season.

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# Edinburgh Courier

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.”  
— Oscar Wilde

## WHAT'S UP?

### Correction

The phone number to request a Thanksgiving dinner delivery was wrong in last week's Courier. The correct number is 812-526-2681.

### Thanksgiving dinner

A community Thanksgiving dinner will be held in the cafeteria at Edinburgh Community High School Nov. 19, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is an opportunity for the community to gather together and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Everyone is invited; it is not just for people in need.

Edinburgh Fire Department will deliver meals to those unable to attend. Call the ECSC administration office at 812-526-2681 by Nov. 16 to request a delivery.

### Thanksgiving service

The Edinburgh Fellowship of Churches will host its Edinburgh Community Thanksgiving Service Nov. 20 at 5 p.m. in the Edinburgh Community High School cafeteria. Daniel Teter will be the speaker with music from Steve and Kim Cox.

All are welcome to come and give thanks as a community for blessings.

### Pizza at American Legion

The American Legion Auxiliary sells freshly made pizzas with a variety of toppings 5-8 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at Post 233 in Edinburgh. For November, pizzas will be sold Nov. 17 due to Thanksgiving.

Prices are \$8 for a 7-inch, \$12 for a 12-inch and \$15 for a 14-inch.

Pizzas can be carried out or eaten at the Legion. Call 812-526-9001 to place an order.

## NEWS

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## Fairy Tale Musical Theatre

# Pixy will stage a story of transformations

By Brian Blair  
THE REPUBLIC STAFF WRITER

**B**uddy Mercer's character of the Gerard the Giant cuts a rather imposing figure of sorts in Fairy Tale Musical Theatre's latest production.

Besides, Mercer is a bearded, brawny, 250-pound, 6-foot-2 hulk. But he never figured on giving a stage production such a big chunk of his time until long-time friend Michael Beavin convinced him last year that Mercer should be in a play.

### About the musical

**What:** Fairy Tale Musical Theatre's presentation of the original play "Jack, the Giant and the Enchanted Garden."

**When:** 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

**Where:** The Pixy Theater, 111 S. Walnut St. in Edinburgh.

**Admission:** Donations of any amount to defray expenses at the Pixy.

Same this year in Cecile Beavin's original and whimsical 75-minute show, "Jack, the Giant, and the Enchanted Garden" to be presented at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Pixy Theatre, 111 S. Walnut St. in Edinburgh. Beavin's shows, featuring what others have called professional caliber costuming and sincere storytelling with a non-preachy, life lesson interwoven, have sometimes packed the Pixy in the past.

And though she frequently recruits theatrical newcomers such as Mercer, Beavin also is serious enough about a show to mandate a few consecutive days of rehearsal as the date of the curtain rising grows closer. Someone playfully asked Mercer if that much stage work eventually would make him worthy of a Tony Award nomination or somesuch. He laughed heartily.

"I don't think I would go quite that far," Mercer said.

The Columbus counselor and playwright's story unfolds in an abandoned garden 20 years after Jack has cut down the bean stalk belonging to the Giant. She thought of such as she sat down to write for a simple reason.

"Oh, I always wanted to climb the bean stalk (as a child)," Beavin said.

In this story, the big guy spends most of his time out of sight while other characters mostly fear him, reasoning that he is still smoldering over Jack's cutting things down to size.

"They're all afraid of just what he might do," Mercer said.

No need for such, as it turns out. And here we offer a spoiler alert.

"All the guy really wants is some jelly beans," Mercer said.

Fair enough. So Mercer is asked if he himself likes jelly beans.

A thought. A pause.

"Listen — you don't get a belly like I've got from being a picky eater," he said.

Well, listen — there's plenty more to the story and ample, mystical symbolism connecting to ele-



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

**Above:** The character of Jackbean is shown in a scene with Gerard the Giant (Buddy Mercer) in the show "Jack, the Giant, and the Enchanted Garden" being presented Sunday in Edinburgh. **Left:** The character of Spy-dra is shown.

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## OBITUARIES

NORTH VERNON

**Oren Abbett Jr.**

Oran "Butch" Abbett Jr., 66, of North Vernon passed away at 12:04 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, 2022 at

Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis.

Butch was born May 19, 1956, in Columbus, the son of Oran Kenneth and Mary Virginia Taulman Abbett Sr.

Mr. Abbett served in the United States Army stationed in Germany from 1974 until his honorable discharge in 1978. He retired from Arvin Industries after 28 years of service and Aisin USA after 15 years of service.

Butch loved the outdoors and spending time with his family especially his grandchildren. He was an avid Purdue basketball fan and also loved sitting around bonfires. Working on lawn mowers was one of his favorite things to do in his spare time.

Butch will be greatly missed by his family and those who knew him best.

Survivors include his children, Amanda (Tanner) Resch of North Vernon and Jason Mace of Seymour; grandchildren, Greyson Resch, Zoey Kiefer, Taylor Hartwell; siblings, Beverly Abbett, Kate (Jack) Gray, both of Edinburgh, James Abbett of Columbus, Sue Capps of Greensburg; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The funeral service was conducted at Barkes, Weaver & Glick Funeral Home in Columbus with Pastor LaBanon Bingham officiating.



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Burial was at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh. Military honors were presented by the Bartholomew County Veterans Honor Guard.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Seymour Moose Lodge No. 418.

Online condolences and special memories may be shared with Butch's family and a video tribute may be viewed at [barkesweaverglick.com](http://barkesweaverglick.com).

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**Teri Lynn Baker**

Teri Lynn Baker, 63, of Edinburgh, passed away Nov. 3, 2022 at her home.

Teri was born Jan. 12, 1959 in Rensselaer, the daughter of William Whitesell and Norma Jo Downing Russell. She married David Allen Baker on Jan. 14, 2017. He survives.

Teri loved spending time in the outdoors. She enjoyed fishing, gardening, and camping. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her husband, her daughter, and her grandchildren.

Teri is survived by her husband; her mother Norma Jo Miller of San Diego, California; her daughter Ami Lynn Whitfield of Columbus; her step-children Dawyne David Baker of Edinburgh, Darren Allen Baker of North Vernon, and Joanna Durham of Edinburgh; a granddaughter Isabella Lynn Jean Abbott; 15 step-grandchildren; a brother Randy (Michelle) Russell of Trafalgar, Indiana; a sister Geri Auxier of Indianapolis; as well



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as several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father; as well as a brother, Rodger Russell.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022 at the Jewell-Rittman Family Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of the funeral service.

Burial will be at Garland Brook Cemetery.

You are invited to view the livestream of the funeral service on Wednesday, and send a message to the family via the funeral home website [www.jewellrittman.com](http://www.jewellrittman.com).

EDINBURGH

**Michael Gelsumino**

Michael Gelsumino, 59, of Edinburgh passed away Oct. 30, 2022 at his residence. He was born Aug. 16, 1963 in Chicago, Illinois. He was the son of Louis and Sonia (Christiensen) Gelsumino.

He is survived by his sister, Debbie (Pat) Sullivan of Algonquin, Illinois and his significant other, Lisa Johnson of Edinburgh.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Michael was a gifted and talented carpenter. He enjoyed spending time with his friends, helping others, being outdoors, working in his garden and watching football games.

A funeral service was conducted at Eskew-Eaton Funeral Home in Edinburgh. Burial was at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburgh.



GELSUMINO

## GOOD OLD DAYS

75 years ago: Officers for the WSCS Of the Methodist Church are Mrs. Paul Browning, president; Miss Fata Fordyce, vice president; Mrs. George Carter, secretary; and Mrs. Carl Allison, treasurer.

70 years ago: Lester Burton scores 14 points and Jimmy Giles adds 13 points as the Edinburgh Maroons defeat the Mount Auburn Rangers by a score of 49-52.

65 years ago: Edinburg Schools Superintendent Leonard Ireland announces that the Edinburg PTA's annual supper and Fall Festival raises over \$750.

60 years ago: Edinburg freshmen vote to have Marilyn Burton, Judy Campbell, Nanci Cutsinger, Sherri Bevis and Sandy Gerline as the ninth grade cheerleaders.

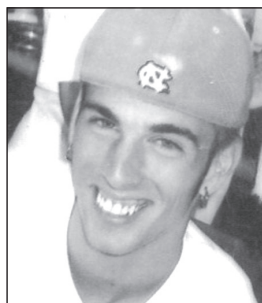
55 years ago: Gary Price is voted Most Valuable Runner and his brother Jesse Price is voted Most Improved Runner for the Edinburg varsity cross country team.

50 years ago: Two Edinburg High School students, Beth Michener and Melinda Duncan, will compete in the Miss Indiana Teen-Ager Pageant at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

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**Jeffrey Aaron  
Martin**

**JAN. 27, 1986  
NOV. 12, 2005**

I miss you Jeff every day. I miss your smile.  
I miss the way you made you laugh  
I miss those beautiful blue eyes.  
You will always be with me in my mind and heart.  
I will miss you until I see you again.  
I will always love you.  
Mom, Dad and Family

**Write a letter to Santa this holiday season**

This holiday season, the Daily Journal will continue the tradition of publishing a special section of children's letters to Santa Claus.

The best way to send letters is via email to [santa@dailyjournal.net](mailto:santa@dailyjournal.net).

We will also accept written clearly written letters or drawings via mail at Letters to Santa, Daily Journal, P.O. Box 699, Franklin, IN 46131.

The deadline to submit all material is Nov. 11.

The section will be published on Dec. 3, with copies inserted into the Daily Journal print edition and an electronic version will be posted online.

We cannot promise the publication of all drawings, but we will publish as many as possible.

For more information call 317-736-2726.



# Girls basketball starts season with three wins

As the fall season had its last hurrah with its awards program, the winter season heated up with the start of varsity girls basketball. The varsity Lancers, along with the fifth and sixth grade girls, each earned a victory in the period.

Edinburgh's varsity girls went to Beech Grove to kick-off the new season on Wednesday evening. The Lancers were out-gunned in this one, falling 47-25 to the Hornets. In the game, Kyah Streeval led the Lancers with 12 points, Cloee Britton scored five, Kenna Streeval four and Gracie Crawhorn four.

Playing at home Nov. 2, the fifth and sixth grade Lancer girls faced Brown County. In the evening's opener, the fifth grade was victorious, 24-4 over the little Eagles. Xayla Watt led the way with 10 points, Reese Smith added four, Cambria Smith four, Kenzley Emerson four, and Whitney Graham two. This win improved them to 3-0 on the season. The sixth grade moved to 2-1 on the season as the evening then ended with another strong performance for the young Lancers as they defeated the visitors, 37-7. Lilly Bruno had the hot hand scoring 18 points followed closely by Lucy Buck with 15, Addalyn Johnson added two and Zayla Watt two.

Friday evening was the varsity girls home opener with them facing Central Christian Academy. The good guys took control early and cruised to a 58-16 win to even their record at 1-1. Senior Gracie Crawhorn was the Lancers' top scorer with 16 points, Kyah Streeval had 12, Kenna Streeval nine, Lillie Goff eight,



Brian Ingels

## Lancer Notebook

Cloee Britton eight, Bella Turner three, and Shyleigh Gobel two.

Rounding out the week, the sixth grade girls participated in the Johnson County tourney at Custer Baker in Franklin on Saturday morning. They were ousted from the tourney in the opening round by Indian Creek, 32-8. Deuces were wild for the girls as Lucy Buck, Lilly Bruno, London Weddle, and Reese Smith all put in two points apiece.

## Fall awards

The following are the Lancer athletes and their awards presented at last week's Fall Awards Program:

### Tennis

Varsity: Bailey Totten, Austin Brockman, Braylon Lenkner, Teddy Crawhorn, Jayson Music, Max Blandford, Milas Burkman

JV: Anduan Chavez

Captains: Max Blandford, Austin Brockman

MVP: Max Blandford, Austin Brockman

Most Improved: Milas Burkman

Team Sportsmanship: Teddy Crawhorn

Mental Attitude: Bailey Totten

All-Conference: Max Blandford

### Cross Country

Varsity: Alanna Hobbs, Shyleigh Gobel, Lillie Goff, Irving Luis-Orozco, Brian Callejas, Ethan Campbell

### Golf

Varsity: Jillian Turner, Izzy Richardson, Macie Blandford, Gracie Myers, Hannah Pile, Ceira Myers, Cloee Britton, Bella Turner

Team Medalist: Izzy Richardson  
Low Stroke Average: Izzy Richardson  
Most Improved: Jillian Turner  
Sportsmanship: Gracie Myers  
All-Conference: Izzy Richardson  
Macie Blandford, Jillian Turner, Gracie Myers.

### Volleyball

Varsity: Zoey Sida, Kyah Streeval, Caelan Long, Jessica Walsh, Gracie Crawhorn, Mia Dodson, Mackenzie Bieker, Kenna Streeval, Lexi Riley  
JV: Jasmine Hester, Gracie Lawson, Jaycee Burton

Ninth Grade: Kenzie Steinke

Captains: Kyah Streeval, Gracie Crawhorn

Dig Award: Gracie Crawhorn

Assist Award: Kyah Streeval

Serving Percentage: Jessica Walsh

Kill Award: Gracie Crawhorn

Mental Attitude: Kyah Streeval

All-Conference: Gracie Crawhorn

Honorable Mention: Jessica Walsh, Kyah Streeval

JV Mental Attitude: Gracie Lawson

JV Most Improved: Jasmine Hester

JV Leadership: Lexi Riley

### Football

Varsity: Blaze Jensen, Caleb Dewey, Jared Myers, Gabe Bennett, Jackson Hartwell, Cole White, Braylon Bryant, Enrique Callejas, Caleb Murphy, Skyler Bennett, Jarrett Turner, Conner Ramey, Elijah Bryant, Joseph Greathouse, Samson Parkhurst, Irving Luis-Orozco, Riley Peavler, Jayden Childers, Brayden Cratty, Bryce Jett, Nic Coy, Dakota Graw, Devyn Milburn, Dylan Graw, Mason

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## SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

### Golfer recognized

Izzy Richardson of Edinburgh was named honorable mention on The Republic's all-area golf team and the Daily Journal's all-county team. The junior averaged 46.3 per nine holes played.

### HSE grad

Edinburgh Adult Education would like to congratulate David Willard on earning his HSE (GED).

Classes meet twice a week at Edinburgh Community High School for students 16 and up. Interested students should contact Julie Redd at 317-392-2197.



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### Past yearbooks now online

You can view yearbooks from 1920 and up on ECSC's website. Go to the alumni page at [https://www.ecsc.k12.in.us/about\\_us/alumni](https://www.ecsc.k12.in.us/about_us/alumni)

The alumni plan to continue to add more yearbooks as they get them.

If you have a yearbook that is not on the site, please send an email to [bstraugh@ecsc.k12.in.us](mailto:bstraugh@ecsc.k12.in.us).



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BY FAMILY FEATURES

As you gather with loved ones for the holidays, you can enhance the magic of the season by adding Chispa - a special spark - to your dinner table. It's as easy as adding classic Mexican dishes to your menu.

The key to adding this special spark is using authentic Mexican ingredients, which you can find in recipes like Chorizo and Oaxaca Tamales and Oaxaca, Potato and Chorizo Empanadas. These flavorful dishes feature delicious additions from Cacique, one of the country's top authentic Hispanic food brands, that the whole family will love.

When planning your flavor-fueled festivities, consider these must-have

ingredients.

- **Chorizo:** Whether pork, beef or soy, chorizo adds the spices and hearty flavors of Mexican cuisine to any recipe.

- **Oaxaca:** Similar in flavor to mozzarella but even meltier, you can enjoy this buttery cheese in many dishes.

- **Crema Mexicana:** With a neutral, fresh-tasting flavor and silky, pourable texture, this everyday table cream is used for balancing spicy dishes.

Find more delicious additions to your holiday menu at [CaciqueFoods.com](http://CaciqueFoods.com).

## Chorizo and Oaxaca Tamales

Prep time: 60 minutes

Cook time: 60 minutes

Servings: 10-12

40 dried corn husks

Water

3 packages Cacique Pork, Beef or Soy

Chorizo

1 medium onion (about 1 cup), minced

8 pounds basic tamale dough, at room

temperature

3 packages (10 ounces each) Cacique

Oaxaca Cheese, cut into 1/2-inch strips

Tamale steamer

Cacique Crema Mexicana, for serving

Cacique Homestyle Mild Salsa, for serving

In large bowl, cover corn husks with boiling water and soak at least 1 hour. Remove excess water and pat each husk dry.

In large skillet, cook chorizo according to package instructions. Add onions; saute over medium heat until translucent, about 5 minutes. Cool thoroughly.

To make tamales: Prepare one husk at a time by placing husk on open palm, smearing 3 tablespoons tamale dough on husk from side to side and to bottom, leaving 3 inches of top untouched for folding. Place 1 tablespoon chorizo mixture in center and top with one strip of Oaxaca. Fold 1/3 of husk to left and 1/3 to right, overlapping; pinch bottom to seal and gently fold over top to create small rectangle.

Add adequate room temperature water to tamale steamer and set steamer grate. Place formed tamales, vertically and upside down, tightly packed. Once first layer of tightly packed tamales is complete, begin second layer of tamales horizontally.

Cover and steam over medium-high heat 45 minutes-1 hour. Check water level at 45 minutes. If water is low, gently add hot water to side of pot.

Remove one tamale to check doneness. Tamale is cooked when dough separates from husk when unwrapping. Serve hot with crema and salsa.



## Oaxaca, Potato and Chorizo Empanadas

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes

Yield: 24 empanadas

Dough:

1 stick, plus 6 tablespoons, cold unsalted butter, cubed

4 cups all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup warm water

1 egg, at room temperature, whisked

Filling:

1 package Cacique Pork Chorizo

2 russet potatoes, cubed

5 ounces Cacique Oaxaca Cheese, cubed

1 egg, well-beaten, for egg wash

Preheat oven to 350 F.

To make dough: Use pastry cutter or fork to cut butter into flour until it forms crumbly consistency. Sprinkle in salt and stir. Pour in warm water and egg; stir until clumpy dough forms. Knead dough about 5 minutes. Cut dough into 24 pieces and, using hands, roll each piece into ball. With rolling pin, roll balls evenly into 5-6-inch circles.

To make filling: In pan over medium heat, cook chorizo, stirring until it crum-

bles. Add cubed potatoes. Cover and cook until potatoes are soft then uncover and cook 5-10 minutes until liquid evaporates.

Fill empanadas by placing 2-3 tablespoons chorizo and potato mixture with 2-3 Oaxaca cubes in each dough circle. With finger, run egg wash across one side of circles. Fold over and seal edges by pressing down with fork or create folds and pinch to seal filling inside. Brush tops with egg wash.

Prepare parchment-lined baking sheets and place empanadas on sheets. Bake 12-15 minutes until golden-brown.

## COMMUNITY CHATTER

### Heritage Tasting: Scotch & Bourbon

Tickets are on sale for Heritage Tasting: Scotch & Bourbon set for Nov. 10, 6-8 p.m. at Timbergate Golf Community

As Edinburgh celebrates this milestone year, the events honors the town's Scottish ancestry. At this ticket-only event, guests will get to sample from selected scotch and bourbons, take home a commemorative bicentennial glass, hear some of Edinburgh's history in whiskey production, enjoy local food and win prizes.

Tickets are \$35 available for people over 21 at <https://edinburgh-bicentennial-organization.square.site/>.

### Community prayer

A community prayer night will be held Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. at Edinburgh Parks and Rec center.

Doors open at 6:45. Everyone welcome.

### Firewood sale

Johnson County Park will have a firewood sale 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday at the park, 2949 E. North St., Nineveh.

Firewood, which is mixed but mostly seasoned ash, is \$50 per rick, limit two per household and first-come first-served while supplies last. Customers must load the wood themselves. Pay at the park office.

Information: 812-526-6809

### Cookie walk

The United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church of Columbus will host their 32nd Annual Cookie Walk on Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. to noon.

A variety of homemade decorative and specialty cookies, including allergy-free and vegan treats, will be available for \$7 a

pound. Fudge, divinity and other candies will be sold for \$5 a half-pound.

The Cookie Walk will take place in the Fellowship Hall of the church, which is located at 618 8th St., Columbus. Pre-orders are now being taken by calling the church at 812-372-2851.

### Christmas bazaar

Beta Sigma Phi's 54th Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Dec. 3 at East Side Elementary School. Admission is free. The event features over 100 booths with handmade crafts, baked goodies, quality gifts and more. Door prizes are given every hour.

Booths are still available.

### Nineveh Senior Center

The Nineveh Senior Center, 3208 Rodeo Drive, Johnson County Park (next to horse park), for people 50 and older.

Nov. 11: Pitch-in luncheon (annual Thanksgiving dinner) and members meeting, noon to 1:30 p.m.

Nov. 18: Food box distribution, 9-11 a.m. Low-income Johnson County residents over 60 can call 317-739-9999 to get qualified for the food box program.

Nov. 21: Bingo with prizes, 1-3 p.m. Free coffee provided, pop and water for sale.

Nov. 21: Pizza provided by Compass Parke of Franklin, 11:30-12:30 p.m.

Dec. 7: Craft class, Christmas decorations, 3-4 p.m.

Dec. 7: A special dinner and Christmas music provided by Church of the Lakes, 4-5 p.m.

New members are welcome. Membership is \$15 per year. Call Janet Wolfe, 812-376-3671, to join.

Information: Jon Myers, 812-343-4229, [www.ninevehseniorcenter.org](http://www.ninevehseniorcenter.org)

## AT THE LIBRARY

### Library craft

Edinburgh Wright-Hageman Public Library will offer Fairy in a Jar or Dino in a Jar Nightlights as its November Crafting at Home kit.

The kits include a glass jar, tissue paper, a fairy or dinosaur silhouette, a battery operated tea light and Mod Podge.

This is a free, all ages craft. Sign-ups are being taken until Nov. 23. Kits will be available for pick up on Nov. 28.

To sign up for any craft, contact the library during the registration dates at 812-526-5487 or in person at the Circulation Desk.

### Send a letter to Santa

Beginning Nov. 28, the library will offi-

cially begin accepting letters to Santa. This annual event is marked by the giant mailbox inside the library.

All ages are welcome to submit a letter. Simply place your letter to Santa in the giant mailbox before Dec. 16 and get a guaranteed response from St. Nick.

All letters must include a return address so Santa can write back. You can write a letter at home on your own paper and drop it in the mailbox or you can use one of the library's pre-printed letters.

### Library hours change

The library has switched to its winter hours. Until March 1, hours will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Computers will shut off 45 minutes before closing.



### High school to host veterans ceremony

Edinburgh Community High School will host a ceremony for veterans on Nov. 11, 9-10 a.m. in the gym. The public is welcome to attend. This is the ceremony that has been hosted at East Side in the past.

A breakfast for the vets will be served in the cafeteria at 8 a.m. Call 812-526-2682 to RSVP.

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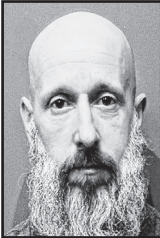
## Edinburgh man to serve 6 years for threats

An Edinburgh man who sent a woman 2,000 threatening text messages in five days will spend six years in prison.

Welby Johnson, 43, pled guilty to one count of stalking, a Level 5 felony, and one count each of invasion of privacy and intimidation, both Level 6 felonies, before Johnson County Circuit Court Judge Andy Roesener on Oct. 6. As part of a plea agreement, three counts of invasion of privacy, and two counts of intimidation, all Level 6 felonies, were dismissed, according to online court records.

He was sentenced the same day to six years in prison, with a jail credit of 226 days. He was also recommended to participate in a Recovery While Incarcerated program, online court records show.

Johnson was first accused of violating a protection order, which was issued in December 2020 and served in February 2021, on March 15, 2021, when he sent the victim a text saying, "you better get a gun," according to a probable cause affida-



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The victim told Franklin police Johnson was upset she had filed invasion of privacy charges against him. She said she was scared of him and did not want officers to speak with him because she was afraid it would make things worse. Police told the victim to stay with a friend for a couple of days, and to call 911 if Johnson came to her house, according to court documents.

The victim received hundreds of messages from Johnson's phone. He seemed to be extremely agitated in the messages, and became increasingly agitated when she did not respond, eventually threatening to kill her and her family, court documents show.

## Health department, coroner's office to combine space

As Johnson County grows, its public services need to keep up with it.

County officials are grappling with many departments outgrowing their current spaces. The county health department and coroner's office are two departments long in need of their own buildings. That need could soon be answered, as plans for new county building have been drawn up.

Officials this summer commissioned designs for a new health department and coroner's office combined building on land at the corner of Drake Road and Hospital Road in Franklin.

These plans are a long-time coming, as

the county has owned the 1.8 acre Drake Road property for several years, and could not decide what to do with it, said Kevin Walls, Johnson County commissioner.

It was once going to be dedicated for a new community corrections building, but those plans were scrapped because officials thought it could be too packed in that space, Walls said.

Plans for the property were revived earlier this year, where early discussions and designs included putting the health department, highway department and coroner's office in one building. But the highway department plans were also scrapped because it would not fit, Walls said.

"There were just a lot of chess pieces moving around," Walls said.

These current plans for the health and coroner's office combined building are in a more solid place, Walls said. County officials recognize the need to give the two departments larger spaces to perform efficiently, he said.

The coroner's office especially has not been as utilized or prioritized as it should be in recent years, Walls said. The office performs its services out of three different locations across the county, and it has been that way for years.

Similarly, the health department has long outgrown the suite the county rents at 460 N. Morton St. in Franklin.

For more information on these stories, go to [www.dailyjournal.net](http://www.dailyjournal.net) or [www.therepublic.com](http://www.therepublic.com).

## IN GOOD HEALTH

• Be Well Crisis Helpline supports the mental health needs of Hoosiers during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing 24/7 access to experienced counselors. Call 211.

• ASSIST is a Franklin-based nonprofit program that provides services for people (age 5 and over) affected by sexual, domestic and physical violence at any point in their life. For an appointment, call 317-739-4456.

• Claim Aid Counselors are available to help Johnson County residents through the Health Insurance Marketplace application process or to enroll in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP 2.0). 317-346-3736 or email [billquestion@johnsonmemorial.org](mailto:billquestion@johnsonmemorial.org) for information.

• Connect2Help 2-1-1 helpline: Free, assists with housing, parenting, transportation, education, health care, employment and more. Call 211 or 317-926-4357.

• Grief Share, meets Mondays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at The Crossing, 8728 S. Nineveh Road, Nineveh.

• Indiana Tobacco Quitline: free phone-based counseling service to help smokers quit. If enrolled in the QNI program, you get a two-week supply of nicotine replacement therapy gum or patches, while supplies last. 1-800-QUIT-NOW (800-784-8669).

• Recover Out Loud (addiction support): An open meeting is held 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Edinburgh Parks and Recreation building, 722 S. Eisenhower Drive. Info: [recoveryoutloudinc.org](http://recoveryoutloudinc.org)

• Tara Treatment Center Inc. Alcoholics Anonymous J.J. Memorial Group, 7-8 p.m. Fridays. 812-526-2611

Items for In Good Health may be sent to The Courier, P.O. Box 699, Franklin, IN 46131 or e-mailed to [courier@dailyjournal.net](mailto:courier@dailyjournal.net). Info: 317-736-2726

## JAIL BOOKINGS

## The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Johnson County jail:

Joshua Lee Barnes, 35, Edinburgh; arrested on charges of domestic battery, resisting law enforcement and disorderly conduct; held without bond.

DJ Tony Ray Cyrus, 52, Edinburgh; arrested on a charge of maintaining a common nuisance-alcohol; \$300 bond.

Joshua Wayne Baker, 39, Edinburgh; arrested on

charges of resisting law enforcement and operating a vehicle without ever obtaining a license; \$2,200 bond.

## The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Bartholomew County jail:

Matthew W. Robertson, 37, 6747 State Road 252, Edinburgh, arrested on a Bartholomew County warrant; \$10,000 bond.

## Theatre

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ments such as to the theater's red velvet curtain backdrop. And Beavin remains true to form, offering a staggering smorgasbord of song clips while she plays piano, husband Michael sings and Monsignor Fred Easton plays fiddle in the show.

"He's such a wonderful guy," Beavin said.

Tunes range from the Beatles' "A Hard Day's Night," appropriately sung by the garden's Beetlebals, to Tchaikovsky's "Serenade For Strings," for Beavin has

never met a musical mashup she cannot make work.

The production deals handily with transformations, as evidenced by the opening and closing number, "In the Bulb There is a Flower." And sprouting hither and yon in Beavin's not-so-secret garden is the language of the yin and yang of life: spring awaiting under a snow; butterflies forming in cocoons; an apple tree in a seed.

Promise planted centerstage, you might say.

Beavin, a former Benedictine Catholic nun, loves the writing process that she does for her shows each year.

"It is," she said, "one of the most spiritual experiences I have."

## Lancer

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Calhoun, David Riddle, Isiaha Stenike, Keegan Smith

Managers: Eli Turner, Addyson Chandler, Eloise Cox, Bailey Nelson, Brandon Crase, Ethan Campbell, Max Sanchez

Mental Attitude: Jayden Childers

MVP: Jarrett Turner

Most Improved Offense: Braylon Bryant

Lineman of the Year: Mason Calhoun

Scoring Leader: Caleb Dewey

Most Improved Defense: Jackson Hartwell

Tackles Leader: Keegan Smith

**Middle School Volleyball**

Seventh Grade: Lilly Bryant, Hayleigh Suns,

Shyla Watt, Halle Turner, Gracelyn Adcock, Kaydra Peters, Lucy Buck, Lilly Davis

Serving Award: Shyla Watt

Assist Award: Halle Turner

Dig Award: Lucy Buck

Kill Award: Gracelyn Adcock

Mental Attitude: Kaydra Peters.

Eighth Grade: Mia Smith, Faith Smith, Chloe

Hancock, Presley Tetrick, Brooke Cravens, Madison Britton, Kinzie Purvis, Makayla Ludlow

Serving Award: Brooke Cravens

Assist Award: Kinzie Purvis

Dig Award: Faith Smith

Kill Award: Madison Britton

Mental Attitude: Presley Tetrick.

**Middle School Cross Country:** Gracie Burton, Cameron Fisette, Emilee Cox, Julian Espino, Kayden Talbot, Kendall Bennett, London Weddle, Mason Burton, Nora Wilkinson, Addalyn Johnson, Reese Smith, Reiney Burton.

## On tap

**Thursday**

Boys MS basketball at Brown County, 6 p.m.

**Friday**

Girls varsity basketball, at home vs. Shelbyville, 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday**

Girls 5&6 basketball, at home, 5th and 6th Grade Tourney, 9 a.m.

**Monday**

Girls 5&6 basketball, at home vs. Indian Creek, 5 p.m.

Boys MS basketball at Seymour, 6 p.m.

**Tuesday**

Girls 5&6 basketball, at home vs. Custer Baker, 5 p.m.

Girls varsity basketball, Round 1 of Johnson County Tourney, at home vs. Whiteland, 7 p.m.

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## RESTAURANT INSPECTIONS

The information below was compiled from reports of the health departments of Bartholomew and Johnson counties. Critical violations may expose customers to illnesses and typically must be corrected immediately or within days. Noncritical violations, if not corrected, could lead to critical violations more likely to occur.

### Greek's Pizzeria

114 E. Main Cross St.,  
Edinburgh

Critical: 0

Non-critical: 6

### Big Woods

11622 North East Executive Drive Suite 6020, Edinburgh

Oct. 10

Critical violations: 1

Backsiphonage prevention device; a double check valve is required if a spray nozzle is attached on the hose in the mop area sink.

### Subway

12177 North Executive Drive,  
Edinburgh

Oct. 11

Critical violations: 1

Separation of poisonous or toxic materials shall be stored so they cannot contaminate food, equipment, utensils, linens, and

single-service and single-use articles. Two spray bottles with disinfectant glass cleaner were stored underneath the hand washing sink with packaged chips and single-use articles.

Noncritical violations: 1

### Snappy Tomato Pizza

12181 North Executive Drive,  
Edinburgh

Oct. 11

Critical violations: 0

Noncritical violations: 6

### Burger King

10385 North US 31, Taylorsville

Oct. 12

Critical violations: 1

Mechanical ware washing machine is not dispensing sanitizer pellets in wash cycle. If ware washer is not dispensing, all utensils and ware washing must be done in the three compartment sink until working properly.

### Waffle House

10220 North us 31, Taylorsville

Oct. 13

Critical violations: 0

Noncritical violations: 4

### Applebee's Neighborhood Grill

11860 North US 31, Edinburgh

Critical violations: 0

Noncritical violations: 4

# Operation Bundle Up distribution set for Thursday in Franklin

## DAILY JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

With winter right around the corner, the United Way of Johnson County wants to be sure children and their families throughout the county are ready for colder weather.

The agency will host its Operation Bundle Up event from 4 to 7 p.m. Nov. 10 at Turning Point Church, 3600 N. Morton St., Franklin. New and gently used coats will be distributed, along with gloves, mittens, hats and other warm-weather gear.

Operation Bundle Up is for Johnson County residents with children only. All children must be accompanied by an adult in order to receive a coat. Adults must bring ID and proof of Johnson County residency.

No prior registration is required; families can come to Turning Point Church to sign up.

For more information, call United Way of Johnson County at 317-736-7840 or visit uwjc.org.



DAILY JOURNAL FILE PHOTO

Participants get help picking out hats during Operation Bundle Up in 2019, the last time the coat and winter wear distribution was held in person.

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