



THE NEWS GAZETTE

Informing Our Community With Hometown News Since 1844

Reaching over 13,500 READERS in our printed products and 19,000 MONTHLY UNIQUE VISITORS online at www.winchesternewsgazette.com

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020

WWW.WINCHESTERNEWSGAZETTE.COM Copyright 2020 • Volume 176 • Issue 84

\$2.00

Union City Lions Club Whole Hog Sausage PANCAKE DAY

Article Submitted

The Pancake Day will be held on Nov. 7, 2020 (6:00AM to 12:00 PM) and because of COVID 19 will be a Drive-Through/ Carryout ONLY at the alley beside the Union City Elks Club.

Meals will consist of 4 pancakes and 3 sausage patties w/butter and syrup for \$7.00.

The Drive-Through line will go through the alley on the north side of the Elks Club building heading west and will exit on to Columbia Street.

One-pound packages of sausage will be available for purchase.

The Union City Lions Club is very supportive of community events and activities. All proceeds will go to benefit local projects and statewide Lions charities.

Sponsors of this event are:

Ingle Flooring, Hub City Propane, Wasson Nursery, Aukerman Auto and Tire Service, My Favorite Flower Shoppe, Reit Price Manufacturing, Union City Country Club, The Christian Book Store, Citizens Bank, Mart's Appliance Repair and Sales, Mote Farm Service, SAVE a Lot, Kerns Bros., Inc., First Merchant's Bank, Woodcrest Lanes & BBQ, Luz Tacos, Jim's Auto Detailing, Bretz Sales & Service, FIRST Financial Bank, Carts and Parts, Tree Hill Farms, Shockney Electric, Bouser's Barn, Versailles Painting Service, Smith's Auto Service, Jo's Corner Florists, The Corner Cupboard.



Pictured in a 2019 photo is Lion Larry Applegate who "flipped" pancakes for over 20 years.

YMCA to host Annual Celebration...Virtually

By Leesa Friend-Teale, News-Gazette Publisher

Every year YMCA marks their continued success by hosting their annual dinner. The dinner not only recognizes the achievements of the local facility, but also those who help make it a success.

Jennifer Faddis, Executive Director of the Randolph County YMCA stated, "With the challenges of 2020, we want to continue to make the safety of our members, donors and staff our top priority. Therefore we have made the tough decision to cancel our "traditional" annual dinner."

Thinking outside the box, Faddis and her staff have decided to celebrate the event but just in a different manner. During the week of October 26-30, the YMCA will celebrate virtually by posting different information, various special recognitions and award winners on their Facebook page.

The lineup includes a weeklong celebration kicking off on Monday, October 26. They will host Member Appreciation Day where members are invited to stop by the YMCA for a piece of pie donated by Mrs. Wick's Pie Shop. They will also be presenting staff awards as well as recognizing their volunteers.

On Tuesday, October 27, they will recognize their event sponsors for the event.

On Wednesday, October 28 the major awards roll out for those who have helped make the community and the YMCA a success.

The first award is the 'Strong Youth Award' which recognizes a individual under the age of 18 that has done something extraordinary to help enhance or enrich the Randolph County community.

There is the 'Strong Family Award' runs along those same lines but recognizes a family who has contributed as a whole to the community as well as the YMCA.

The 'Strong Community Award' recognizes a group or organization



that has done something special or has provided leadership towards those in the Randolph County community.

The 'Lifetime Membership Award' recognizes someone who has devoted countless hours and efforts to make the YMCA a great success.

On Thursday, October 29 the YMCA will host another Member Appreciation day by inviting members to stop by and pick up a free apple and apple cider.

Donor Recognition is also slated for Thursday where those who have donated in 2020 will be recognized for their generosity. Then the YMCA will acknowledge any and all grants they have received this year as well on Thursday.

The Board of Directors will be recognized on Friday, October 30. The Board will consist of 15 members next year. The new Board Officers, Board Members and retiring Board Members will be recognized for their efforts.

Also the YMCA will still have their annual auction but they will be having Tarter Realty Auction and Appraisal Company facilitate it with an online auction. Going live on October 26 and concluding on November 9, the YMCA will have various items that have been donated by local merchants. Everyone is invited to visit www.bidtarter.com and bid on these great items where all proceeds will benefit the Randolph County YMCA.

To further celebrate, the YMCA would like to remind everyone that during the whole month of October the Joiner's Fee will be waived. This

is a savings up to \$90. Don't forget to stop by the YMCA and drop your name into the hat to win a gift basket from the YMCA as well.

History of the Randolph County YMCA

In 1979, a steering committee of community leaders was formed to discuss the recreational needs of youth in the area. With support from the professional staff of the Richmond YMCA, the Winchester Area YMCA was born.

By 1981, more than 3,000 people were participating in Y programming and 400 were members.

In 1984, the Y received its certificate of incorporation in its new name as the Randolph County YMCA, Inc.

The grand opening of the current facility was held on October 28, 1989. The new facility included a gymnasium, walking track, aerobics room, fitness room, and multi-purpose room.

In 2001, the Y stepped up to meet the childcare crisis in the community and in 2002 opened the Chenoweth Childcare Ministry, located on 700 Browne St., Winchester, IN.

In 2009, the Y opened an after-school childcare program for Randolph Southern Elementary in a facility donated by St. Vincent Randolph Hospital located on school grounds.

In June of 2013, the Y opened a new 12,100 square foot addition attached to the Y's current facility. This addition includes a licensed childcare facility for 110 children, a new lobby, and a new administrative office area.

In 2014, the Y took operations of Camp Slingshot (aka Camp Yale), a leadership development camp, to ensure the Camp did not close and remained a viable part of Randolph County.

In 2017, the Y began 24/7 access for our members.

In 2019, the Y opened a new licensed childcare center in Union City, IN.

NOTICE TO READERS



The World Health Organization has said it is safe to handle newspapers during the coronavirus pandemic.

The News-Gazette's printing plant and delivery services, though, are taking precautions, frequently cleaning equipment and facilities while reducing human contact with the newspaper.

A digital version of the print edition also can be viewed at www.winchesternewsgazette.com.

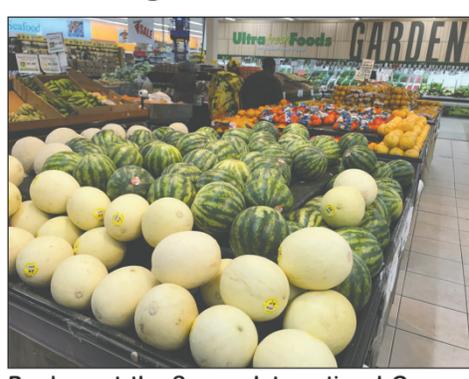
Over 725K Hoosiers receive food stamps in August, but that aid may not meet their needs

By Holly V. Hays, The Indianapolis Star

Indiana families receiving aid from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, widely known as food stamps, generally receive less than half of the lowest of food cost budgets projected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Over 725,000 Hoosiers received SNAP benefits in August, according to data from the Family and Social Services Administration, but some hunger relief advocates say the amount of aid they -- and other families across the nation -- receive is insufficient.

Due to coronavirus relief measures, each family receiving SNAP benefits is receiving the maximum allotted for their household size. Additional changes to SNAP announced in early summer included a 5% increase in benefits beginning Oct. 1. So, for example, a family of four would be receiving a maximum of \$680. However, data from January, before the novel coronavirus made its way to Indiana and before emergency measures or adjustments were put



Produce at the Saraga International Grocery at Lafayette Place Shopping Center is fully stocked on Friday, March 20, 2020.

into effect, gives a clearer picture of the amount of aid individuals and families received from the program. That month, \$67,969,036 was issued to 561,268 Hoosiers. The average amount issued to each household was \$267.69 -- less than half of the lowest of budgets for a family of four, per the USDA.

Helping Hoosiers: Overwhelmed Indiana food banks call for more food stamps to meet need.

The USDA outlines four budgets using dietary guidelines, food intake recommendations and the consumer price index to suggest general cost levels of nutritious diets for children and family units. The Thrifty Food Plan, the lowest-cost budget offered by the four, is used to determine maximum SNAP allotments.

While SNAP assistance is, as it is named, intended to be supplemental, for many, it's simply not enough, said Kate Howe, managing director of Indy Hunger Network.

"Their budgets are so stretched in terms of housing costs and rising utility costs and rising insurance costs that they don't have any flexible income," she said. "They don't have money left over, often, to spend on food from their own pocket to supplement what they're getting from SNAP or WIC or other federal nutrition programs."

SEE FOOD STAMPS, PAGE 2



INSIDE LOCAL/WEATHER 2 OBITUARIES 3 LOCAL 4 BUSINESS 5 SPORTS 6-7 CLASSIFIEDS 8 COMICS 9 LOCAL 10

DEATHS OBITUARIES, Page 3 Richard Kenneth Lackey, 75 James Thurl Fraze, Jr., 78

Daily Devotion When words are many, sin is not absent, but he who holds his tongue is wise. — Proverbs 10:19

Food for Thought Time is money. — Benjamin Franklin

Like Find us on Facebook Visit our website at: www.winchesternewsgazette.com