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CALENDAR

JOHNSON COUNTY SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

Today Events
Rocklane Christian Church, intersection of Franklin and Rocklane roads, 7 to 9:30 a.m., country breakfast; cost: \$5 all-you-can-eat; \$3 10 and younger. Proceeds go to youth programs.
Winners Circle Men's Breakfast, 8 to 9:30 a.m., Piper's Café, 172 Melody Ave. in Greenwood, off State Road 135. Cost: \$8. Reservations: 535-5973
Meetings
Overeaters Anonymous, 10 a.m., Concordia Lutheran Church, 305 Howard Road, Greenwood
Tara Men's Meeting, 7 p.m., Tara Treatment Center, 6231 U.S. 31 South, Franklin
A Program For You, 11 a.m., 50 N. Home Ave., Franklin
United We Stand Group, 8 p.m., 50 N. Home Ave.

Sunday Meetings
Acceptance Group, 7 p.m., Johnson County Park Office
JCCC 12 & 12, 1 p.m., Johnson County Work Release, 1071 Hospital Road, Franklin
Incarcerated Persons Support Group, 11:30 a.m., Abundant Grace Lutheran Church, 2425 S. Emerson Ave., Greenwood
Monday Meetings
Greenwood Rotary Club, noon, Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood
Overeaters Anonymous, 5:45 p.m., Greenwood United Methodist Church, 525 N. Madison Ave. Information: 889-0272
Bargersville Activity and Festival Association, 7 p.m., Bargersville Senior Citizens Center. Information: 422-9721
Johnson County Garden Club, 7 p.m., Christina House, Whiteland. Program: Crystal Read on use of botanicals and herbs in skin care and everyday products. Public invited. Information: 736-6060
Divorce and grief support groups, 7 p.m., Greenwood Christian Church. Child care provided. Information: 881-9336
Johnson County Shrine Club, 7 p.m., Humane Society of Johnson County, 7 p.m., Alva Neal Building, 550 E. Jefferson Street, Franklin. Walk-ins welcome. Registration and information: 346-7001
Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Community Hospital South, first-floor conference room. Information: 357-9607
Tara Group, 8 p.m., Ann's Restaurant, 77 W. Monroe St., Franklin

Tuesday Meetings
Professional Referral Exchange of Indy South, 7 a.m., German-American Klub, 8602 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Information: 902-6538
Franklin Business Networking Group, 7 a.m., Starlett Realty, 62 W. Jefferson St., Franklin. Information: 201-4278
Clark Township Homemakers, 11:30 a.m., Rocklane Christian Church
Franklin Rotary Club, noon, Franklin College campus center
Beta Sigma Phi Sorority - Whiteland, 1 p.m. Information: 535-4032
Greenwood Kiwanis Club, 6 p.m., Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood
Greater Whiteland Community Businesses, 6 p.m., Jessen Funeral Home, 729 U.S. 31 North, Whiteland. Information: 535-6880
Alzheimer's Association, support groups for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias, 6:30 p.m., Franklin Library, 401 S. State St. Information: Carrie Schroeder, 736-6141
Franklin Business Networking Group, 7 p.m., Don and Dona's restaurant. Information: 201-4278
Trafalgar Weight Watchers, 6:30 to 7 p.m., Trafalgar Christian Church (next to elementary school). Information: 878-5161
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, Morgantown Fire Station, 269 N. Highland St. Information: (812) 597-1535
Parent Support Network of Johnson County, 6 p.m., Franklin Library, 401 S. State St. Program: Pathway Family Center, facts about inhalants and family's stor. Information: 736-7840
Compulsive Eaters Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., Christ United Methodist Church Room 12, 8540 U.S. 31 South, Indianapolis. Information: 736-6234
Alzheimer's caregiver support group, 6:30 p.m., Franklin Library, 401 S. State St. Information: 736-6141
Greenwood Night Stitches, 6:30 p.m., Arms Building at Greenwood Village South, 295 Village Lane in Greenwood; Information: 882-7471
Johnson County Democratic Women's Club, 7 p.m., Christina House Assisted Living Facility, U.S. 31. Information: 738-9305
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 7 p.m., Smith Valley Baptist Church. Information: 535-7468
Bargersville Masonic Lodge 679, 7:30 p.m.
Nineveh Group, 8 p.m., Johnson County Park Office
Serenity Group, 8 p.m., Johnson County Community Corrections, 1071 Hospital Road
Chordlighters Barbershop Chorus, 7:30 p.m., practice, Grace United Methodist Church, 1300 E. Adams St., Franklin. Information: 888-6709

Wednesday Meetings
White River Rotary Club, 6:30 a.m., Pipers Café, 172 Melody Ave. in Greenwood, off State Road 135
Christian Businessmen's Committee of Greater Greenwood, 7 a.m., Denny's restaurant, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood
Business and Professional Exchange, 8 to 10 a.m., Greenwood City Building lower level, 2 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood. Information: Ron Mote, 735-2010
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 9:30 a.m., Abundant Grace Lutheran Church, 2425 S. Emerson Ave., Greenwood. Information: 780-1324
Southside A.M. Sewing Group of the American Sewing Guild, 10 a.m., Christ United Methodist Church, Stop 12 Road and U.S. 31. Information: 535-2580

• **Adoption Circle Support Group of Indiana**, information and referrals for searches, reunions and court filings. Call 592-1998 for a recorded announcement of meeting times and locations or to leave your number.
 • **Al-Anon Family Group**, support group for relatives and friends of alcoholics, meets at 7 p.m. Sundays at Valle Vista Hospital, 898 E. Main St., Greenwood. Information: 357-9607
 • **Alzheimer's Association support group** meets at Franklin Library, 401 S. State St., at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Information: Carrie Schroeder at 736-6141
 • **Alzheimer's disease support group for caregivers** meets at 7 p.m. on the first Friday of each month at Our Lady of the Greenwood Catholic Church, 335 S. Meridian St., in the lower level of Madonna Hall on the east side of the building.
 • **Alzheimer's Support Group** meets at Franklin Memorial Christian Church library, 1720 Graham Road, at 6:30 p.m. the final Monday of each month.
 • **Anger Management Group and Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Insight**, at Reach for Youth, is for youths ages 13 to 17 who have difficulty controlling anger. Series of weekly meetings teaches conflict-resolution skills and how to change thoughts, feelings and choices related to anger. Information: 738-5433
 • **Association for Epilepsy Awareness** meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at Community Hospital South. Information: 355-5824
 • **Bereavement Support Group** meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month at Americare Hospice, 799 W. Jefferson St., Franklin. Information: 736-6005
 • **Better Breathers Club**, a support group for adults suffering from chronic lung disease, meets at 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month in the Johnson Memorial Hospital board room. The group is led by a respiratory therapist from the hospital. Information: Brenda Wilkerson at 736-3261
 • **Cancer Support Group** meets from 6 to 8 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at St. Francis Home Health, 438 S. Emerson Ave., Greenwood. The group is led by a licensed therapist. Information: 257-1505
 • **Cancer Support Group** meets from 7 to 9 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at Greenwood United Methodist Church, 525 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood. Information: 881-6826
 • **Caregiver Support Group**: The Southside Greenwood Family Support Group is a weekly support group for caregivers who have loved ones with cancer. The group is led by a licensed therapist. The family group meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Francis Hospital's Home

Health/Hospice Office at 438 S. Emerson Ave. Information: 865-2080
 • **Compassionate Friends**, a self-help, nondenominational organization for parents who have lost children. Meetings at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday and third Monday of each month at First Baptist Church, 99 W. Main St., Greenwood. Information: Penni Risner at 996-3209
 • **Crisis Pregnancy Center of Johnson County** offers free pregnancy testing, information on fetal development and abortion procedures, referrals to community and government resources, counseling, basic furnishings and spiritual support to those facing a crisis pregnancy. Information: 535-6396
 • **Diabetes Support Group** is for anyone with diabetes or who would like to learn more about the disease. The group meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at 1159 Building Cancer Center lobby in the Johnson Memorial Hospital complex. The group exchanges ideas and information on nutrition, exercise and more. Information: Susie Hooten, 738-9789
 • **Diabetes Support Group** meets at 6:30 p.m. the third Sunday of each month in Classroom 2 at St. Francis Hospital Indianapolis. Anyone with diabetes and/or their significant other is welcome. Information: 782-6600
 • **Divorce Care** is a weekly support group for people separated or divorced that meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Information: Rick Davis at 736-8364
 • **Divorce and grief support group** meets each Monday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Greenwood Christian Church, 2045 Averitt Road. Child care is provided. Information: 881-9336
 • **FEMALE** is a nonprofit support organization for mothers who stay at home with their children or who have decreased their working hours to spend more time with their children. The chapter provides monthly meetings, Mom's night out and playgroups. Meetings are at the Southport Library the first Monday of each month from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Information: Carolyn Black at 881-7747
 • **Fibromyalgia** sufferers are invited to Others Understanding Chronic Hurting, a support group meeting at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1640 W. Stones Crossing Road, Greenwood. Information: 535-9673
 • **Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain Support Group** meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at St. Francis Hospital Beech Grove's Professional Building on the third floor. Reservations: 831-1177
 • **Girls Inc. of Franklin** is an after-school program open to any girl in Johnson County between the ages of 6 and 18. The center, at 200 E. Madison St., is open from 2:30 to 6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Information: Pam Jannings at 736-0043
 • **Grief Share Recovery Support Group** meets from 6:30 to

8:30 p.m. Thursdays at Mount Pleasant Christian Church's Ministry House West at Bluff Road and Bell Street in Greenwood. Information: (765) 342-1227
 • **Healing Hearts** is a support group for families and friends who have lost children. It meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Tabernacle Christian Church, 198 N. Water St. in Franklin. Information: Paula Ramey at 736-3211
 • **Helpline** at 926-4357 helps callers get assistance when they don't know who to contact, providing information about social service agencies. The free and confidential service assists callers with housing, parenting, transportation, education, health care, employment and more.
 • **Johnson County Autism Support Group** meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at SS. Francis and Clare Catholic Church, 5901 Olive Branch Road in Greenwood. Child care is provided. Information: 738-0919
 • **Johnson Memorial Hospital Bereavement Support Group** is offered to any adult who has lost a loved one. It meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at the hospital. Information: Paula Ramey at 736-3211
 • **Legacy Cancer Support Group** meets at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at Franklin Memorial Christian Church, 1720 N. Graham Road
 • **Low-vision support group** meets at 2 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Greenwood Village South, 295 Village Lane. Information: Jennifer Olsen, 466-1000, Ext. 2477, or www.east-ersealscrossroads.org
 • **Multiple sclerosis** self-help group meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1300 U.S. 31 South, Franklin. Information: Elaine Powers at 736-8709 or chapter office at (800) 344-4867
 • **Muscular Dystrophy Association of Central Indiana** provides a monthly support group for adults with neuromuscular diseases. The group meets the final Thursday of each month at Methodist Hospital and has both open discussion and guest speakers addressing topics related to disability and accessibility. Information: 824-4800
 • **National Alliance for the Mentally Ill** meets at 7 p.m. every second and fourth Thursday of the month at Adult and Child Mental Health Center, 8320 Madison Ave., Indianapolis, for those with mental illness and caregivers who have family members suffering from mental disorders. Information: 882-2401
 • **National Osteoporosis Foundation Southside Support Group** meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month except December, January and February at Greenwood Public Library, 310 S. Meridian St. Information: 885-8255

Man living on easy street leaves friends behind

ASTROGRAPH

DEAR ABBY: My best friend, "Dave," and I have known each other for 35 years, since kindergarten. Ten years ago, he married a woman from a wealthy family. It was the best and worst thing that ever happened to him.

Ever since the wedding, Dave has lost touch with his old friends from the past. He talks down to everyone who is less successful than he is. I don't think he's even aware that he's doing it.

I have tried to talk to him about it in a nonconfrontational way with no luck. Most of my problems are financial, and Dave is no longer able to relate.

I no longer enjoy having lunch with him because all he ever talks about is how well he's doing in the stock market. Every time we get together it's the same conversation.

I have invited him to go fishing, sailing, skeet shooting, even over for a bonfire I throw every year. The only activity Dave ever wants to do is play golf, which I tried for five years and still don't enjoy. My friend seems to have lost all interest in anything beyond golf and money.

Dave says he has grown, but I think he has shrunk and has become an arrogant elitist. Should I give up on this friendship?

— UP TO HERE IN MICHIGAN

DEAR UP TO HERE: Yes. Frankly, I'm surprised the friendship has lasted as long as it has. If you need my permission to



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move on, you have it. It doesn't have to be confrontational. Sometimes people just grow apart.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter, "Amelia," died giving birth to her baby girl, "Alexis."

My ex-husband and his new wife adopted Alexis. None of us wants to ignore the memory of Amelia being "Mommy," and they want Alexis to know about her real mother, but we're not sure how Alexis should address my ex-husband's wife.

Would it be appropriate for Alexis to call her "Mom" or "Mommy," and refer to Amelia as "Mother"? Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

— CONFUSED GRANDMA IN ARIZONA

DEAR GRANDMA: Please accept my sympathy for the untimely loss of your daughter. Because Alexis will never know

her birth mother, she will regard the stepgrandparent who's raising her as her "Mom" or "Mommy," and that's normal.

When Alexis is old enough to understand, she should be told of her birth mother, "Mommy Amelia," who went to heaven but loved her very much.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married nine years. "Marianne" and I have two wonderful boys and a terrific relationship, except for one thing: lousy sex.

In therapy, Marianne has confessed to me that she is not turned on by me and that there is nothing I can do to change it, I am just not her type. (I am an attractive man, but she married me for my personality.) Needless to say, I am very hurt.

Before her confession, I thought Marianne was just not sexual. Now it turns out that she is, just not with me. What do I do?

— CRUSHED IN CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

DEAR CRUSHED: It appears that your terrific relationship is based more on a platonic attraction than a physical one as far as your wife is concerned.

If that's enough for you, accept the status quo. If it's not, however, an amicable divorce might make both of you happier.

To write to Dear Abby, send your letter to: Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Your birthday:

Saturday, March 11, 2006

Even though you may continue to have flights of fancy from time to time about optimum developments in the year ahead, your true successes and real happiness will be found through your performance in the real world.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

You'll get in big trouble with those you love today if you start comparing a family member's abilities with an outsider's. Don't expect more of your kin than you would of yourself. Know where to look for romance, and you'll find it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

If you're not careful, tensions of the day could unduly stress you and make you restless and bored. The best way to counteract this is to do something productive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Don't respond naively to an acquaintance's tale of woe today. Before opening your heart and wallet, do some independent investigating on your own, or you could end up being used.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You'll be whistling Dixie today if you think associates are going to drop everything just to do your bidding. Success will elude you unless you do the job yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Be extremely careful today that you do not give the impression you are just a little bit better than those with whom you're involved. Their reactions will severely deflate your ego.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

This is a day where emotions and sen-

timents aren't likely to blend well in your affairs, personal or social. Be careful about involving friends in situations where they don't belong.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Small, thorny issues between you and your mate must not be permitted to blossom into something larger. Rather than being stubborn and arguing a point, walk off the battlefield.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Your powers of concentration aren't apt to be up to their usual high standards today. So, if you're considering doing any serious intricate work, be careful how you go about things.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Your optimism and enthusiasm are very commendable, but they could make you far more gullible than helpful today. Don't kid yourself into thinking you're going to get a free ride.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Before making any major decisions today that would affect the entire family as well as yourself, you'd be smart to hold an open forum to discuss the ramifications with everybody.

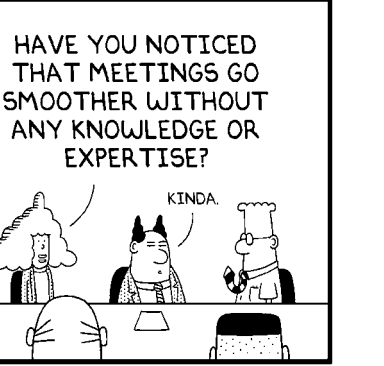
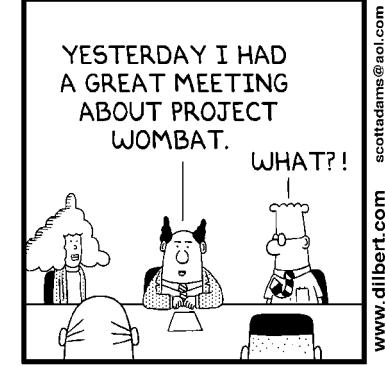
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

This could be one of those days you take on more than you can chew, where you might start a number of assignments simultaneously and then not see any of them through.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

If you are wasteful today with your own resources, that's bad enough. But if you are instrumental in helping another mismanage his/her holdings, that's inexcusable. Don't try to influence anyone.

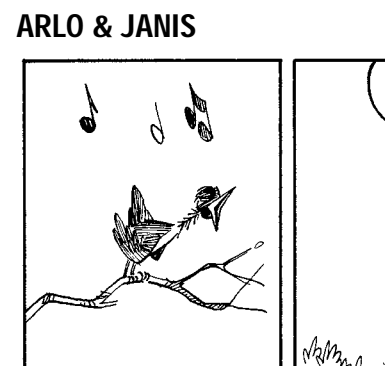
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Baby soother
 - Circulars
 - Grinace
 - Slangy refusal (hyp.)
 - Green parrot
 - Competent
 - Warrior princess
 - Button alternative
 - Painter — Chagall
 - Yellow vehicle
 - Eur. airline
 - Black mark
 - Remove, as branches
 - Hubby of Lucy
 - Fieud
 - Really went for
 - Secret romance
 - Unyielding
 - California city
 - Drawer part
 - Equitable
- DOWN**
- "— So Fine"
 - Gray-brown bird
 - Tree juice
 - Shade tree
 - Outscores
 - Hoofbeat (hyp.)
 - Cheery tone
 - Aboard ship
 - Ice hockey great
 - Director — Kazan
 - New day, briefly
 - Colo. neighbor
 - Truck stop sight
 - Formal attire
 - Excuse me!
 - Centurion's moon
 - Garden green
 - Dog show org.
 - Poker pair
 - Jungle jaunt

Answer to Previous Puzzle



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- Geishas' apparel
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- Large volume
- Carefree escapade
- Norse god
- Comic swamp critter
- Mild expletive
- Viking letter
- Psyche's beloved
- Leaf veins
- Turn signal
- Fragrant tree
- Left unseeded
- Weapons cache
- Muscle used in push-ups
- Sly tricks
- Hoax
- Part of a.k.a.
- Waterfront structure
- Giza's river
- Willow
- Stovetop item
- Old hand
- chi ch'uan