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COMING UP

Home Inside & Out

Find out how a southside woman plans to build an environmentally friendly house and how a Queen Anne-era Franklin home is getting a makeover in Your Home Inside & Out.

THURSDAY

Spreading the word

In the next year, expect to hear more about a new Catholic school in the Center Grove area and plans for church construction at two of the county's largest Christian churches.

Busy break

Several southside teachers have grants to undertake special summer projects.

THIS WEEK

FYI

Volunteers needed for county's Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Johnson County needs volunteers to help organize and plan the next signature event. Relay for Life will be conducted in Greenwood and Franklin on June 10 and 11.

Volunteers will help plan family activities and entertainment and oversee event details. Relay for Life is a 24-hour event where teams of people camp out and take turns walking a track in an effort to raise awareness and funds in the fight against cancer.

The event includes team fund-raisers, a luminaria ceremony and an inspiring cancer survivor's victory lap. **Information:** Andrea Mills, 347-6670

DEATHS

- Bargersville**
Yvonne Marie Reist, 65
- Franklin**
Albert Flake, 82
Todd James Hickman, 38
Demaree Smiley, 75
- Greenwood**
Ruth J. Chase, 89
- Indianapolis**
Lorraine Nicholas
William Leon Roddy, 84
- Elsewhere**
Lamarr "Bud" Davis, 85
Donald J. Kempf, 72
James Robert "Bob" Nix, 81

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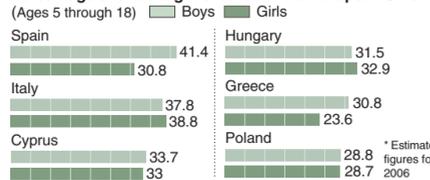
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Childhood obesity rising worldwide

Overweight kids may burden health care

The rate of overweight children is estimated to increase around the world, raising concerns of its impact on health care systems. Overweight children tend to carry the problem into adulthood.

Percentage of overweight children in the European Union*



SOURCE: International Journal of Pediatric Obesity

Study: Percentage of overweight kids to grow by 2010

By DANICA KIRKA
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The number of overweight children worldwide will increase significantly by the end of the decade, and scientists expect profound effects on everything from public health care to economies, a study published today says.

Nearly half of the children in North and South America will be overweight

by 2010, up from about 28 percent today, according to a report published by the International Journal of Pediatric Obesity.

In the European Union, about 38 percent of all children will be overweight if present trends continue, up from about 25 percent in recent surveys, the study said.

"We have truly a global epidemic which appears to be affecting most countries in the world," said Dr. Philip

James, chairman of the International Obesity Task Force and author of an editorial in the journal warning of the trend.

The percentages of overweight children also are expected to increase significantly in the Middle East and Southeast Asia. Mexico, Chile, Brazil and Egypt have rates comparable to fully industrialized nations, James said.

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COFFEE can get costly

Drinkers say Marble Mocha Macchiato is a tough monkey to get off their backs



A Starbucks customer pays for his coffee at the Franklin location. Some customers spend close to \$300 each month on deluxe coffee.

HELLO. MY NAME IS ...

Greenwood resident **Kevin Nichols** hands over about \$300 a month on coffee. His latest addiction is the Marble Mocha Macchiato.

Franklin College student **Vikki Zehr** uses plastic to feed her need for caffeine at Starbucks. She's charged \$252 for coffee on her credit card since January.

Marilyn Hash has found that keeping it simple cuts back on your Starbucks bill. The Greenwood resident spends \$74 a month at Starbucks on a simple cup of joe.

Anne Whiting and her husband are both fighting the urge to splurge on java. Between them, the Franklin couple spends about \$600 a month on coffee at Starbucks and Benjamin's Coffeehouse in Franklin.

STORIES BY JASON MICHAEL WHITE ■ PHOTOS BY SCOTT ROBERSON

People who think smoking is expensive definitely don't want to pick up the coffee habit.

A fancy cup of java can cost just as much and be equally hard to give up, Greenwood resident Kevin Nichols said.

Even so, he can't imagine starting a day without sipping on his beverage of choice, a Marble Mocha Macchiato that sells for \$4.20 for a venti, the

ON THE WEB

Want to know how much you spend per month on coffee? Find out at www.hughchou.org/calc/coffee.cgi.

largest of the three sizes Starbucks offers.

Coffee enthusiasts can spend between \$100 to \$400 a month on drinks and snacks from coffee retailers such as Starbucks.

Some coffee customers use plastic to pay for their purchases, racking up credit card debt to satisfy their need for caffeine during the day.

Franklin College student Vikki Zehr uses a credit card, which she intended to use for emergencies only, to buy a cup of Starbucks every afternoon, and twice on the weekends.

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Starbucks not hurting Franklin's smaller shops

Local coffee shop owners say they have an advantage over big-name java giants: they are unique, well-established parts of the community.

The owners of Benjamin's Coffeehouse and Deli and City View Coffee and Tea Café in Franklin say a newly arrived

Starbucks has not taken away from their business, at least not enough for them to notice.

The Franklin Starbucks opened Nov. 11 on U.S. 31.

Small coffee shops have a unique, home-type atmosphere that is more familiar than stepping into a Starbucks, which has new stores sprouting across

the United States, said Kylie Scott, a City View customer.

She does not want to drink at a coffee shop that is the same as hundreds of others across the country. She said she likes having a local place to go, that her community can call its own.

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CLOSE TO HOME: CENTER GROVE

SECOND TIME'S A CHARM FOR TROJAN

Senior earns perfect 2,400 score on SAT college entrance exam

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A Center Grove senior was curious to know if he could do any better on his college entrance exam the second time around.

His score went up by 100 points, reflecting changes on about five questions on the math

section of the three-part test.

The second time was a charm for 17-year-old Jacob Denz, who hit the highest possible score of 2,400 on his retake of the SAT exam.

"This was more of a challenge than anything else," Denz said. "I didn't think it would really happen, but I guess I just had a little more time to figure problems out." He took the test in June and

missed the bull's-eye by 100 points, missing about five questions in the math section, scoring 700 out of a possible 800 for that section.

More apt in English and writing than solving math or science problems, Denz said he felt rushed the first time he took the math section.

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Center Grove senior Jacob Denz, 17, earned a perfect score of 2,400 the second time he took the SAT.

Driver killed in accident

Mooresville man's car went off S.R. 144

By ANNIE GOELLER
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A 57-year-old Mooresville man was killed when his vehicle went off State Road 144 and flipped early Sunday morning, police said.

William R. Basey was found dead in his vehicle at 8 a.m. Sunday morning west of Bargersville, said Maj. Randy Werden, road commander of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office.

Investigators don't know what caused the accident.

Police believe Basey was driving west and missed a curve northwest of the intersection at Whiteland Road, Werden said.

Basey died from blunt force trauma to his head and multiple internal injuries, County Coroner Dave Lutz said.

His vehicle went off the road, striking trees and flipping, Werden said.

No witnesses have contacted the sheriff's office about the accident, but investigators believe it occurred between 1 and 2 a.m., Werden said.

A motorist noticed the vehicle at 7:49 a.m. Sunday and called police. A check of Basey's driving record showed his license was suspended, Werden said.

Basey was wearing his seat belt, Werden said.

Cities not spending park fees

Franklin earns \$10K, Greenwood \$1.3M

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Franklin collected nearly \$10,000 in fees in February from developers building new homes in the city.

The city of Greenwood has collected money from a similar fee for about three years, totaling \$1.3 million.

Franklin and Greenwood are collecting these fees to fund park developments for new residents. Developers have to pay a park-impact fee when they apply for a permit to build a new home.

City officials put money from that fee into an account that can only be spent on park projects for new residents.

But not a dime from the fees has been spent in either city, because Greenwood does not have a plan for how to use the money, and Franklin's plan calls for specific

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