

# COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

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## CALENDAR

## SOUTHSIDE SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

**Today**  
**Event**  
**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  
**A Program For You**, 11 a.m., 50 N. Home Ave., Franklin  
**Tara Men's Meeting**, 7 p.m., Tara Treatment Center, 6231 U.S. 31 South, Franklin  
**United We Stand Group**, 8 p.m., 50 N. Home Ave., Franklin

**Sunday**  
**Meetings**  
**JCCC 12 & 12**, 1 p.m., Johnson County Community Corrections, 1071 Hospital Road, Franklin  
**American War Mothers Indian Creek Chapter 108** with Gladys Graham, 3 p.m., 1071 W. State Road 252, 1 mile east of Trafalgar  
**Acceptance Group**, 7 p.m., Johnson County Park office

**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  
**Johnson County Shrine Club**, 6 p.m., 751 W. King St., Franklin  
**Legacy Cancer Support Group**, 7 p.m., Franklin Memorial Christian Church, 1720 N. Graham Road  
**Divorce and grief support groups**, 7 p.m., Greenwood Christian Church, 2045 Averitt Road. Child care provided. Information: 881-9336  
**Al-Anon**, 8 p.m., Community Hospital South, first-floor conference room, 1402 E. County Line Road, Indianapolis. Information: 257-2693  
**Tara Group**, 8 p.m., Ann's Restaurant, 77 W. Monroe St., Franklin

**Tuesday**  
**Meetings**  
**Professional Referral Exchange of Indy South**, 7 a.m., 48 N. Emerson Ave., Greenwood. Information: 902-6538  
**Franklin Rotary Club**, noon, Franklin College campus center  
**Greenwood Kiwanis Club**, 6 p.m., Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood  
**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  
**Compulsive Eaters Anonymous**, 6:30 p.m., Christ United Methodist Church Room 12, 8540 U.S. 31 South, Indianapolis. Information: 736-6234  
**Emotions Anonymous**, 7 p.m., Pebble Creek Community Center, 225 Pebble Creek Drive, Greenwood. Information: 859-9569  
**Healing Hearts Support Group**, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Tabernacle Christian Church, 198 N. Water St., Franklin  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)**, 7 p.m., Smith Valley Baptist Church, 4682 W. Smith Valley Road. Information: 535-7468  
**Nineveh Group**, 8 p.m., Johnson County Park office  
**Serenity Group**, 8 p.m., Johnson County Community Corrections, 1071 Hospital Road, Franklin  
**Chordlighters Barbershop Chorus**, 7:30 p.m., practice, Grace United Methodist Church, 1300 E. Adams Drive, Franklin. Information: 888-6709

**Wednesday**  
**Meetings**  
**Greenwood-White River Rotary Club**, 6:30 a.m., Piper's Café, 172 Melody Ave., State Road 135 and Main Street, Greenwood  
**Christian Businessmen's Committee of Greater Greenwood**, 7 a.m., Denny's restaurant, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood  
**JCCASA Executive Committee**, 7:30 a.m., Reach for Youth, 5401 S. Shelby St., Indianapolis  
**Business and Professional Exchange**, 8 to 10 a.m., Greenwood City Building lower level, 2 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood. Information: 735-2010  
**Columbus Star Quilters**, 9:30 a.m., Masonic Temple at Rocky Ford and Taylor roads, Columbus. Gabrielle Ryan will talk about quilt market and trends in quilting. Information: (812) 375-1127  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)**, 9:30 a.m., Abundant Grace Lutheran Church, 2425 S. Emerson Ave., Greenwood. Information: 780-1324  
**Bargersville Area Senior Citizens**, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., potluck lunch, cards; 6 to 9 p.m., music; 14 W. Old South St.  
**National Association of Retired and Active Federal Employees**, 11:30 a.m., Golden Corral, 160 Marlin Drive, Greenwood  
**Johnson County Republicans**, 11:30 a.m., D & D Club, 18 E. Jefferson St., Franklin  
**Parkinson's Disease Support Group**, 1:15 to 2:15 p.m., Franklin Senior Citizen Center, 160 E. Adams St., Franklin. Information: 736-7523 or 736-0193  
**Overeaters Anonymous**, 5:30 p.m., Greenwood United Methodist Church, 525 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood. Information: 870-9171  
**Women of the Lakes Alcoholics Anonymous**, 8 p.m., Tara Treatment Center, 357 E. Lakeview Drive, Nineveh  
**Wednesday Night Group**, 8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 E. Madison St., Franklin

- **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, Mercury Center Building, 898 E. Main St., Greenwood. Information: 257-2693
- **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 to 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at Americare Hospice, 1150 N. Main St., Suite A, Franklin. Information: 736-0055
- **Better Breathers**, a support group for adults suffering from chronic lung disease, meets at 2 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month in the second-floor board room at Johnson Memorial Hospital in Franklin. Information: Julie Menefee at 346-6292
- **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
- **Cancer support group** for people with head and neck cancer meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at St. Francis Education Center, 5935 S. Emerson Ave., Suite 100, Indianapolis. Caregivers are welcome. Information: 782-6704
- **Caregiver support group**: The Southside Greenwood Family

- **Diabetes 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

- **Healing Hearts** is a support group for families and friends who have lost children. It meets at 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Tabernacle Christian Church, 198 N. Water St. in Franklin. Information: 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 St. 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.eastersealscrossroads.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 III** 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

## Estranged son hoping for family handout

## ASTROGRAPH

**DEAR ABBY:** My son recently got in touch with me after almost four years of absolutely no contact. We had a falling-out years back, and neither of us could seem to put things behind us at the time and move on.

His mother (my wife) died 3½ years ago, and he barely made it back for the funeral.

He called after all this time to ask me for money. It seems he has fallen on hard times and needs my support. I am not sure I am in a position financially to help him, as I am nearing retirement and concerned about my own expenses. I also feel a little resentful that after all this time, the reason he called was for money.

I'm afraid if I don't help him, I will lose him forever. But should I give him money as a way to keep him in my life? I am torn about the situation. I want to be a good father and help my son, but what does that mean?

— **UNSURE IN NEW YORK**  
**DEAR UNSURE:** If your son is without a job, help him find one if you can. But do not jeopardize your retirement. Much as one might wish it, money can't buy love. Until you and your son iron out what went wrong in your relationship, such an investment would not bring you the return you are looking for.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been married for three years and had our first child 10 months ago. The problem is his



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parents want to come and visit us at least once a month. They live six hours away.

It wouldn't be bad except our house is very small and has only one bathroom. It's very uncomfortable to share a bathroom with your in-laws.

My husband doesn't see my point of view. He believes I am just being hateful and do not like his parents. I don't know what to do. I just can't take these monthly visits much longer. Please help me.

— **TRAPPED IN ATLANTA**  
**DEAR TRAPPED:** If you do not stand up for yourself now, this could continue until your child is in college.

It's time for a frank chat with your mother-in-law. Tell her that while you love her and welcome her and "Dad's" involvement with the grandbaby, you would all be more comfortable if they stayed in

a nearby hotel/motel. Of course, the same rule should apply to your parents when they come to visit.

**DEAR ABBY:** How do you make yourself like somebody if you don't like them but want to like them?

Here's the situation. I am 15 and have a stepister the same age. We have been stepisters for two years. We have never gotten along and have never liked each other. Usually, when you won't like somebody you can just avoid the person, but we have to be together and share a room every other weekend when I go to my dad's for visitation, and it would be a lot nicer if we liked each other.

It's not that either of us is a bad person, it's more of a personality conflict. How can I get myself to like her and get her to like me?

— **KANSAS CITY STEPSISTER**  
**DEAR STEPSISTER:** You are asking about the art of diplomacy and negotiation. Here's how it works. First, you find something the two of you can agree on. (Example: I love my father. You love your mother. We both want them to be happy, don't we?) And work from there.

Anything you can agree on, you take off the table. What you can't agree on, try to compromise.

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

### Your birthday:

**Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007**  
You may find yourself having strong desires to be included in something larger than life, and you are apt to participate in group activities where this is feasible. Working harmoniously with others makes it possible.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)**  
Although all it would require is a little seed money in order to prime the pump for something larger, you're apt to be afraid to spend the energy or funds necessary to do so.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)**  
If you're hoping to achieve something of considerable note, you need an ally who can and will operate on the same scale as you. Don't team up with someone who thinks in petty terms.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
Lady Luck might do her part to put you into a good position for gain, but unless you roll up your sleeves and take advantage of her groundwork, it isn't likely you'll accomplish much.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
You might get the opportunity to meet someone who is a nice person and would be a good friend, yet if you look at him or her with envy, you could nix the hand of friendship.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
You might be a better doer than you think. And instead of swinging into action on things you do well, you could allow negative thinking to cause you to waste this valuable day.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
A relationship in which you're presently involved looks pretty interesting, but if

you lump people you don't like very much into categories, no one is going to appeal to you.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
Size matters when it comes to your financial involvements. If you spend quality time on small exchanges, you'll only get small returns. Use your energy on large opportunities.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
You can win friends and influence people as a leader if you accept the blame for the mistakes made by your team as yours and not merely theirs. You'll lose others if you don't.

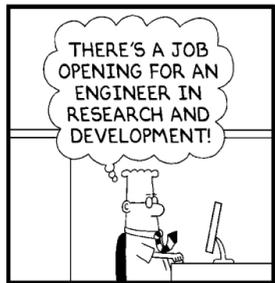
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
Something beneficial could develop for you, not necessarily through what you know but from whom you know. Recognize the truth so you don't break your arm trying to pat yourself on the back.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)**  
Testy situations will be manageable, and you can fulfill your objectives if you try. However, if you let small obstacles dilute your enthusiasm, nothing will be accomplished.

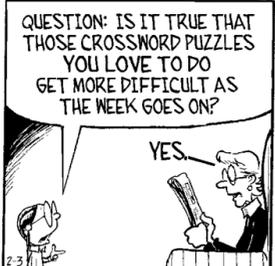
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)**  
There is every indication you can be luckier than usual when it comes to your ambitions and interests. However, because you're harboring a negative attitude, you'll give Lady Luck the boot.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
Others find you an enjoyable individual when you can live and let live. Don't nit-pick over every little thing they do or say that isn't perfect enough for you, including their looks.

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### GRAND AVENUE



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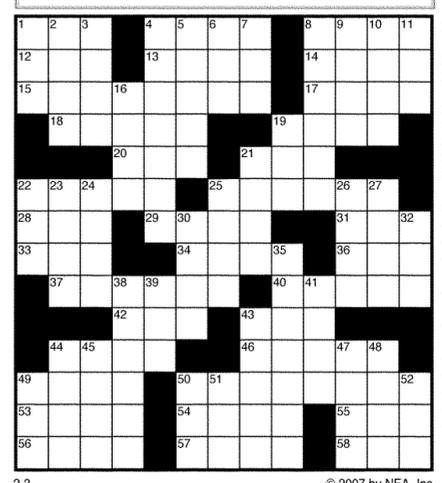
## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Not hesitate
  - Future fries
  - Room and board
  - Hawaii's Mauna
  - Polynesian carving
  - 1492 vessel
  - Sheet fabrics
  - Amblor or Clapton
  - Silt deposit
  - Grass stalk
  - Wiedersehen
  - "2001" computer
  - Give a home to
  - Miniature tree
  - Temporary job
  - Deep black
  - Ad — committee
  - Boathouse item
  - Thought
  - Possess
- DOWN**
- Jungfrau or Eiger
  - Dorm tenant
  - Weight deduction
  - Law
  - Kebab bed
  - Striped animals
  - Uxmal resident
  - Montgomery of jazz
  - Less than one
  - Fell on — ears
  - Mirage sighs
  - Good, in Guatemala
  - Festive gathering
  - "Puppy Love" singer
  - Word of mouth
  - Talk a lot
  - Predicament
  - Wave maker
  - Moon or planet

### Answer to Previous Puzzle



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- Felt boot
- Peal of thunder
- Tried for office
- Grind, maybe
- Way back when
- Cameron — of films
- Hideous giant
- Physiques
- Shout from the bridge
- Plains state
- Favorites
- News channel
- Friendly
- Safari leaders
- Lib. section
- Plus
- Wanderer
- Wine's partner
- Cartoon shrieks
- Reasoner's word
- Withered
- Loud noise
- Scrabble
- "Exodus" hero
- Diminish