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## BRIEFS LOCAL

GREENWOOD

### Developer names new vice president

A Center Grove resident has been named vice president of Duke Homes, a company developing several subdivisions in Johnson County.



McGINNIS

The company on Monday announced the promotion of Kevin McGinnis, a former president of the Builders Association of Greater Indianapolis and a member of the Johnson County Plan Commission.

"Kevin's experience and dedication to the construction industry is integral to our business philosophy," said Mike Duke, president of Duke Homes.

McGinnis is a previous recipient of the Johnson County Builder of the Year award.

McGinnis has extensive experience developing more than 650 lots, including home sites in Copperleaf and The Preserve at Copperleaf subdivisions in the Center Grove area and Clearbrook and Featherstone subdivisions in Greenwood.

This year, Duke Homes plans to develop The Abbey, a 2,000 home development and 18-hole golf course, on 1,000 acres south of Whiteland Road and between County Roads 625W and 144.

INDIANAPOLIS

### Former secretary of state to give lecture

Former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell will speak at the Block Forum Lecture Series at 7:30 p.m. March 12 at Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, 6501 N. Meridian St.

The event will include a 45-minute question-and-answer session.

Tickets are \$125 for patrons, which includes seating in the front section. Regular seating tickets are \$75.

VIP packages start at \$1,000 per person and include a 5:30 p.m. reception with Powell, photo opportunities for couples, an autographed book, dinner and patron seating at the lecture.

For information or tickets, visit www.blockforum.com or call 255-6647.

FRANKLIN

### State official to speak at college luncheon

Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman will be the guest speaker at Franklin College in celebration of Women's History Month.



SKILLMAN

Franklin College will host a luncheon and lecture March 23 in the Branigan Room of the Napolitan Student Center.

A buffet lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by remarks from Skillman.

Skillman, a Johnson County resident, served three terms in the Indiana Senate, representing five southern Indiana counties, before being named Mitch Daniels' running mate in the 2004 gubernatorial election.

Cost for the luncheon and lecture will be \$5 for Franklin College alumni and \$10 for the general public. For reservations, call the Franklin College Public Relations Office at 738-8185.

GREENWOOD

### Meeting set to help inform landowners

Landowners can attend free meetings to understand the challenges facing them. The events are sponsored by Johnson County Farm Bureau Inc.

The first meeting will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at White River Township Government Center, 4800 W. Stones Crossing Road, Greenwood.

Landowners with small acreage can learn to assess their resources and limitations regarding agriculture from Roy Ballard, Hancock County Cooperative Extension Service.

The Central Indiana Land Trust Inc. will help landowners learn how to protect their acreage from development.

Local builder Bob Weaver will show future homeowners what to look for in a home site.

The next meeting will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Feb. 20 at Whiteland Community High School, 300 Main St., Whiteland.

# Police seek two in attempted CG carjacking

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Police are looking for two suspects in an attempted carjacking in the Center Grove area two weeks ago.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office is asking the public for information concerning the whereabouts of Timothy Jackson, 21, and Roger Max Scott, 25, both of Indianapolis. Scott goes by the nickname "Cheese."

Warrants have been issued for their arrests for attempted carjacking, a Class B felony that carries up to 20 years in jail.

An Indianapolis woman, arrested last week on charges of battery and carjacking, told police she planned the crime with the men to help a co-worker leave her boyfriend. The victim later identified the men from a police photographic lineup, sheriff's detective Bryan Wolfe said.

A man told police he was leaving for work at 3 a.m. Jan. 24 when a man ran up and tried to pull him from the vehicle in the driveway of his home on Driftwood Lane near Smith Valley and Morgantown roads.

The victim closed the door and locked it. Another man tried to open the passenger side door, according to a probable cause affidavit. The second suspect

pointed a handgun at him as the first man beat on the driver's side door, the affidavit said.

The victim backed out of his driveway and sped to the first intersection, at Runyon Road.

He turned around and shined his brights to determine where the subjects went. One suspect was running toward him, according to the affidavit. He sped off and told police he believes he struck the suspect, according to police.

As he drove away, the victim saw a Pontiac Grand Prix going down a side street.

A deputy had pulled over a similar car 40 minutes before the incident after observing it driving around in circles in the Brentwood neighborhood. He identified the driver as Nicole Richards and the passenger as Jackson, according to the affidavit.

The victim identified Jackson from a photographic lineup and recognized Richards from a photo as someone he had met at a party.

Richards told police a co-worker asked that they steal her boyfriend's car and beat him up, the affidavit said. Police are investigating whether others should face criminal charges, Johnson County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Doug Cox said.

Richards told police she planned the crime with Jackson and Scott, discussing using an unloaded handgun, Wolfe said.

Richards was released from the Johnson County jail Friday on \$21,000 bond.

The suspects are considered dangerous and known to be in the area of 42nd Street and Post Road in Indianapolis, according to a news release.

Anyone with information may call the sheriff's office at 736-5155. Anonymous tips can be submitted to crimetips@johnsoncountysheriff.com.



JACKSON



RICHARDS



SCOTT

## FAMILY HONOR



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Two Franklin residents saw their grandfather's portrait hung in the governor's office Monday. Maureen Pinnick and Dorothy Mann, both of Franklin, are granddaughters of World War I flying ace and aviation pioneer Harvey Weir Cook. His portrait was added to the Hoosier Heritage Portrait Collection in the governor's office Monday. The two joined Gov. Mitch Daniels and other members of the Cook family and representatives from aviation and veterans organizations to watch the unveiling. Cook, a native of Wilkinson in Hancock County, was a pioneer in bringing Indianapolis its first principal airport. Indianapolis International Airport was known as Weir-Cook Airport from 1944-76. He was a noted flying ace and captain during World War I, credited with downing seven enemy aircraft. He later returned to military service as a lieutenant colonel in World War II. He was killed in a crash while flying over New Zealand in 1943.

# CG to screen for gifted students

Daily Journal staff report

Center Grove Community School Corp. will conduct the annual screening and identification process for its elementary gifted/talented program, the Extended Learning Program and middle school honors courses.

Students in Grades 3 through 5 will be screened for possible placement.

Students who scored a Pass Plus on the ISTEP language arts and/or math tests will be considered for the talent pool. The InView cognitive skills test was recently administered. Students with scores of 120 or higher,

along with one or both Pass Plus scores, qualify for further screening for the gifted/talented program.

Parents will receive a letter requesting permission for further testing. Parents may also nominate their child for screening by calling Evelyn Zuercher, 881-9326, by Friday.



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Marty and Jerry pride themselves on customer service and attention to detail that they show to their home buyers. They are extremely accessible to their customers and can be contacted by pager, cell phone, home phone or fax. Rather than go through secretaries or foremen to have your questions answered, customers can go straight to the builder.

At Brickyard Homes customers are walked through the entire building process, from providing references, showing previous built homes, meeting with the architect and creating the home plan. The buyer is included throughout all phases of the construction process. Brickyard Homes will also let the buyer work on different phases of the home if the buyer has the skills and inclination to do so.

Marty and Jerry have built a reputation as builders who can deliver a quality home on schedule and within budget. Their elegant great rooms, sumptuous kitchens, luxurious bathrooms, beautiful trim and cheery fireplaces are all trademarks of a Brickyard Home. For more information on building a home with Brickyard Builders please call Jerry or Marty at (317)422-8399.

## Monthly Luncheon

Wednesday, February 14 at 11:30 AM  
Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria  
Guest Speaker:  
Steve Sullivan, CEO of MIBOR



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