

# 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  
**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  
**Divorce and grief support groups**, 7 p.m., Greenwood Christian Church, 2045 Averitt Road. Child care provided. Information: 881-9336

**Zeta Chapter Tri Kappa**, 7 p.m., Franklin library Community Room  
**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  
**Johnson County Diabetes support group**, 7 p.m., Cancer Center lobby in 1159 Building at Johnson Memorial Hospital  
**Emotions Anonymous**, 7 p.m., Pebble Creek Community Center, 225 Pebble Creek Drive, Greenwood. Information: 859-9569  
**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, State Road 135 and Main Street  
**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  
**Columbus Star Quilters**, 9:30 a.m., Masonic Temple at Rocky Ford and Taylor Roads. 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  
**Southside A.M. Sewing Group of the American Sewing Guild**, 10 a.m., Christ United Methodist Church, Stop 12 Road and U.S. 31, Indianapolis. Information: 535-2580  
**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.  
**Johnson County Citizens Against Substance Abuse**, 11:30 a.m., Oren Wright Building meeting room, 80 S. Jackson St., Franklin  
**Overeaters Anonymous**, 5:30 p.m., Greenwood United Methodist Church, 525 N. Madison Ave., Greenwood  
**Mini Mystics**, 7 p.m., Johnson County Shrine Club, 751 W. King St., Franklin

**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

**Thursday Meetings**  
**Woodmen Toastmasters Club**, 6:30 a.m., Baxter YMCA, 7900 S. Shelby St., Indianapolis. Information: 888-6146  
**Women's Big Book Meeting**, noon, 50 N. Home Ave., 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

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

- **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 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.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

## After 16 years of separation, it's time to quit ASTROGRAPH

**DEAR ABBY:** My brother has 15 children by eight mothers. Five are with his wife, from whom he has been separated for 16 years. My sister-in-law becomes very upset when my brother shows favoritism toward children he has outside his marriage. Until recently, she tolerated this. However, now she says she hates him more today than ever, even though they are not together. I feel their marriage is long over, and she should not focus on what he is doing nor should she allow herself to become emotionally distraught over his behavior. It just doesn't seem to be sinking in, and I need some advice about how I can tell her to move on with her life without sounding like a broken record. So many children out there in this world are in the same boat because of their fathers' irresponsible behavior.

— **BRAVEHEART IN SYRACUSE, N.Y.**

**DEAR BRAVEHEART:** Your sister-in-law may have clung to her marriage because her religion frowns upon divorce, or she may still be hoping that your brother will grow up, wise up and come back to her. You can reason with her until you are blue in the face, but until she is ready to accept reality, nothing will change. I don't know who is supporting all those children financially or emotionally, but there ought to be a law against the kind of irresponsibility your brother has exhibited.

**DEAR ABBY:** I recently grew



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close to a member of the same social organization that I belong to. We have much in common. She is someone I can open up to and share my real feelings with. I can't do that with anyone else.

Here's the twist: She's 15 and I'm 22. I never thought I could fall for someone that young, but she is different. We have talked about our feelings and realize that they are mutual.

I know the law frowns upon this, and I would never go against the law. The legal age in this state is 16. I know we will still be close by then. Would it be wrong to try for more of a relationship when she turns 16?

— **GOT IT BAD IN CONNECTICUT**

**DEAR GOT IT BAD:** That depends upon what you mean by more of a relationship. While the young lady may be mature for her age, she does not have the life

experience of someone your age. Intellectually she may be mature, but she may still be 15 years old emotionally.

Although the legal age in Connecticut may be 16, if I were you, I'd discuss this situation with the girl's parents before trying for more. She's their daughter, and you will need their approval to date her.

**DEAR ABBY:** A co-worker recently lost her father. An envelope was passed around asking for donations to purchase flowers for her. She anticipated our gift of flowers and requested the money instead, so she was given the cash.

No sooner was the envelope in her purse than she immediately passed around a pre-typed note thanking us for the "heavenly bouquet."

Am I wrong to have formed the opinion that she took advantage of our generosity, especially because it's common knowledge that she has a gambling problem?

— **ASKANCE IN GEORGIA**

**DEAR ASKANCE:** Please do not be so quick to judge your co-worker. The money may have been put toward covering the expense of her father's funeral. However, if you are correct, the poor woman has enough problems to deal with. Please cut her some slack and let it go.

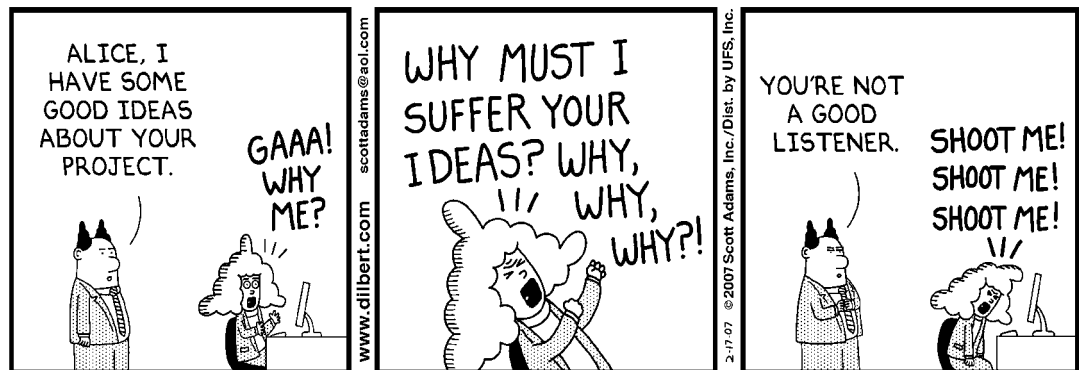
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**Your birthday:**  
**Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007**  
 There is a possibility you might take on or do something significant that's completely different from anything you've ever done in the past. Both new exposure and chance might play a role in its development.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)**  
 Your most fortunate lines of operation are likely to be found among progressive avenues or when dealing with intangibles. Don't allow yourself to get bogged down with the traditional.  
**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)**  
 If you'd like to find how you can direct your life in ways you hadn't thought of, get in touch with your own subconscious. It will be completely honest about the direction you should take.  
**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
 Should you find that contacts with friends or those close to you are more important than usual, do something about it. Don't sit at home like a bump on a log. Make plans with good pals.  
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
 Just because others find a certain task too challenging, don't you be talked into finding things intimidating. You're in tune with your abilities and should know you're up to handling it.  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
 You're exceptionally good at visualizing new and untried things, so don't treat your inspirations indifferently. What you conceive as possible will be easier to do than you think.  
**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
 If you believe certain critical changes

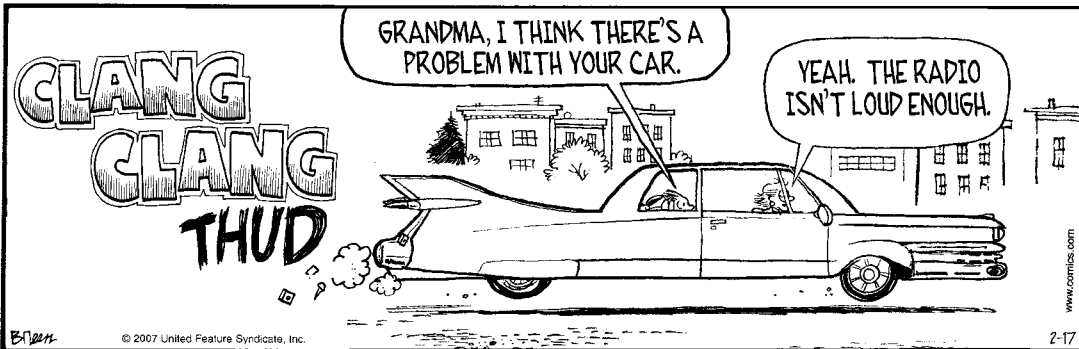
need to be made, don't be timid, wishy-washy or use half measures in implementing what you think needs to be done. Do what you must do.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
 When it comes to things that concern both you and your mate, don't play down or ignore your other half's suggestion. He or she might be able to spot nuances you've overlooked or disregarded.  
**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
 Put your mind to finding ways to open an avenue for additional income because you could be quite fortunate in what you come up with. The timing might be perfect now.  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
 Don't be bashful about opening a line of communication with someone you met recently who has captured your interests. This person might be just as receptive to you.  
**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)**  
 Press for action concerning a matter you feel can enhance your prestige or security in some manner. You'll never know if it will work until you stop dragging your cold feet.  
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)**  
 This is one of those times when you can learn more from what you teach than others can. If you have what you think is constructive information to pass onto someone, don't hold back.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
 Most of the time, well-intended advice on get-rich schemes are of little value, but should information be passed on to you by an acquaintance, analyze it for what it could mean.

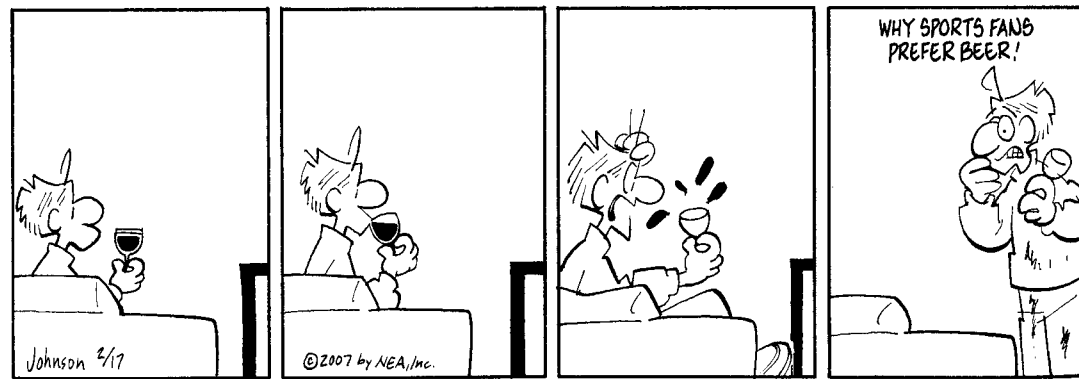
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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

**ACROSS**

- 1 Indent key
- 4 Merriment
- 7 Hamster's digs
- 11 "Pulp Fiction" name
- 12 By heart
- 13 Pub brews
- 14 More loving
- 16 Fling
- 17 Thoughtless
- 18 Faculty honchos
- 20 Web site clutter
- 21 Muffin spread
- 22 Lofty
- 25 In — veritas
- 27 Fill with amazement
- 28 Sudden foray
- 30 — grip!
- 34 Flake off, as paint
- 36 Track event
- 38 Doze
- 39 Ayla's creator
- 41 Moved gingerly
- 43 Salamander
- 45 Hesitant sounds
- 46 Relieve
- 48 Took on cargo
- 52 Carpet thickness
- 53 Turn off
- 55 Big party nights
- 56 Sunset colors
- 57 Ski lift
- 58 Desk items
- 59 Mother rabbit
- 60 Whichever

**DOWN**

- 1 Ballet wear
- 2 Parson's explosive
- 3 Mass of clouds
- 4 Crosses, as a stream
- 5 Sporty truck
- 6 Teen outcast
- 7 Make a list
- 8 Solo
- 9 Mural undercoat
- 10 Lisper's problem
- 12 Provide, as service
- 15 Use the phone
- 19 Vast stretch of time
- 22 Doze off
- 23 Feel grateful
- 24 Hairy insect
- 25 Tiny bottle
- 26 Passports, etc.
- 29 Lime cooler
- 31 Annapolis grad
- 32 Pedicurist's concern
- 33 August
- 35 Like a desperado
- 37 Deli sandwiches
- 40 Ms. Hagen of films
- 42 Big — elephant
- 43 Overly trusting
- 44 Glasgow or Burstyn
- 45 Omit, in speech
- 47 Place for flowers
- 49 Floppy contents
- 50 James Bond's school
- 51 Slightly wet
- 52 Kind of rally
- 54 August kid, maybe

### NEA Crossword Puzzle