

## What's Happening

All times are Central

### This week

#### City Hall closed

City of Greensburg offices will be closed Wednesday, Sept. 21 through Friday, Sept. 23 for training. A drop box is located in the parking lot for your convenience. If immediate assistance is needed, please call 270-932-4202.

#### Red Cross Blood Drive

The Greensburg United Methodist Church is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive Thursday, Sept. 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Greensburg Community Center. Eat iron-rich foods and drink plenty of water.

#### Exercise at GCPL

Green County Public Library will have Walking and Chair exercises Friday, Sept. 23 at 8:30 a.m. and 9 a.m.

#### Library open Saturday

Green County Public Library will be open this Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

#### Grave Marking Ceremony

The Elizabeth Graves Sandidge Grave Marking Ceremony will be held Sunday, Sept. 25 at 2 p.m. at the Sandidge Family Cemetery, also known as Wilson Hill Cemetery, in the Liletown Community of Green County.

### Happening Soon

#### GCPL Book Club

Green County Public Library Book Club will meet Monday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m.

#### Diabetes classes

LCDHD is offering free diabetes classes online for the local region Tuesday, September 27 from 4 to 6 p.m. In person Living With Diabetes Classes will be held October 5, 12, 19, 26. Register by calling 800-928-4416, ext. 1158.

#### Hocus Pocus showing

Green County Public Library will be showing Hocus Pocus 2 Sept. 30 at 2 p.m. Register on the Green County Public Library Facebook page or by calling 270-932-7081.

### Ongoing events

#### Color Me Calm

Wednesdays in September the library will be offering an adult coloring program at 10 a.m. in the library called "Color Me Calm." All adults are welcome to participate.

#### Farmer's Market

The Green County Farmer's Market is held every Thursday from 3-5:30 p.m. at 2385 Campbellsville Road, at the Cattleman's Farm. Call 270-299-5512 for more information.

#### History Museum open

The Green County History Museum on the second floor of Longhunters Coffee and Tea Co. is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays. Admission is \$3.

## Reunions

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The **1967 Class Reunion** will be Saturday, Sept. 24, from 2-4 p.m. Green County time. The reunion will be held at Longhunters along with a limited menu meal.

The annual reunion of the **descendants of James Bailey Simpson and Margaret Wright Simpson** families and friends will be held Sunday, Sept. 25 at the Exie Fire Department. Potluck meal will be at noon. The event is hosted by the descendants of Lucian and Evelyn Simpson. For information call 317-445-6561.

The **Akin Family Reunion** will be held Oct. 1 at 11 a.m. at American Legion Park in Greensburg. The meal will be potluck with each guest bringing 1-2 dishes, serving utensils, plates, drinks, etc. Meat (chicken) provided. RSVP by Sept. 24 by calling 270-805-1613.

A **reunion for Greensburg Manufacturing Employees** will be held Oct. 1 at 9 a.m. at the American Legion Park in Greensburg.



"DON'T CALL HIM IN YET... I THINK HE'S ABOUT TO ACHIEVE NUCLEAR FUSION!"

## Suicide Prevention Awareness Month



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We need to start talking about suicide. Now. And we need to keep talking.

Suicide has long been a serious public health problem. Now, months of isolation, unemployment and the changes ushered in by the COVID-19 pandemic threatens to increase the incidence of suicide. Those thinking about suicide or planning suicide honestly believe death is the only way to end the pain.

To prevent suicide, we are the first line of defense for ourselves and others by observing life circumstances, statements and behavior of others. We can then start a dialogue

in the event of concerns. But what words to use? Couldn't bringing up the subject of suicide plant a seed in another person's mind, or give them ideas? Bringing up the subject of suicide DOES NOT increase the chances that a person will become suicidal or be more apt to act on such thoughts or impulses. In fact, it is just the opposite.

Talking about suicide actually diminishes suicide's power and sheds light where there is darkness. It can also be a relief for someone who doesn't know how to translate his or her pain into a plea for assistance. Being direct is the best approach, as opposed to hinting. Dangling around the subject might make us feel more comfortable, but it is less likely to elicit an honest answer. The best way is to just ask directly, but sincerely: "I've noticed \_\_\_\_\_,

and I am worried about you. Have you been having the feeling that you would be better off dead or have you had any thoughts of killing yourself?"

These are difficult conversations, but I also think it is important how we talk about suicide in general, including in reference to how suicide deaths are covered in media. By looking out for one another, matching people with the help they need, and helping those who are hurting feel more connected, people who are contemplating suicide have an opportunity to recover and live lives of meaning and purpose.

A big part of the motivation behind becoming a therapist was wanting to be able to sit with people who feel marginalized, bullied and alone. The saddest thing is the stark emptiness that I imagine a person who

has decided to die by suicide experiences in those final moments. It truly haunts me. What inspires me and drives me is the commitment to doing my part to prevent deaths by suicide. Understand that we all have a part in preventing a life from ending too soon. Do your part and ask the hard questions when you feel someone may be at risk.

Remember my friends and readers, embrace, Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Love People and Love God- as God loves you! Amen.

Seeking Hope in Faith and Love. Love God and All People. Amen.

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## America's foreigner flood, spread the love

Nearly five million foreign nationals have entered the United States since Biden became President. Some people call them undocumented immigrants, some call them unauthorized immigrants, many call them illegal immigrants. If they were entering the country legally with proper documentation then we would call them documented immigrants or legal immigrants.

Wyoming has 581,075 people. Have you ever been to Yellowstone National Park? Vermont has a population of 623,251 people. The District of Columbia has a population of 714,143 people. Alaska's population is 724,357. North Dakota has 770,026. South Dakota's population is 896,581. The population of Delaware is 990,334. (Stats from populationreview.com). These seven states combined have a population of under 5.5 million people. To get a more accurate count I suppose we could drop off Wyoming and that would put us closer to the total number of foreign nationals who have illegally without documentation entered crossed our borders. In other words, our country has grown the population of at least six of our smallest populated states in six years.

However, there are no worries because



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densely populated states won't remain that forever. We cannot add 4-5 million illegal immigrants every two years without having serious population issues in our nation.

What would a half million of these new unauthorized immigrants do to the state of Wyoming? What about Vermont? Would Vermont like to have a generous helping of a few hundred thousand people begging for housing and food?

The population of Kentucky is about 4.5 million people which is somewhere very close to the number of illegal immigrants. Where can Kentucky add a half million people? There are no jobs in East, Kentucky but a lot of devastation from the recent flooding. West Kentucky is still trying to rebuild from the worst tornadoes in history. What about Lexington or Woodford County? They still have a nice ten mile stretch of horse farms that could easily accommodate one-half million foreigners. Put these people to work giving bourbon tours.

Texas Governor Greg Abbott and Florida Governor Ron De-

santis have the right idea, share the love. Open borders should never mean that Texas and other border states get all the love and joy of these millions of people coming illegally into America. Texas already has 30 million people. Florida has 22 million people. Plus, Texas and Florida get hot. Hot weather and crowds are not a good combination. Martha's Vineyard has less than 20,000 people. The climate is cooler. The water is pretty and there is some good fishing in the area as well. I can see where immigrants would be content in this part of America. Rehoboth in Delaware would also be a nice spot for the undocumented foreigners. Rehoboth is where Joe Biden likes to stroll along the Boardwalk in this quaint coastal Atlantic community of fine restaurants, shops and summer vacationers. The illegals could certainly transform this little community.

California has a population of 40 million people. New York has almost 20 million and Illinois has almost 13 million with Chicago exploding with its own problems. Do any of them really have the financial ability to care for another million people?

If we do not get control of our border and regulate the flood of people who are coming into this country illegally, soon we will

not have a country.

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