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EVENTS

We welcome news about upcoming Southeastern Indiana events from area not-for-profit organizations. Email them to news@greensburgdailynews.com. Questions may be directed to Kevin Green at 812-651-0885.

APRIL 23

3:20 to 5 p.m.: SDHS greenhouse spring sale. Cash or check accepted. Open to the public.

April 25
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Southeastern Indiana Career Center's 60th Anniversary Spring Craft Bazaar & Car Show, 901 W. US Hwy 50, Versailles. Rain or shine. Open to the public.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Local Author's Fair at Greensburg Decatur County Public Library, 1110 E. Main St., Greensburg.

APRIL 28

7 p.m.: Rushville Elks Lodge meeting. Open to all members in good standing.

APRIL 29

Noon: Batesville Utilities Service Board meeting, 7 N. Eastern Ave., Conference Room.

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New pool gets major donation

Greensburg RDC provides latest financial boost; contributions still needed

GREENSBURG – Fundraising to help pay for a new community pool in Decatur County is closing in on its goal thanks to the recent support of the Greensburg Redevelopment Commission.

At its April meeting the Greensburg RDC committed \$250,000 toward the new facility.

“This funding commitment

reflects the Greensburg Redevelopment Commission's belief that quality public infrastructure is a catalyst for economic development,” Greensburg Redevelopment Commission Board President Darren Burkhart said. “By providing funding for the Decatur County Community Pool, we are supporting quality-of-life amenities that help attract new families, retain local talent, and encourage investment in our community. Amenities such as this pool strengthen our community's appeal, support local businesses, and contribute to

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Construction of the new Decatur County Community Pool continues on Greensburg's west side. This photo shows the progress made as of April 21.

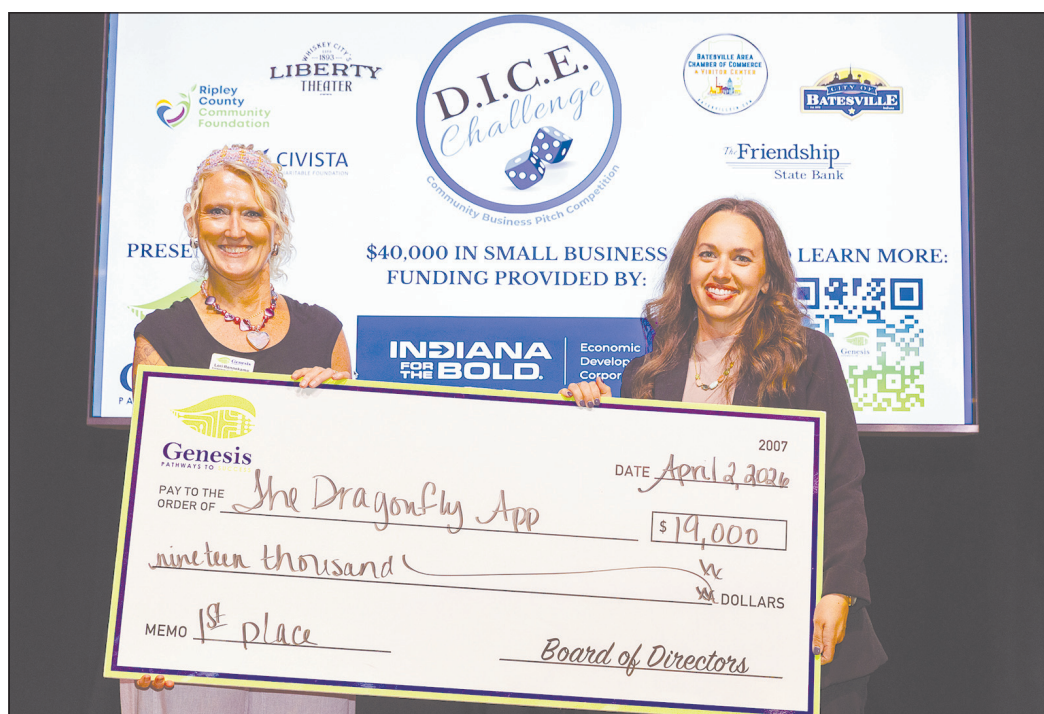


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Lori Rennekamp and Kari Craig are pictured.

D.I.C.E. Challenge winners announced

\$40,500 awarded to area entrepreneurs

Genesis: Pathways to Success has shared the success of the D.I.C.E. (Dreams, Ingenuity, Creativity, & Entrepreneurship) Challenge—Community Business Pitch Competition.

The event was held the evening of Thursday, April 2, 2026, at Whiskey City's Liberty Theater in Lawrenceburg.

The D.I.C.E. Challenge brought together a group of entrepreneurs from across Southeastern Indiana, each working toward launching or growing their business.

The competition is designed specifically for early-stage founders, including ventures actively in formation and businesses operating for 12 months or less as of April 2, 2026.

Each participant was given seven minutes to present their business, followed by eight minutes of live Q&A with a panel of five regional judges.

Judges utilized a structured rubric to guide their evaluations and provide meaningful, consistent feedback. Funding was then awarded at the judges' discretion, with a total of \$40,500 going to this year's finalists.



D.I.C.E. reinforces the importance of building tools that bring clarity to complex care, and I'm grateful to be part of an initiative that helps move ideas like this forward.”

Funding was awarded as follows:

- \$19,000: Kari Craig (Batesville) – The Dragonfly App™, a platform supporting parents and caregivers managing complex developmental and medical needs.

- \$8,000: Jodi Hussung (Aurora) – Tallow Me Softly, LLC, a handcrafted skincare line made from locally sourced beef tallow.

- \$5,000: Austin Ketcham (Madison) – Rooftop on Main, LLC, a boutique hospitality concept reimagining a historic downtown building into a modern bed-and-breakfast.

- \$4,000: Marlee & Jocelynn Lacey (Lawrenceburg) – Lacey & Line Studio, a space where wellness, style, and community come together.

- \$4,000: Paul Trossman & Zak Kirchgassner (Yorkville) –

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Foundation accredited with national philanthropic standards

RUSHVILLE – The Rush County Community Foundation recently received reaccreditation with the nation's highest standard for philanthropic excellence.

Community Foundations National Standards® establish legal, ethical, effective practices for community foundations everywhere.

“Meeting the National Standards benchmarks is a rigorous, comprehensive process,” National Standards Board of Directors Chair Susie Nelson said. “This accreditation is a significant accomplishment that

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Comp Plan Big Ideas Open House approaches

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GREENSBURG – An update of Decatur County's comprehensive plan is almost complete, but the public's help is again needed to help complete the process.

Area Plan Commission Director Doug Westerfeld recently appeared before the Decatur County Board of Commissioners to say public input is needed in deciding what Decatur County will look like in the foreseeable future.

Two planning session open houses are scheduled for noon to 1 p.m. and again from from 5 to 6 p.m. on

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