

BURGER

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- Smokey and the Bandit Burger at Cinema Social
- Animal Style Burger at The Wrigley Taproom & Eatery
- The Beast at The Depot On Main
- Cheeseburger Burrito at M&M Rooftop Garden
- Mi Casa Burger at Mi Casa Mexican Restaurant
- Crab Cake Burger at Ya-Ya's Sea and Soul Food
- The Corbin Burger at Old Town Grill of Corbin
- The Deflation Burger at Austin City Saloon
- Southern Smash at Folktale Coffee and Bakehouse
- Hawaiian Bacon Bourbon Burger at Seasons Restaurant.

Each location will offer its featured burger for a limited time during the event, and diners are encouraged to try as many as possible and cast their vote for the best in town.

Of course, the People's Choice traveling trophy sets Burger Week apart from Corbin's other foodie events throughout the year. Voting officially opens Wednesday, June 11.

For a full list of restaurants, addresses, and event details, visit the "Burger Week 2025" Facebook event page or call Corbin Tourism at (606) 528-8860.

VANDALISM

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markings and visible structural damage to several grave markers.

"This was a despicable criminal act targeting the final resting places of our loved ones," the sheriff's department stated on their Facebook page when actively looking for a suspect.

Griffith was lodged in the Whitley County Detention Center in lieu of a \$7,500. This investigation is still ongoing.

CUMBERLANDS

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The university's growth has direct implications for the regional economy. According to the report, Cumberlands had around 18,053 students who contributed direct spending of \$131.1 million in the 2021-22 fiscal year. Additionally, faculty, staff, and visitors added a combined \$63.3 million in direct spending. The university also generated \$42 million through purchases and \$24.6 million in investment spending. Beyond this financial activity, Cumberlands created roughly 3,820 jobs, adding yet

another avenue for millions to flow back into local business and industry.

"We are proud to be part of Whitley County and its surrounding communities," said Dr. Cockrum. "It has always been important to us to form local relationships that help drive greater possibilities for our region, and the AIKCU report is a reflection of this work."

Cumberlands has experienced continual growth in the years following the reporting period. Currently, enrollment numbers stand at around 22,000, about a 4,000 increase from the data used in the AIKCU commissioned report. As Cumberlands strengthens its resolve to make posi-

tive economic impacts through quality, affordable education program offerings, the area will likely see continued economic growth resulting from university initiatives.

"The university has never been stronger or better positioned for the future. We currently have over 20,000 students eager to use their education to enhance their livelihoods and impact the communities they serve. As long as we stay committed to our students and hold true to our founding principles, we will continue to have this kind of impact on our students, our employees, and the greater region as a whole," Dr. Cockrum added.

BOARD

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Daniels was the first to be recognized by Superintendent Dave Cox for all his achievements and contributions that he has given over the years to the district.

"Mark, thank you so much for what you have done," said Cox. "This district is going to miss you and all that you have done for us over the years."

Jason Couguer, former middle school principal who is now the Corbin Independent Schools Chief Information Officer, was next to be recognized by Cox for all of his accomplishments ahead of his retirement.

"Jason is a very talented

educator," Cox said. "I really appreciate what he has done here, and is also one of the quickest transitions to becoming a 'Corbinite' that I know of," Cox joked.

Sharyn Johnson was among the retirees also recognized. Corbin Primary Principal Travis Wilder spoke on behalf of Johnson and thanked her for all that she has done with the Save the Children program as a monitor.

"She has done a remarkable job with the program," said Wilder. "She walks in everyday with her cup of coffee and is always positive. She has had a tremendous impact on the kids."

From the high school, Principal Shannon Dixon recognized fellow retir-

ees Annette Surber, Vonna Hutson and Debra Theodore.

She thanked them for all that they have done for the children and the district. She also acknowledged their constant positivity, and encouraging presence.

"We will miss them deeply," said Dixon.

After the retirement celebration, the meeting was called to order and a motion to approve the agenda was conducted.

Supt. Cox addressed the contract for nursing services for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

"A couple of weeks ago, we were informed that we would no longer have the luxury of nursing services from Grace Health," said Cox, explaining that it had stemmed from cost differences and was purely a

business decision.

Cox also reiterated that there is no animosity with Grace Health, and praised the nurses that were provided to them over the years.

"There is absolutely no hard feelings nor any bad blood with Grace. If something works out to where we could keep those nurses, then we would love that as well," Cox said.

It was motioned to allow Supt. Cox to enter in a contract with Access Health, a health facility out of Barbourville to take over from Grace Health.

After reconvening from executive session, the board took action and granted the superintendent authority to hire three certified staff members during the summer months as needed.

HEARING

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use — and ultimately recommended that Peace be found competent to stand trial.

However, the defense presented a sharply different assessment from psychologist Dr. Eric Drogin, who determined that Peace is not competent.

Dr. Drogin testified that Peace is currently unable to

rationaly participate in his own defense and struggles to maintain appropriate legal reasoning.

The concern, as heavily highlighted by Whitley Circuit Judge Dan Ballou during the hearing, was that if Peace was able to help his lawyer help him. This was the main question that the judge specifically wanted answered.

Dr. Drogin also referenced a comment Peace had

allegedly made during evaluation, stating that if he didn't like the route that his lawyer was going, then he would get a new one.

This was one of the indications that Peace lacked the ability to grasp the seriousness of the proceedings, as highlighted by Dr. Drogin.

Peace has reportedly expressed concerns about his lack of memory surrounding the July 11, 2023 incident,

where he and his wife were both found with gunshot wounds in a wooded area in Corbin.

The judge did not issue an official ruling from the bench but is expected to make a formal determination on Peace's competency at his next pretrial conference set for August 7.

Peace remains in custody at the Whitley County Detention Center in lieu of a \$500,000 bond.

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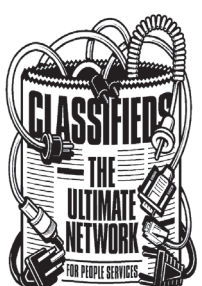
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