

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2020

ARCADIA | ATLANTA | CICERO | SHERIDAN
CARMEL | FISHERS | NOBLESVILLE | WESTFIELD



TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Mostly sunny.
Tonight: Partly cloudy.

HIGH: 49 LOW: 35



Mayor Brainard says Carmel's elder care facilities must test employees for COVID-19

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard is asking all elder care facilities in the city to test their employees weekly. He said failure to do so could amount to reckless homicide charges.

"We don't want what happened here as what happened in Anderson a few days ago or southern Indiana or Kirkland, Wash.," Brainard said.

Brainard has sent a letter to all nursing homes in the city urging them to test employees weekly for COVID-19. He suggested it be coordinated by Aria Diagnostics.

"If we can find out who has

it and segregate those people, we can slow down the spread. That is so important," he said.

But several facilities which Brainard declined to name have hesitated, forcing "strongly worded" follow-up emails.

The price for the test is \$175.

Brainard even had a police officer hand-deliver a letter to ManorCare Assisted Living at Summer Trace because he said the executive director of the facility did not reply to his email.



Brainard

"I thought that was so shortsighted because they had the ability to save people's lives if they just find one staff member that has it," Brainard said.

The letter even raises the opinion that failure to comply could constitute extreme negligence and even reckless homicide charges.

"I don't have the ability to order this but I'm in a position of trust and I think it's part of our job as city officials to try to do everything we can to cut down on the spread



Photo provided

Mayor Brainard has had letters sent to the facilities within the city of Carmel, including ManorCare Assisted Living.

of this virus," Brainard said.

Meanwhile Carmel is testing its employees weekly who deal with the public every day, including first responders. While

some may think the mayor should stay out of the business of nursing homes and their residents, he

See Test . . . Page 2



Photo provided by Hamilton County EMA

EMA drone pilots have been assisting the Sheriff's Department and the DNR in their search this week.

Sheriff, DNR search Morse Lake for missing Cicero man

By **STU CLAMPITT**
ReadTheReporter.com

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Department and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are searching Morse Lake for a man who has been missing since Monday night.

While authorities are not releasing the name of

the individual at this time, Hamilton County Sheriff's Department Public Information Officer Ryan McClain told The Reporter the person they are searching for is a 45-year-old white male from Cicero with brown hair who was last seen wearing blue jeans, a black and green insulated flannel shirt and

brown boots between 10 and 11 p.m. on Monday, April 6.

According to McClain, the missing man was with friends Monday evening. "He had possibly dropped a friend off at the marina," McClain said. "On his way back from there to go back to his parents' residence something happened."

The Sheriff's Department found his empty boat at a dock in the Forest Bay area, where it had run into another boat. The engine was still running.

"We do believe he is in the lake, we just haven't been able to find him yet," McClain said.

See Morse . . . Page 2

"Normal election" process now seen for June 2 primary

By **FRED SWIFT**
ReadTheReporter.com

The Hamilton County Reporter has learned that the June 2 primary will be held as a normal election. This comes despite earlier speculation that it would be called off in favor of a 'mail only' election due to the current health crisis.

The official announcement is expected on Monday from Indiana Secretary of State Connie Lawson. County clerks in Indiana's 92 counties have been left hanging, not knowing whether to prepare for a normal election or a first-of-its-kind 'mail only' election.

Indiana will apparently take steps to try to avoid the chaos experienced in Wisconsin earlier this week when there were too few voting places open, and long lines and other problems developed.

In Hamilton County, there has already been a flood of requests for absentee ballots, and election workers are seeking helpers to process the mailed ballot requests. These helpers will be paid \$100 per day.

There is likely to also be a need for Election Day poll workers as the number of folks who usually work is expected to decline this year due to age or other health concerns.

On Monday, there are expected to be some guidelines and possibly rule changes on how to handle the voting process. But, local election officials say they will at least know to prepare voting machines, election boards and other needs.

Until now, state election officials who postponed the primary to June 2 had said only they would make a further decision on April 22.

Noblesville police, fire join forces for new mental health program

NobleAct enables first responders to address mental health, substance abuse

The REPORTER

The City of Noblesville's police and fire departments have joined forces to create NobleAct, a mental health crisis and substance abuse response program.

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said this program will utilize mental health police officers, community paramedics, and mental health clinicians to provide linkage to community services and divert those in crisis away from the criminal justice system.

"As stated in the State of the City in February, our paramedicine program utilizes current community, healthcare and public safety resources to proactively identify and assist the public with non-emergency needs, health issues, and strives to maintain a healthy community," Jensen said. "NobleAct is a multipronged approach based on the Community Health Assessment, public safety data analysis, trending issues, stakeholder needs and citizen feedback."

NobleAct provides mental health and addiction-based services to those in crisis in three primary



Photo provided

Click the photo to watch a video message featuring Mayor Jensen (center), Officer Lugar (left) and Noblesville Fire EMS Division Chief James Mackey (right).

ways:

Active Crisis Response

- De-escalate the scene unitizing the expertise of the mental health officer, community paramedic, and mental health clinician.

- The team will assess the patient's needs and provide direct linkage to the most appropriate community-based services.

- Direct clients away from the criminal justice system and unnecessary hospitalizations

Conduct Follow-up Services

- Follow-up on individuals transported to a hospi-

tal within 72 hours.

- Follow-up on individuals referred to unit.

- Provide case management services to assist those in their path to recovery.

Conduct Outreach Initiatives

- The team will conduct community focused outreaches.

- Conduct community education trainings.

- Conduct community awareness events.

"The success of this program will be achieved through strong and active partnerships with community organizations and we

are pleased with the partnerships we already have on board for NobleAct," NobleAct Police Officer Ben Lugar said. "We are requesting community organizations interested in partnering with NobleAct provide a referral contact method that allows for a rapid connection between your organization and the client."

Any organization interested in a partnership with NobleAct or would like to receive more information should contact NPD Officer Lugar at blugar@noblesville.in.us or call at (317) 774-6540.

Judicial Center, Courthouse will close Monday

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Commissioners are further limiting access to the Judicial Center and the Courthouse in Downtown Noblesville in an effort to slow the transmission of COVID-19.

"While a large majority of our employees are working remotely, we have many who cannot," County Commissioner Christine Altman said. "We need to do our best to keep our employees healthy and limit their exposure to the virus, so we don't have any interruptions in government business."

Effective Monday, April 13, all entrances to both buildings will be closed and employee key fobs will be deactivated. The only way to enter either the Judicial Center or the Courthouse will be through the East Entrance of the Judicial Center. Those needing to access the Courthouse will have to do so through the underground tunnel that connects the two buildings.

Furthermore, anyone who enters the Judicial Center must use hand sanitizer and have their temperature taken. Anyone – citizen or employee – with a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will not be allowed into the building. Public hours at both buildings will also be limited to 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"This is a busy time for county government," Altman said. "Property taxes are due May 11 and the Primary Election is scheduled for June 2. Many of these duties cannot be accomplished off site. We need to create a safe haven for all our employees during this unprecedented time."



Altman



We love to work with first time home buyers

Visit our website at BraggInsurance.com

317-758-5828

brian@bragginsurance.com





MORSE

McClain told The Reporter the DNR has been integral in the search process.

“The DNR had a dive team as well as two boats with sonar capabilities that did a grid search from his last known location between his residence and the entrance to the no-wake zone near the neighborhood,” McClain said. “We also had drones from Hamilton County Emergency Management, which will be back out over the lake tomorrow [Friday].”

Spring weather has made the search a challenge.

Divers told McClain visibility has been very poor underwater because the current has been stronger than normal due to rain.

Hamilton County EMA Director Shane Booker told The Reporter two pilots were flying drones over Morse Lake to help with the search as early as Monday night, but wind has affected drone capabilities since then.

“The drones are rated to fly in wind up to 40 mph,” Booker said. “We don’t like to fly when it’s that windy. It drains the batteries pretty

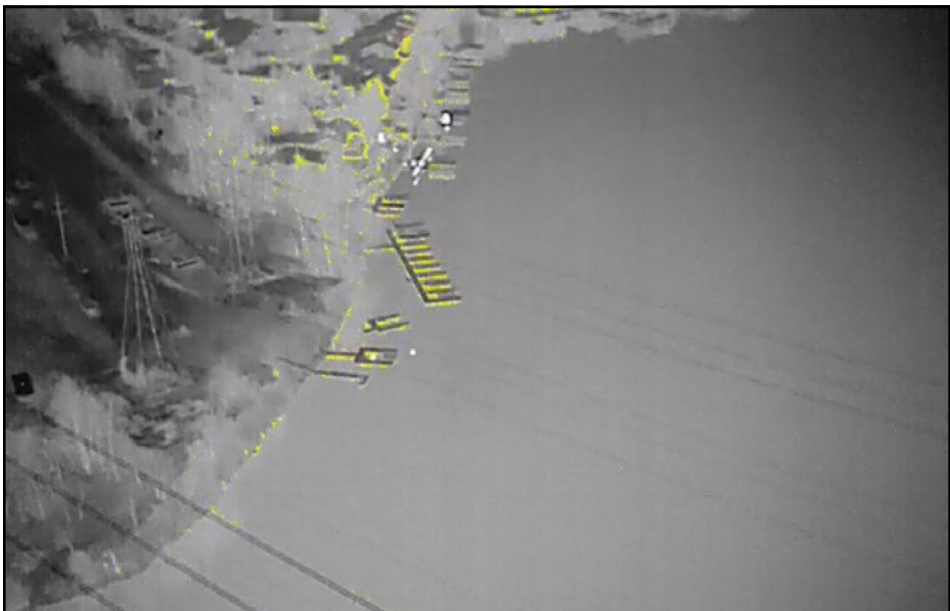


Photo provided by Hamilton County EMA

This infrared drone shot is from Monday night’s initial search at Forest Bay.

quickly. Normal flight time is about 30 minutes, but that can be significantly reduced when we are flying in high wind. It is also a problem with takeoff and landing.”

According to Hamilton County Reporter Chief Meteorologist Paul Poteet, in recent days there have been wind gusts over 60 mph.

“One of the things we will look at tomorrow

[Friday], if we can fly, is not only doing a visual search, but also taking the necessary images to have GIS stitch together to do their analysis to see if they find something we don’t,” Booker said.

McClain told The Reporter citizens may see police activity in the area as the search continues.

If you have any information, call the Hamilton

County Sheriff’s Department dispatch at (317) 773-1282 and ask for Detective Petty, who is leading the investigation.

Information including the name and a photo of the missing individual will be soon posted on the Sheriff’s Department social media pages, allowing you to contact the department electronically.

TEST

from Page 1

disagrees.

“I want to look back and know I was part of the solution,” he said.

Zak Khan, owner of Aria Diagnostics, said his company’s tests do not have the same ‘false negative’ results that occur in the some of the CDC-approved testing for the coronavirus.

He said the cash price for the test is \$175, but that Aria is in-network for insurance companies who pay their own agreed-upon amount which varies by the company.

ManorCare released this full statement:

“It was never a matter of the center refusing to comply. We needed to assess this new request and compare it with the CDC-approved systems that were already in place for testing. The facility already had lab services in place, and has chosen to work with Eli Lilly.

“The health and well-being of our patients is the primary focus of our employees. Prior to the mayor’s request, at the direction of our medical and clinical ex-

from Page 1

perts, we had implemented precautions exceeding CDC guidelines to minimize risk to patients and employees, and prevent or contain COVID-19. This includes regular screening and monitoring of all patients and employees for symptoms of COVID-19, and isolating or quarantining anyone who may be at a higher risk or may have been exposed.

“We appreciate the mayor’s concern for the citizens of Carmel. COVID-19 has affected our world and the delivery of healthcare in an unprecedented way. Most providers in the acute, and post-acute, healthcare system have been impacted by COVID-19. We are determined to protect the safety and health of our patients and employees to our fullest ability by following all CDC guidelines.

“Our employees are going above and beyond to compassionately care for patients and reassure families during this unprecedented healthcare crisis. They truly are helpful, caring, and responsive heroes.”



PREVAIL
Advocating for
Victims of Crime and Abuse
www.prevailinc.com

I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn’t something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don’t often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we’re breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.
– **Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville**

To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:

- Art supplies (for children to journal and express their emotions)
- Bottled water (8 oz. bottles, preferably)
- Individually packaged snacks
- Gas cards (many women have no access to funds after fleeing their abuser)

Drop off items at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, 14701 Tom Wood Way.





TOM WOOD
— Volkswagen —
NOBLESVILLE



Volkswagen

Care • Committment • Convenience

Tom Wood Volkswagen Noblesville

14701 Tom Wood Way
Noblesville, IN 46060
317.853.4552

TomWoodVolkswagenNoblesville.com





What's new for 2020?
The Atlas Cross Sport.

All **Atlas Cross Sport** models come with a touchscreen infotainment display with both Apple CarPlay and Android Auto integration. Navigation is optional, as is a reconfigurable digital gauge display and SiriusXM satellite radio. The Volkswagen Car-Net connectivity app allows for remote starting and analytics while a 4G LTE Wi-Fi hotspot allows occupants to remain connected to the internet with their smart devices while on the go.

- Standard autonomous emergency braking with forward-collision warning
- Standard blind-spot monitoring with rear cross-traffic alert
- Available adaptive cruise control with semi-autonomous driving mode

Fun to drive. Easy to cover.



TOM WOOD
— Volkswagen —
NOBLESVILLE



Volkswagen

Care • Committment • Convenience

Tom Wood Volkswagen Noblesville

14701 Tom Wood Way
Noblesville, IN 46060
317.853.4552

TomWoodVolkswagenNoblesville.com



How would this situation have looked in the 70s and 80s?

My father-in-law called me last week with today's column topic. He thought it would be interesting to talk about how our society would have dealt with being locked down in another decade.



COLUMNIST
AMY SHANKLAND
Sandwiched

Since this column focuses on my adventures in the sandwich generation, I decided to write about how I imagine my family would have handled things when I was growing up in the 70s and 80s.

First of all, my poor dad would not have been able to work, as he was a salesman who traveled all around Indiana selling "working-man's" attire. Dad visited fire stations, factories, warehouses, etc. selling shoes, socks, jackets and other clothing. He would most likely be restless in this situation and probably driving Mom crazy! His hobbies were poker and singing in a barbershop group, something that also would have come to a halt in the 70s and 80s. I'm sure he would have given his van and our

garage a thorough cleaning.

My siblings would be out of the house and married since they are older than me and I know we'd be missing them terribly. My sister's house was a second home for me. My nephew and niece were more like an additional brother and sister and I would be sad not to play with them.

However, I would be handling the situation okay overall with the exception of not being able to see my grandmother. "Grandma Grew" was everything to me, although I can't tell you for the life of me why I called her that. Even though she died when I was nine, I still have vivid memories of her.

Not many people believe this, but I've always been perfectly fine doing things on my own. Yes, I would have missed the few friends I had, but I was content as child/teenager to read, walk our dog, and do art projects. I still love to do these activities today, although the art projects

have turned into writing and learning Spanish.

I think Mom would have been fine as well. Instead of teaching her ceramics classes, she'd be painting various pieces on her own. Mom loved working in the yard and her already gorgeous plants and flowers would most likely be at their finest with a lockdown situation!

We all liked to watch movies together in the 80s and play cards or board games. I think the three of us would have increased those activities as well.

I have a feeling Mom and I would have occasional fights over the phone, however, as I hogged it enough as a teenager without being on lockdown! In the 70s and 80s, the phone would have been the only option for being able to quickly reach a friend or relative.

Overall, thanks to our hobbies, Mom and I would have been okay "back in the day." Dad ... not so much. Although he did love to play his Omnichord (electronic musical instrument introduced in 1981 by Suzuki). That may have saved his sanity – and ours!

New program in Carmel will benefit restaurants and healthcare workers

The REPORTER

Hospitals across Hamilton County and Indiana are working 24/7 to respond to COVID-19. Meanwhile, independent restaurants are in peril from the economic impact of the coronavirus with hospitality workers laid off by the thousands and restaurants shuttering across the nation.

Feed the Frontlines Carmel, which launches today, April 10, is designed to benefit both healthcare workers and restaurants.

[Click here](#) to make a donation.

This program allows the community to donate meals from local restaurants to be delivered to healthcare workers on the frontlines. It's a true win-win – healthcare workers will enjoy nourishing meals, while local restaurants will receive the critical business they need to help keep staff employed. The program will provide close to 190 meals each day, which will be divided between St. Vincent Carmel and IU Health North hospitals to support healthcare workers dealing directly with COVID-19 patients.

The City of Carmel and the Rotary Club of Carmel, through the Rotary District 6560 Foundation have pulled together and partnered with IU Health

North and St. Vincent Carmel Hospitals to replicate the program that has been successful in many other cities across the country. Several local restaurants, including Divvy, Donatello's, Fork + Ale House, Greek Tony's, Joe's Next Door, King Cal, Muldoon's and Woody's, will participate in the initial launch. Additional collaborations may be necessary if needs change during the course of this program.

To kick start the initiative, the program has been funded with \$10,000 from the City of Carmel. Donations from the community are being solicited to fund the program for as long as possible through the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We must do all we can to support our health care workers as they battle this deadly virus. Providing healthy meals, which also has a positive economic impact of supporting our local restaurants, is a wonderful way to help our community through this crisis," Mayor Jim Brainard said. "I appreciate Rotary stepping in to help facilitate this effort and I am grateful that our local restaurants are making adjustments to accommodate this program. We are stronger when we work together and that is what it will take to get through this

pandemic."

Additional information can be found on the City of Carmel's COVID-19 "How Can I Help" page by [clicking here](#).

Donations will pay for meals produced by independent local restaurants and delivered to frontline healthcare workers. Any remaining funds at the end of the program will go to the Rotary Club of Carmel's Community Service Fund. The Rotary Club of Carmel has pledged that remaining funds will continue to feed our community through local food pantries.

About the Rotary District 6560 Foundation

The Rotary District 6560 Foundation was established in 1997 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization the purpose of which is to provide a tax-sheltered destination for Rotary District's Clubs to raise funds for their charitable service projects that benefit their local communities or communities worldwide. The Rotary District Foundation of Central Indiana transforms financial support into generous service projects that change lives not just in Indiana but globally. The Foundation is delighted to partner with the Carmel Rotary Club and the Carmel Mayor's office to "Feed the Frontlines."

Spartz signs letter to Indiana Supreme Court regarding prisoner release rules

The REPORTER

State Senator Victoria Spartz (R-Noblesville) has joined 28 other Senators from around the state in signing a letter to the Indiana Supreme Court in response to a petition filed by the ACLU of Indiana that asks the court to change existing rules on release of prisoners during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The senators say they have grave concerns that

the relief sought by the ACLU regarding imprisoned persons is unconstitutional. Indiana courts have no legal authority to modify sentences outside the statutory framework established by the Legislative branch of state government.

Moreover, a court's

authority to modify sentences is limited to modification to a sentence that the court could have imposed at the time of sentencing. Any additional sentence modification authority granted by this Court would usurp the power of the Indiana General Assembly and vi-

olate separation of powers doctrine, according to the senators.

"These public policy considerations lie exclusively with the Legislative branch. The governor, at any time, can call a special session if needed to modify the governing statutes," Spartz said. "We can never forget, even in the times of crisis, the core principles of our Constitutional Republic."



Spartz

Community FIRST
Bank of Indiana

We are Open for the Community!

Appointments Available • 4 Drive Up Locations
24/7 ATMS • Online Banking

CFBindiana.com

Daniel Bragg
for
State Representative
District 32
Integrity ★ Leadership ★ Veteran

BraggForIndiana@gmail.com

Made for the District Forum for Indiana

Letter to the Editor

Pharmacists need protection from COVID-19

Dear Editor:

Pharmacists are grappling with their response to COVID-19, and tirelessly working on our behalf putting themselves at risk of infection. Your local pharmacist needs your help to help protect them and yourself. Here are some ideas:

- Take advantage of home delivery services.
- Use the drive-thru or curbside pickup service.
- If you are at an elevated risk of infection or have symptoms, have someone else pick up your prescription for you.

tions for you.

Purdue University's Center for Health Equity & Innovation has developed a resource to identify prescription pick-up options that are available. This resource is available at indianapharmacists.org/covid-19-resources.

Finally, be wary of purchasing medication online. Criminals are exploiting fear and confusion for profit by selling fake preventions, treatments and alleged cures online. At best, these fake products are ineffective; at worst, they are

deadly.

According to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, a survey of over 2,000 online pharmacies revealed that 98 percent of them were illegitimate. There are safe pharmacies online, but make sure to use NABP to verify the pharmacy first at safe.pharmacy/buy-safely.

Pharmacists stand ready to continue serving patients, so let's do our part to protect them.

Darren R. Covington
Executive Vice President
Indiana Pharmacists Association

Meeting Notice

The Cicero Metropolitan Police Commission will have a special meeting at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, at the Cicero Police Department, 70 S. Byron St., Cicero.

Virtual Meeting

Due to the increased number of public meetings being held online and over the phone, *The Reporter* brings you this special section of meeting notices dedicated to those specific meetings.

The Sheridan Public Library Board will meet via Zoom at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2020. Please email kim@sheridan.lib.in.us for information on how to participate in the meeting.

Vote **KIM GOOD** Vote

TREASURER
www.KimGoodForTreasurer.com
PAID FOR BY THE COMMITTEE TO ELECT KIM GOOD

Up and down markets can mean up and down emotions.
Get help managing them here in Hamilton County with Corey Sylvester.
(317) 984-4845

[Learn more >](#)

Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING
Member SIPC



Less Government
More Freedom

VICTORIA SPARTZ

REPUBLICAN FOR CONGRESS

Finance Executive | Farmer | Business Owner

CONSERVATIVE REPUBLICAN
FOR CONGRESS

VOTE
JUNE 2

SPARTZFORCONGRESS.COM
SPARTZFORCONGRESS

Made for by Victoria Spartz for Congress

ATI continues Friday Night Live show this evening on Facebook

Submitted

From our homes to yours, Actors Theatre of Indiana will present its third consecutive Friday Night Live at 7:30 p.m. tonight on a computer or video screen near you.

Join special guests Janna Hymes, Music Director, and oboist Rebecca McGuire from Carmel Symphony Orchestra; along with Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard who will play “Back Home Again in Indiana” on his home pia-

no; the ATI trio of Don, Judy and Cindy; and ATI Executive Director Jim Reilly as they pay tribute to the music that they love in another presentation of “Music Heals and Unifies.”

Prepare to enjoy music, stories and messages of inspiration from some of the most gifted and talented musicians and performers in Carmel ... a perfect way to spend your Friday night as we all practice safe physical distancing, with the help of

social media. Hundreds of fans joined in the fun last week as ATI and the CSO continue to find ways to use social media to present a program of music inspired by Broadway and the greatest music of our lives. It is easy to join by logging onto the [Facebook Live event](#), grabbing a nice snack and beverage and enjoying the show.

Please invite your friends, create your own “watch party” and join in the fun.

Carmel Symphony Orchestra launches new Saturday night concert series on Facebook

The REPORTER

The Carmel Symphony Orchestra will launch weekly Saturday night shows on Facebook, beginning this weekend and continuing until the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted and live concerts can resume. “Let the Music Play ... Getting to Know YOUR CSO” will premier at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 11 on the [CSO Facebook page](#).

“We can’t wait for the day we can reopen the Palladium and welcome our fans with many hugs and wonderful music,” said Janna Hymes, Music Director. “But until that day, we want to comfort our fans the best way possible. We can’t think of a better way than to share beautiful music from the talented musicians of the CSO, who will be playing from their own homes.”

The 30-minute show will feature a variety of musicians playing selections designed to help lift the hearts of those watching and listening from home. This free show will be easy to access. Simply connect with the CSO on Facebook



JANNA HYMES MUSIC DIRECTOR

Graphic provided

and tune in to watch the special video performance.

“We are doing this to stay connected with our fans, but we also feel strongly that music is a uniting, healing force that will help bring us together in a special way,” said Hymes.

During this weekend’s show, expect to see Chris Rund on double bass and Joerg and Annemarie Schreiber on cello and violin.

[Click here](#) to watch a short video of Hymes talking about the shows.

About the Carmel Symphony Orchestra

Believing that music has the power to change lives, the Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) is the

85-member Resident Orchestra at The Palladium at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Founded in 1975, the CSO is comprised of professional and passionate musicians. The orchestra performs concerts featuring an eclectic repertoire of some of the world’s greatest symphonic music. The CSO is committed to enhancing the community’s quality of life through creative, artistically excellent performances, and educational experiences for diverse audiences of all ages. Janna Hymes became the organization’s music director in July 2017. Visit [CarmelSymphony.org](#) to learn more.

Hello, Hamilton County

With Mr. Weatherman, Paul Poteet



Click to play video

Feel free to share The Reporter with friends and family.



April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month
April 19th - 25th is National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Join Prevail and other local businesses in recognizing the voices of survivors of violence in Hamilton County by offering space to display the Clothesline Project at

The Clothesline Project Art Installation is a display of shirts with graphic messages and illustrations created by survivors of violence or family members of victims who have been murdered. The purpose of the Clothesline Project is to increase awareness of the impact of violence and to give survivors an avenue for breaking the silence that often surrounds crimes like sexual assault and domestic violence.

The Project is a healing tool for survivors and an educational tool for the community.

Contact: Natasha Robinson, Prevail Inc.
Office: 317-773-6942 / Email: natasha@prevailinc.org
Website: www.prevailinc.org



Rita Moreno rescheduled for Oct. 3 at the Palladium in Carmel

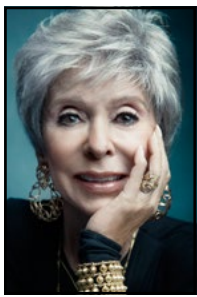
The REPORTER

Legendary singer, dancer and actress Rita Moreno has rescheduled an appearance at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel that was postponed in December because of laryngitis.

An Evening with Rita Moreno is now set for 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at the Palladium, 1 Center Green, Carmel. Previously purchased tickets will be honored on the new date, and ticket sales have resumed at [TheCenterPresents.org](#).

Ticket holders with questions may contact Patron Services at Tickets@TheCenterPresents.org.

Moreno is among few performers to have won the Oscar, Tony, Emmy (two) and a Grammy Award, as well as the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Debuting on Broadway at age 13, she went on to appear in more



Moreno

than 40 feature films (*Singin' in the Rain*, *West Side Story*) and countless TV shows (*The Electric Company*, *Oz*). She currently appears in the acclaimed Netflix reboot of *One Day at a Time*. Her Palladium performance will feature standards from the Great American Songbook and stories from her stellar career.



Logan Street SIGNS & BANNERS

www.LoganStreetSigns.com

2020 Senior Yard Signs



Senior signs-no names \$15 one side, includes wire
WWW.LOGANSTREETSIGNS.COM

ONLY \$15 plus tax

- 1.) Visit our website
- 2.) Use “Contact Us” form
- 3.) Fill out your info:
Name and School of Choice
- 4.) We will call you when ready to Pay with Credit Card
- 5.) Curbside pick-up is available

Letter to the Editor

Beckwith: Pelosi’s partisan politics putting Americans in harm’s way

Dear Editor:

Americans are hurting. There is chaos and confusion from the media sweeping our country while President Trump and his administration work to combat COVID-19. While Americans are coming together to support one another during this pandemic, Nancy Pelosi and her liberal colleagues were busy holding up much-needed funding for families and businesses.

Now is not the time for partisan politics.

When our government officials were supposed to be working together to ensure the safety and security of our nation, Pelosi was pushing her own political agenda. As a pro-life candidate endorsed by Indiana Right to Life, I find it unacceptable that Pelosi attempted to work abortion funding into the relief legislation.

The amount of sweetheart deals for liberal special interest groups packed into the legislation was almost unfathomable. Almost.

We need conservatives in Congress who will fight against Pelosi and her liberal allies. As your next congressman, I’ll do just that.

Micah Beckwith
Candidate for Congress
Noblesville

Letters to the Editor do not reflect the opinions of The Reporter, its publisher or its staff. You can submit your own Letter to the Editor by email to News@ReadTheReporter.com.

Community **FIRST** Bank of Indiana

This is Your Community. This is Your Bank.

Easy online mortgage applications at **CFBindiana.com!**



Local Lenders Thinking Outside the Box

We offer local underwriting, flexible solutions, and personalized service!



Wendell Propes

Mortgage Manager
765.456.4359
NMLS#1009234



Janelle Campbell

Mortgage Loan Officer
317.339.7496
NMLS#139557



Member **FDIC**

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him: But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him. Then the disciples took him by night, and let him down by the wall in a basket. And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

Acts 9:23-26 (KJV)

Jack Hoffman

February 12, 1936 – April 2, 2020

Jack Hoffman, 84, Carmel, passed on to Heaven while in the arms of his beloved wife and sweetheart of 61 years, Elinor (Elly) on April 2, 2020.

He was surrounded by his loving children, Evan Hoffman, Susan (Hoffman) Larche, Pierre Larche and Drew Hoffman (Kerry Wonders); grandchildren, Austin Hoffman (Katelyn), Lauren Hoffman (fiancé Garrett Navin), Max Larche, Emma Larche, and his dog, Sweetie.

Jack was born in Indianapolis on February 12, 1936, son of James A. and Martha Jane (McComb) Hoffman. He was a graduate of Arsenal Tech High School, attended Butler University, completed studies at ITT Technical Institute and then went on to graduate from Purdue University with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering.

In 1983, Jack founded and nurtured Hoffman Sales & Specialty Company (HVAC market) into a successful business that continues today. He served in the Indiana National Guard. Jack shared decades of beautiful "lake" memories with family at his historic log cabin on Sweetwater Lake.

In addition to his parents, Jack was preceded in death by his grandson, Dusty; brothers, Jan and Jim Bill, and sister, Nancy.

A Memorial and Celebration of Jack's Life will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Jack can be given to the Lewy Body Dementia Association, 912 Killian Hill Road SW, Lilburn, GA 30047.

Please visit bussellfamilyfunerals.com to read Jack's complete obituary.

Bussell Family Funerals, Carmel-Westfield is privileged to assist the family in arrangements.



James "Jim" Liggins
January 7, 1927 – March 31, 2020

James "Jim" Liggins, 93, North, Va., formerly of (Boxley) Sheridan, passed away peacefully on March 31, 2020 surrounded by his loving family. Jim was born January 7, 1927 in Sumas, Wash.

Jim was a veteran of the U.S. Army where he served in the Korean Conflict, working on the railroad.

A gentle yet strong spirit is a legacy Jim leaves behind. He was a faithful servant of God.

Before retiring, Jim worked for Western Electric as a Tool and Die maker.

Survivors include his daughter, Mary (Robert) Countiss, James Store, Va.; and granddaughters, Abigail and Rebecca Countiss.

A private family service took place in Bussell Family Funerals followed by burial in Boxley Cemetery, Sheridan.

A Celebration of Life service will be held later in Trinity Baptist Church, Westfield, of which Jim was a member. Please visit bussellfamilyfunerals.com to read Jim's complete obituary.

Bussell Family Funerals, Westfield-Carmel is privileged to assist the family in arrangements.

Joey Kathleen Jenkins

October 10, 1968 – April 6, 2020

Joey Kathleen Jenkins, 51, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, April 6, 2020 at River-view Health in Noblesville. She was born on October 10, 1968 to Gene and Sharon (Murray) Wentzel in Elkhart, Ind.

Joey had a life-long love of cooking. She spent 30 years in the hospitality industry in Elkhart and Noblesville. Joey loved spending time on the boat with John, and they had many friends who spent many wonderful times with them.

She is survived by her husband of 12 years, John Jenkins; mother, Sharon Murray; children, Kari Kirk, Kory (Sarah) Jenkins and Kregg (Sarah) Jenkins; brother, Mark (Jill) Wentzel; sister, Gina (Christopher) Galassi; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and two nephews.

Joey was preceded in death by her father, Gene Wentzel. Due to the current times, a celebration of life will be held for family and friends at a later date in Noblesville. Joey's care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes.

Memorial contributions may be made to Susan G. Komen Central Indiana, 3500 DePauw Blvd., Suite 2070, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

William "Bill" Kennedy

October 14, 1933 – April 3, 2020



William "Bill" Kennedy, 85, Carmel, died peacefully on April 3, 2020 after an extended illness. He was born in Winfield, Kan., on October 14, 1933.

Bill was raised as an only child in rural Kansas and lived in St. John until leaving to attend Kansas State University, where he graduated in 1956. Bill was the Cadet Colonel of the Air Force ROTC program at KSU. The U.S. Air Force commissioned him as an officer where Bill proudly served his country. After retirement from the Air Force, he worked for the U.S. General Accounting Office. Bill was a CPA and an auditor. In his later years, he had an accounting and real estate business.

In 1960 Bill married Elda, an Italian girl he met while at Upper Heyford AFB in England.

Survivors include children, Sonya (Gregory) Huyck, Viviana (Jeff) Newman and Andrew (Danielle) Kennedy; and six grandchildren, Craig, Drew, Cara, Trevor, Lleyton and Lewis. Together, Bill and Elda enjoyed over 50 years of marriage until Elda's passing in 2012.

A small private family service was held on April 8, 2020 and Bill will be laid to rest next to Elda in Carmel Cemetery.

A future Memorial Mass and Celebration of Life will be held once the coronavirus pandemic precautions have lifted.

Please visit bussellfamilyfunerals.com to read Bill's complete obituary.

Bussell Family Funerals Westfield-Carmel is privileged to assist the family with arrangements.

BUSSELL FAMILY FUNERALS

1621 E. Grayhound Pass
Carmel, IN 46032
(317) 537-2001
www.bussellfamilyfunerals.com

Donna Bussell

Fisher Family Funeral Services

317-758-0500
www.fisherfunerals.com
Traditional Values with a Personal Touch

Thanks for reading!

Randall & Roberts
Funeral Homes

317-773-2584

1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville
1150 Logan Street, Noblesville
12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers

Our family has been serving Hamilton County since 1953

HAMILTON COUNTY REPORTER

Contact Information

Phone
317-408-5548

Email
News@ReadTheReporter.com

Publisher Jeff Jellison
HamiltonCoNorthReporter@hotmail.com
317-408-5548

Sports Editor Richie Hall
Rhall1977@gmail.com
Twitter: @Richie_Hall

Public Notices
PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com
765-365-2316

Web Address
www.ReadTheReporter.com

Subscription Inquiries
Subscribe@ReadTheReporter.com

Mailing Address
PO Box 190
Westfield, IN 46074

Call Peggy 317-439-3258 or Jen 317-695-6032

Happy Easter From Peggy & Jennifer

Speak to Deak.com

THE Deak Team REALTORS

Jennifer

Peggy

F.C. TUCKER COMPANY, INC.

302 Riverwood Drive Noblesville • \$149,900
NEW LISTING!

Well cared for and updated 3 BR, 2 BA manufactured home on large lot with over two-car port. Home has living room, updated kitchen with breakfast room and breakfast bar. Property is also being sold with two more lots and a mobile home rental. All appliances will stay. **BLC# 21701401**

18756 Mill Grove Drive Noblesville • \$269,900
PENDING

Many recent updates in this 2 story, 4BR, 2.5BA home. New carpet, fresh paint, new roof 2020. All kitchen appliances stay, basement, adjacent multi-acre common area. **BLC# 21695300**

455 North 17th Street Noblesville • \$209,900
PENDING

Cute and move in ready, 4 BR, 2 BA with finished basement, main level has hardwood floors. Kitchen w/SS appliances, fenced rear yard, many updates "A real Gem". **BLC# 21695622**

5593 South Flinchum Way Noblesville • \$279,900
SOLD!

Lovely 2 story in Hazel Dell Woods with 4 BR & 2.5 BA. Finished basement, fresh paint, kit appliances stay, home on over a 1/2 acre lot and this home is move-in ready. **BLC# 21696880**

8861 Lavender Court Noblesville • \$329,900
NEW LISTING!

Beautiful well maintained 4 BR, 2.5 BA w/3-car garage, finished basement w/rec room, kitchen has loads of counter space and all appliances stay. Prof. landscaping, stamped patio + fire pit. Don't miss out on this one. **BLC# 21698357**

COVID-19 cancellations

Send your event cancellation notice to Notices@ReadTheReporter.com

Countywide

Westfield

Prevail providing services despite temporary closure

Westfield Lions Club postpones Poker for Sight tournament

To Our Community,
Over the past week Prevail staff have continued to provide limited staffing in the office, while meeting most of the needs of our clients by phone. With the Governor's announcement requiring us all to stay home, we will be closing the office and asking all employees to work from home. If you are in need of Prevail services, please call us! Our community is very important to us and we will continue to serve those who need us. Our business line, 317-773-6942, will be available for voicemail messages that will be checked throughout the day (with an option to press 1 to be forwarded to the crisis line) and our crisis line, 317-776-3472, will be answered live during this time. We look forward to continuing to support those who need our services in new and creative ways!
* * *
For more information, visit prevailinc.org.

The **REPORTER**
The Westfield Lions Poker for Sight Texas Hold 'Em Poker tournament, originally scheduled for April 17 and 18, will be postponed until Friday and Saturday, June 12 and 13. The Lions Poker for Sight tournaments are the largest fund raisers for the Westfield group. They are a vital part of the club's philanthropic endeavors every year. For more information or to register for Lions Poker for Sight go to lions-poker.org. For more information on the Westfield Lions Club go to westfieldlions.org.

Riverview Health closes physician offices, limiting orthopedic hours

Community First Bank limits lobby traffic, remains open for business

The REPORTER
Riverview Health has closed all but three primary care offices and limit hours for orthopedics offices. The three primary care offices that will remain open include Noblesville Family Medicine, Sheridan Family Medicine and Hazel Dell Family Care. The open orthopedics offices will be Riverview Health Orthopedics & Sports Medicine – Carmel and Riverview Health Orthopedics & Sports Medicine – Westfield. Patients needing to schedule an appointment, refill a prescription or otherwise consult with their provider should call their physician's office. No walk-ins will be allowed at any of the open offices.

The REPORTER
All CFB branches have temporarily closed the lobbies to walk-in traffic. The Oak Ridge branch in Westfield will remain fully staffed and able to assist customers. Banking will still be carried out via four drive-up locations, six 24/7 ATMs, online banking, mobile app, night depository, and in-person appointments by request (including new account openings, loan appointments, etc.). Please call (765) 236-0600 with any questions.

Carmel

PrimeLife temporarily closes doors

The REPORTER
Due to the growing serious health threat of the coronavirus, PrimeLife Enrichment has temporarily closed its Center, located at 1078 Third Ave. SW in Carmel, effective immediately. The facility will remain closed at least until April 6 and potentially longer. Handy also announced that the Central Indiana Council on Aging (CICOA) will deliver lunches to those in need. She encouraged PrimeLife Enrichment members to contact CICOA for additional information. Visit primelifeenrichment.org for more information.

Palladium concerts rescheduled

The REPORTER
The Center for the Performing Arts has rescheduled four Center Presents concerts that had been postponed in response to public health guidelines for COVID-19. Ticket holders with questions can contact Patron Services at Tickets@TheCenterPresents.org. The rescheduled performances will be part of the 2020-21 Center Presents 10th Anniversary Season sponsored by Allied Solutions.

Hamilton North Public Library closes branches

The Hamilton North Public Library is closed to the public until April 16.

Comprehensive Plan Update meeting postponed

The Hamilton County Plan Commission Comprehensive Plan Update public hearing scheduled for White River Township on April 16, 2020 has been postponed. A new date will be announced when officials have decided the coronavirus is no longer a threat.

County Parks & Rec announces closures

Hamilton County Parks & Recreation has closed all county playgrounds. All county parks and public restrooms in the parks will remain open.

County E911 Executive Board cancels meeting

The Hamilton County E911 Executive Board has canceled the meeting originally scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2020.

Carmel closes Monon Community Center

The Monon Community Center is closed until further notice. For the most up-to-date information, please visit carmelclayparks.com/coronavirus-information.

Carmel School Board meeting canceled

In compliance with Governor Eric Holcomb's order, the April 14, 2020, Workshop Session of the Carmel Clay School Board of Trustees has been canceled.

Cicero

Town of Cicero cancels two upcoming meetings

The Town of Cicero has canceled the Plan Commission meeting scheduled for April 15, 2020, and the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting scheduled for April 23, 2020.

Arcadia

Hamilton Heights School Board cancels meeting

The Hamilton Heights School Corporation school board meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 2020, has been canceled.

Atlanta

Mr. Muffin's closes train layout display to public

Submitted
For the health and safety of our customers and friends, the layout at Mr. Muffin's Trains in Atlanta will be closed for now. The shop will remain open for shipping and pickups. We are taking additional safety precautions, including curbside pickup. We strongly recommend placing credit card orders via the [website](http://www.mrmuffinstrains.com); you can still pick up the order by clicking the "Pickup in Store" button in the shopping cart. We'll pull the product and notify you when it's ready to pick up. If you have any questions or concerns, please call (765) 292-2022 or visit MrMuffinsTrains.com.

Atlanta Town Council closes public places

The Atlanta Town Council has closed the following public places:
• Town Hall
• Community Center
• Playground at the park, but not the park itself
The Easter Egg Hunt has also been postponed until further notice. These closures will remain in effect until further notice.

Noblesville Plan Commission meeting canceled

The City of Noblesville has canceled the Plan Commission meeting originally scheduled for April 20, 2020.

NHS Alumni Banquet canceled

The NHS Alumni Board has canceled the 2020 NHS Alumni Banquet.

Fishers

Fishers GOP Club cancels Meet & Greet

The Fishers GOP Club has canceled its Meet & Greet scheduled for April 9 at the Delaware Township Community Center.

Lobby closed at Fishers Police Department Headquarters

The Fishers Police Department has closed the lobby of its headquarters. Please call (317) 595-3300 to speak to Records staff and (317) 773-1282 to speak with a Fishers police officer.



Hamilton County Sports

Sports Editor Richie Hall

 Rhall1977@gmail.com
 Twitter: @Richie_Hall

NOBLESVILLE, CARMEL, WESTFIELD, SHERIDAN, HAMILTON HEIGHTS, FISHERS, UNIVERSITY, GUERIN CATHOLIC, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN

Was to feature several Hamilton County players, coaches . . . Indiana-Kentucky All-Star series canceled for 2020

The Indiana-Kentucky All-Star basketball games have been canceled for 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic, officials from both states announced Thursday.

With governmental leadership in both states implementing stay-at-home mandates, schools being closed for the remainder of the academic year and group gatherings limited to 10 people are fewer through late May, Indiana game director Mike Broughton and Kentucky game director Scott Chalk jointly agreed that the All-Star series would not be contested in 2020.

All-Star leadership from both states understands the seriousness of this pandemic and supports measures being implemented by governmental leadership in both states. Thus with great disappointment, the All-Star leadership is canceling the All-Star competition for this year.

The cancellation includes the Indiana-Kentucky Senior Games (that were to be on June 5 at Great Crossing High School in Georgetown, Ky., and June 6 at Southport Fieldhouse in Indianapolis) and the Indiana-Kentucky Junior Games (that were to be on June 1 at Floyd Central High School).

On the Indiana side only, the cancellation also includes the Indiana Junior-Senior Games (that were to be on June 3, site not yet announced) and the All-Star Shootout for current high school teams (that was to be on June 6 at Ben Davis High School).

It is planned that all aspects of the Indiana-Kentucky All-Star Series will resume in 2021. Tentative dates for the 2021 All-Star games will be June 4 in Kentucky and June 5 at Southport Fieldhouse.

"I am sad for the players and coaches who comprise this year's All-Star teams," Broughton said. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the seniors who made the team, but they do have the satisfaction that they are an Indiana All-Star for life. We wish all members of the 2020 All-Stars a great transition to college after their fantastic high school careers."

Broughton also expressed gratitude to Perry Township Schools superintendent Patrick Mapes and Southport High School officials for their work on hosting the 2020 games that now will not be played.

"I want to thank Pat Mapes and Southport High School for their help in setting up this year's games," Broughton said. "All fans who purchased tickets for this year's event at Southport will receive refunds."

There were several Hamilton County connections to this year's All-Star games. On the girls side, Hamilton Southeastern's Sydney Parrish was selected for the All-Star team, while Fishers' Katie Burton and Carmel's Bridget Dunn were both named Junior All-Stars. Burton was part of the Core Group and Dunn was in the Red Group.

Noblesville coach Donna Buckley was to be one of the All-Stars assistant coaches, while Fishers coach Lauren Votaw was selected to be an assistant coach on the Junior All-Stars squad.

On the boys' side, Hamilton Southeastern's Mabor Majak was named to the All-Star team earlier this week. Carmel coach Ryan Osborn was selected to be the head coach of the All-Star team.

The boys' portion of the Indiana-Kentucky All-Star series dates to 1940 with



Kirk Green/File photo

Carmel's Bridget Dunn (above) and Fishers' Katie Burton (below) were both selected as Indiana Junior All-Stars for 2020. They were to join the other All-Stars for the annual Indiana-Kentucky All-Star series in June, but the series has been canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

games being played in 78 of the 81 years. Games also were not played in 1943 and 1944 because of World War II. The girls' portion of the All-Star series was added in 1976, and it had been contested for 44 consecutive years. This will be the first interruption in the girls' series. The Indiana boys hold a 99-44 advantage in the games with Kentucky. The Indiana girls lead 50-38 in their series with the Bluegrass state.

The Indiana All-Stars were created in 1939 and played a game against the state champion Frankfort Hot Dogs that year. The series against Kentucky was started in 1940.

Indiana-Kentucky Junior All-Star games have been contested five times over the past eight years. That series, with two games each year for boys and girls, has been played in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2018 and 2019. The Indiana Junior Boys lead 6-4 in their series with Kentucky. The Indiana Junior Girls hold a 9-1 advantage in their series with Kentucky.

The Indiana Junior All-Stars were started in 1996. The Indiana Junior All-Stars have played exhibition games against the Indiana senior All-Stars for 25 years – 1996 through 2019. The Indiana senior boys and Indiana senior girls both hold 39-10 advantages in the Senior-Junior games.

The All-Star Shootout has been held on the day of the Indiana seniors' home game against Kentucky each year starting in 2009. The Shootout is an event where high school teams each receive two "shootout games" for their teams in the morning or early afternoon. The players and coaches on those high school teams also receive a ticket to attend the Indiana-Kentucky senior games that evening as part of their participation in the Shootout.



Richie Hall/File photo

Let's Talk

YOUR STORY STARTS HERE.
TalkToTucker.com

Call me 317.407.6969
dani.robinson@talktotucker.com

Be safe and take care of one another

Call Dani to talk about anything for wellness of home and wellness of heart

4984 N CHOSIN FEW LN • \$204,999 Large Kitchen • New HVAC • Crawfordsville 0 221st STREET • \$140,000 10 Acres • Noblesville	3877 E 100 N • \$189,999 NEW LISTING! 3 BR / 2 BA • 8.67 Acres • Lebanon 0 EAST 450 S • \$39,999 4.74 Acres • Middletown	3701 E 100 N • \$200,000 NEW LISTING! 14.24 Acres • Lebanon 11509 IVY LANE • \$230,000 2 BR / Loft Condo • Many Upgrades
---	---	---

Want more of the best
news coverage in
Hamilton County?

Email

Subscribe@
ReadTheReporter.com

and sign up for the Daily
E-Edition today!

Indy Fuel coach wrote the following letter to the team's fans:

To our loyal fans,

Hopefully this letter finds you healthy and enjoying some extra time with loved ones during these unprecedented times. While I'm sure you're all doing your part to help keep our community safe, I'm writing with the intention of providing a brief respite from the non-stop coverage of the Coronavirus.

First and foremost, I want to thank all of the Fuel fans for their support this season. Since the season was cancelled, I've had a lot of time to think and gain perspective on what is most important and my biggest takeaway is that everyday matters. You never know how your life will change tomorrow.

Admittedly, during the season, it is easy for coaches, players and staff to have tunnel vision and focus solely on the next practice, game, and road trip. The season can be all encompassing with the inevitable highs and lows. Every coach, player and fan know that you're either going to end the season with a championship or a disappointing loss; however, this year, was unlike anything any of us could have imagined. In order to move forward, let's take a look back.

I knew when I accepted the job last summer that we were going to have some growing pains to start the season; however, as I've said before, I truly believed that Indy was a sleeping giant in the ECHL. We returned just 17 percent of the goal scoring from the previous year and had many new faces in the dressing room. In fact, this season ended with only one ECHL contracted player on the roster from last season - Alex Brooks. My primary goal the first month of the season was to establish a winning culture based on communication, a shared vision, passion for the game and an unrelenting work ethic. Simply put, my staff and I wanted to set a new standard for what it meant to play for Indianapolis. We had high expectations and frankly, it's what the fans deserve. The ultimate goal was to bring together a group of men who genuinely cared for one another and were willing to work hard for each other and the city for whom they played. I believe we accomplished that goal.

Lord knows, the season was not without tough nights or frustrating stretches. We endured a particularly bruising seven-game losing streak which was partially chronicled by Bob Kravitz from the Athletic. We suffered more heartbreaking losses than I care to admit, but our group showed a relentless drive to compete and I hope that made you proud.

If you can remember the heartbreak, you can also recall the seven overtime winners, including Craig Wyszomirski's game winning goal vs. Toledo to send us home for Christmas. I bet you can also visualize Bobby MacIntyre streaking down the wing and finding Spencer Watson for a goal - it happened a lot! You witnessed selfless shot blocks by Joe Sullivan, Michael Doherty and Derian Plouffe. You, like us, were excitedly anticipating the possibilities of a play-off run; however, what I hope you remember most is that you saw a TEAM. I have coached professional hockey for nine years and I can honestly tell you that this group of men were special. They welcomed others, they respected each other, and they wanted to get better every day. They loved Indianapolis and playing for the Fuel. It was a talented group and their commitment to Indy has set the standard for what it means to play for the Fuel. I am proud of the many things we accomplished this season, but what I am most proud of is the character of this team. They were worthy ambassadors for Indy during winning streaks and losing streaks - after big wins and gut-wrenching losses. But in the end, their finest hour was how they handled the unexpected rise of the Coronavirus. They respected the danger it presented and immediately became leaders locally and in their hometowns. It was during this dark and disappointing moment that they rallied together to show what a special team they were. They did not do it for



fanfare, rather, they did it for each other. I also want to thank all the fans for supporting our players as well as players across the league with our jersey auction initiative. We raised over \$13,000 and are excited to play a large role in helping the ECHL and PHPA reach their goals!

While we hope to have many players return next season, inevitably some will retire, head to Europe, and embark on new paths, but I hope you, like me, will look fondly back on this season, and to this group of men, who laid the groundwork for the great things to come.

See you next season,
Doug Christiansen

kent graham images

317-313-9599

As water reflects a face, so a man's heart reflects the man. Prov. 27-19

kentgraham@sbcglobal.net

kentgraham.photoshelter.com

Keep Your Spirit Up and Your Body Fit!

PrimeLife

Enrichment Center

Now Offering Online Classes for PLE Members

For more information, email pleseniorcenter@gmail.com

PrimeLifeEnrichment.org

Information Technology can be complicated

The answer can be simple

Simplify

IT

Hardware • Network Solutions

Internet • Security & Monitoring

Call Simplify IT.

866.987.2349

Serving Hamilton County & Central Indiana

Hamilton County Reporter

Click the button

Like us on Facebook

SNYDER

STRATEGY

317-345-3960

WandaLyons.com