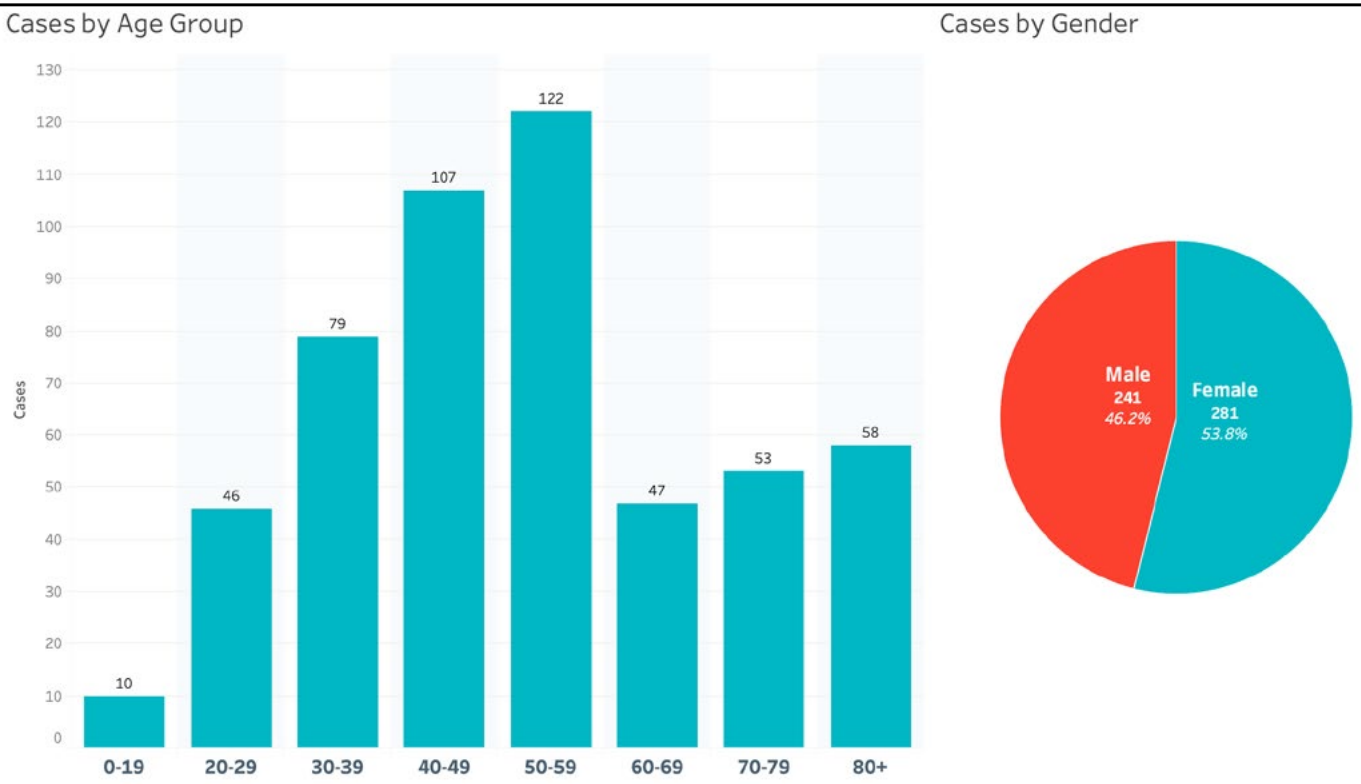


County health officials release latest COVID-19 demographics



On Friday, the Hamilton County Health Department released additional COVID-19 demographic data. The data indicated the age group 50-59 has recorded the most COVID-19 cases. According to the health department, females accounted for 53.8 percent of COVID-19 cases. As of Friday, the Indiana State Department of Health reported a total of 542 positive cases have been confirmed in Hamilton County. A total of 31 county residents have died.

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Cicero man missing on Morse Lake recovered

The REPORTER
The boater missing since April 6 has been located and his body recovered from Morse Lake.
The victim, 45-year-old Jeremy Clayton, was a resident of Cicero. His family has been notified.
The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office extends its condolences to his family and friends.
The Sheriff's Department, the Department of Natural Resources and Hamilton County Emergency Management drone pilots had been searching Morse Lake for Clayton since Monday, April 6.
Hamilton County Sheriff's Department Public Information Officer Ryan McClain previously told The Reporter that Clayton "had possibly dropped a friend off at the marina. 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 struck another boat. The engine was still running.

Carmel Clay Parks & Rec furloughs 471 employees

The REPORTER
Efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, including the Governor's stay-at-home order, have altered what everyone can and cannot do. Unfortunately, these necessary decisions to save lives, made by elected leaders and public health officials, have significantly impacted businesses and organizations throughout the state and country, including Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation (CCPR).
Since March 12, most of the programs and services provided by CCPR have been mandated by an executive order from the Governor to temporarily cease operations, including the Monon Community Center and Extended School Enrichment. Because of these closures, CCPR no longer has incoming revenue from user fees and memberships crucial to help cover operating expenses, including payroll.
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Klitzing
The realities we face during these unprecedented times require us to make some very difficult decisions. Decisions I sincerely wish we did not have to make. It is our hope, and we remain optimistic, that the furlough is temporary and we can bring our people back as soon as possible," said Parks Director Michael Klitzing. "While I cannot predict when things will get back to normal, or what the new normal will look like, I do know we will

get through this. When we do, the programs and services Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation provides will be even more important for our community."
CCPR will also provide resources such as access to an Employee Assistance Program, and guidance for staff to file for unemployment compensation.
CCPR's goal is to bring every person back on the payroll as soon as financial conditions permit. When operations are able to resume, each and every employee will be critical in helping Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation once again be the best part of each member's, participant's or visitor's day.

Indiana State Election Commission sets final guidelines for primary

There have been many questions on what Primary Election Day will look like this year, and much of that has now been determined by an order issued by the Indiana Election Commission on Friday.
Here in Indiana you will have many choices when determining how you wish to vote for the candidates of your choice. By mail, in-person on Primary Election Day, or early voting at eight locations, the week prior gives you an opportunity to pick the best way for individually to cast your ballots.
After the President de-


GUEST COLUMNIST
KATHY WILLIAMS
Hamilton County Clerk
clared a national emergency on March 13 due to the coronavirus, the Governor announced that the May 5 primary would be postponed until June 2. At the same time, it was determined by the Indiana Election Commission that absentee voting would be opened to all registered voters without a reason, and all who wished to apply for a ballot could all vote by mail.
We continue to encourage voting by mail as the best and safest way for many voters during this time

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Photo provided
The new Burger King restaurant, located at 819 E. State Road 32, Westfield, is expected to open this month.

New Burger King coming to Westfield's Monon Crossing

The REPORTER
Hanley Investment Group Real Estate Advisors, a nationally recognized real estate brokerage and advisory firm specializing in retail property sales, announced today that the firm has completed the sale of a newly constructed, absolute net ground lease Burger King in Westfield. The sale price was \$2.4

million, which represented a 5 percent cap rate, the lowest cap rate for a single-tenant Burger King in the state of Indiana.
Hanley Investment Group's Dylan Mallory represented the Indianapolis-based seller and devel-


Mallory
oper, Midland Atlantic Properties. Ryan Chakroff, of Marcus & Millichap in Denver, represented the buyer, a private investor also based in Denver.
Located at 819 E. State Road 32 in Westfield, the 3,235

square-foot Burger King sits on 1.33 acres and is a part of Monon Crossing, a new multi-tenant retail development.
"We procured seven offers during the marketing process including a full-priced offer within the first 24 hours," said Mallory. "The entire transaction

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New shopping website set up for businesses at Carmel City Center, Indiana Design Center

The REPORTER
Pedcor Companies, a retail and multi-family housing developer headquartered in Carmel, has launched an eCommerce site to the public that supports its local retail tenants at Carmel City Center (CCC) and the Indiana Design Center (IDC).
The site, shop.carmelcitycenter.com, was developed as a one-stop-shop featuring products from participating retail stores at both shopping centers. The eCommerce site's original launch in 2017 was exclusive to Pedcor employees who are given employee rewards gift certificates from Pedcor to shop the site and support the merchants.
In the face of challenges related to COVID-19 and stores being mandated by

the state of Indiana to close their doors to foot traffic, Pedcor and its web partner accelerated the eCommerce site's launch to the public so retailers can generate more online sales. Without the eCommerce site, several of the locally-owned small businesses would not have an online shopping platform.
"Our goal in creating this special shoppable website is to assist the small businesses at Carmel City Center and the Indiana Design Center with their online customer reach, while thanking and rewarding our off-site employees across the country with vouchers to shop it," said Melissa Averitt, senior vice president at Pedcor Companies. "We

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Gov. Holcomb considers early May as possible reopening of state

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Gov. Eric Holcomb on Thursday said he expects Indiana to experience a reopening in early May.
"It'll be a very methodical, data-driven, rolling, gradual, incremental process," he said. "And so it won't go from zero to 100, or it won't be like flipping on a light switch, where everything is immediately back to normal. We didn't arrive here overnight and we're not going to get out of the woods overnight."
Holcomb said a number of Midwestern

states on Thursday "signed on to jointly" make sure that neighbors are informed about the actions the neighboring states are taking when it comes to the reopening process. He said Indiana is communicating with Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Illinois and Kentucky.
"We are all thinking about that smart restart, opening of our state in a very gradual, methodical way, if the numbers continue to hold," he said.


Holcomb
A news release from the governors said at least four factors will be examined when determining when best to reopen the economy:
• Sustained control of the rate of new infections and hospitalizations.
• Enhanced ability to test and trace.
• Sufficient health care capacity to handle resurgence.
• Best practices for social distancing in

the workplace.
Holcomb has also sent a letter to "major associations" in Indiana requesting input, recommendations and suggestions on modifications and changes that can be made to allow employees to feel safe to go back to work. He requested the associations make their recommendations by April 22 so the state "can in May hit the ground running."
"I'm not putting a May 1 date out there, or May 2, or May 7 or May 8, but we are thinking early May," he said.



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of crisis. An application can be found on the [Hamilton County website](#) as well at [Indianavoters.com](#).

Voting by mail began on March 17 and continues every day until 11:59 p.m. on May 21. The Election Office staff and the Absentee Board has mailed out 9,279 ballots and there have been 2,952 returned as Friday, April 17. Compare this to the 2016 primary where a total of 3,358 ballots were returned. With five weeks to go, nearly three times the number of total ballots have been processed as in 2016.

In addition to the ability to vote by mail, voters will

be able to vote at their regular polling locations across Hamilton County on June 2. We have 124 of our 133 polling locations confirmed. Eight locations could no longer host a polling place due to previous commitments, so we are in the process of finding new locations for those locations and believe we will have them confirmed by early next week. If your polling location has changed since the last election, you will receive a notice in the mail to identify your new polling place.

In addition, there will be eight satellite locations that will be open for early voters from May 26 to May 30 each

day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Those locations include:

- Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center and the Hamilton County Fairgrounds in Noblesville
- Coxhall Mansion and Mercy Road Church in Carmel
- Billerica Park and Fishers City Hall in Fishers
- Westfield City Hall and Westfield Public Safety Building in Westfield

With all the preparations for this election cycle, the health of our voters and staff is directly in the forefront of all our planning. The Secretary of State is procuring safety supplies for all poll workers statewide. Masks,

gloves, cleaning supplies will be used at the early voting and Election Day locations for poll workers. We are finalizing and will announce later some other procedures we will be using for in-person voting.

If you are not registered to vote, midnight on May 4 is the deadline to register for the June 2 Primary Election. You can register online if you have an Indiana driver's license.

For more information you can go to hamilton-county.in.gov or contact the Election Office at (317) 776-8476. Also, emails can be sent to elections@hamiltoncounty.in.gov.

KING

process – from marketing launch to close of escrow – was 45 days. This time period included resolving several issues caused by the Coronavirus pandemic.”

According to Mallory, the Burger King, at Monon Crossing, is scheduled to open this month and is operated by Carrols Restaurant Group. Carrols is one of largest restaurant franchisees in the US, operating more than 1,030 Burger King restaurants and over 60 Popeyes restaurants.

“Out-of-state investors were attracted to the growing affluent demographics of Westfield and Hamilton County,” Mallory said.

“Quick service restaurants like Burger King can serve immediate needs and perform well in an economic downturn.”

About Hanley Investment Group

Hanley Investment Group Real Estate Advisors is a retail investment advisory firm with a \$6+ billion transaction track record nationwide, who works closely with individual investors, lending institutions, developers, and institutional property owners in every facet of the transaction to ensure that the highest value is achieved. For more information, visit hanleyinvestment.com.

Hello, Hamilton County

With Mr. Weatherman, Paul Poteet





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SHOPPING

are proud to expand shop.carmelcitycenter.com's accessibility to the public to


further our tenants' online sales potential.”

In 2020 alone, Pedcor awarded nearly \$100,000 worth of gift certificates to 400 employees from around the country to shop the eCommerce site.

"The eCommerce site that Pedcor developed to reward its employees and launch to the public has been an amazing tool and had a strong impact on my shop's bottom line," said Bath Junkie owner Melissa Farmer. "Since the coronavirus pandemic has forced

us to close our doors, online orders have been our saving grace. Our customers can visit us virtually to shop and support the Carmel City Center retailers in one place and enjoy curbside pickup or shipping.”

Pedcor worked with a local website developer to create the custom eCommerce site. Visitors can shop multiple storefronts at one time and checkout with each business individually. To browse and shop the retail offerings, visit shop.carmelcitycenter.com.



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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.





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Westfield kindergarten registration now open

The REPORTER

Online kindergarten registration is open for the 2020-21 school year. Any child who lives in Westfield and is five years of age on or before Aug. 1 may enroll in kindergarten.

Be sure to check out [this link](#) which includes all the documents you need to have ready before starting the online registration process. Your child's application cannot be completed without appropriate documentation.

You can even use your phone to upload required registration documents.

Also, information on kindergarten roundup nights and screenings will be forthcoming. Schools are working through those details and

the district will notify families as soon as those details are confirmed.

Once you have prepared all necessary documentation, you can visit www.k12.in.us/domain/481 to begin the online registration process.

Sen. Young calls for extending Paycheck Protection Program

The REPORTER

U.S. Senator Todd Young (R-Ind.) issued the following statement regarding funding for the Paycheck Protection Program, which lapsed Thursday:

"The Paycheck Protection Program has helped tens of thousands of Hoosier businesses make it through this

challenging time and keep their employees on payroll, but there are countless more still in need of assistance," said Young. "Speaker Nancy Pelosi's refusal to provide additional funding for this bipartisan program is indefensible. I will continue fighting on behalf of Indiana to ensure this program has the funding it

needs to protect Hoosier paychecks."

Earlier this week, Young announced 23,583 Paycheck Protection Program loans have been approved in Indiana totaling just under \$6 billion.

To view Senator Young's coronavirus relief toolkit, [click here](#).



Young

SMC in Noblesville contributing to new ventilator design prototype

The REPORTER

SMC Corporation, a leader in pneumatic technology, is creating products being used on a new ventilator design prototype created from scratch

by G-Tech, a vacuum cleaner company in the United Kingdom.

The company is being overwhelmed by the response and the Noblesville SMC location is

helping to make a difference on a global scale to combat COVID-19. SMC recognizes the need to provide supply chain information to customers during this critical time

and is providing 24/7 service when needed and online training to keep products moving.

[Click here](#) for more information about SMC's Noblesville location.

Aspire starts "warm line" to help people with behavioral health needs

The REPORTER

Aspire Indiana Health has launched Connections – Aspire Warm Line, an innovative new way to connect people to behavioral health care and other services during the pandemic, and beyond. It is primarily aimed at folks who are not currently mental health clients at Aspire, or anywhere.

Unlike a traditional hotline for urgent needs, the free warm line phone service is intended for people who are experiencing non-emergency distress or concerns resulting from COVID-19. Research has shown some people are hesitant to call a hotline number because they don't feel like their challenges are im-

portant enough.

Callers may not think they need traditional therapy or be unfamiliar with it, and just want someone to talk to. The staff manning the Connections number, (888) 967-5842, have been trained in Psychological First Aid (PFA) to engage people to tell their story. Unlike formalized debriefing models, PFA is appropriate to all development levels across the lifespan and can be delivered in multiple ways.

Based on these interactions, callers may be referred to Aspire's call center to set up an appointment or

to the 24/7 Crisis Line if needed. Callers may also be referred to other resources or agencies in counties where Aspire does not offer the services they need.

"The psychological footprint of a crisis or disaster situation is much larger than the medical footprint," said Jody Horstman, Aspire Chief Integration Officer. "Just as we have taken steps to 'flatten the curve' so hospitals aren't overwhelmed with COVID-19 patients, we want to be proactive in addressing the 'second curve' of behavioral health issues before it overwhelms the

capacity to handle it."

Connections will operate from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Every kind of distress/anxiety should be recognized as important and receive attention before it develops into an emergency situation.

Learn more at Aspire-Indiana.org.



Horstman

AG Hill expands Prescription Drug Safety course to more Indiana counties

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill on Friday announced that an interactive online prescription drug safety course for high school students is expanding to eight additional Indiana counties through a strategic partnership with EVERFI Inc., a leading social impact technology innovator.

High school students in Allen, Clark, Delaware, Hancock, Lake, Morgan, Vanderburgh and Wayne counties now have access to the course, "Prescription Drug Safety." This brings the total number of counties sponsored by the Office of the Attorney General to 18.

"Prescription Drug Safety" is designed to provide high school students with the knowledge and tools to make healthy, informed decisions when it comes to prescription medications. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one in five high school seniors reports having misused prescription drugs at

least once.

"We are proud to bring this vital education to students in eight additional counties in Indiana," Hill said. "Prescription-drug misuse is the fastest-growing drug problem in America, and it profoundly impacts teenagers."

The course uses interactive scenarios and self-guided activities to help students learn the facts about prescription drugs, how to properly use and dispose of them, and how to step in when faced with a situation involving misuse. The program includes six learning modules that cover topics such as the principles of addiction and the medical uses and potential dangers of using different types of drugs – including opioids, stimulants and depressants – without a prescription.

"Our communities are being devastated by the misuse and abuse of prescription drugs," said Jon

Chapman, founder and president of EVERFI. "We are focused on providing a system of prevention education, which we believe is a powerful tool in reaching youth, who are one of our most at-risk populations, so they feel empowered to make healthy and informed decisions when it comes to prescription medication."

"Prescription Drug Safety" uses an evidence-based, universal, public health approach to learning, along with interactive, true-to-life scenarios that reinforce key learning objectives. An important component of the course is teaching students how to deal with situations involving misuse. Students explore the thoughts of their peers and debunk common myths. They also step into the shoes of a student engaging in misuse and get to see the real results of their choices.



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Meeting Notice

The Cicero Town Council meeting originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2020, has been canceled.

**Thanks for reading
The Reporter**

Virtual Meetings

The Noblesville Common Council Finance Committee meeting will be held virtually at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2020, using Microsoft Teams. Public comment will not be permitted, but anyone wishing to listen to the meeting may do so by calling (812) 250-2251 and entering 593615021# when prompted.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly Personnel and Benefits Committee meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 2020, virtually using GoToMeeting. Instructions and links to the meeting can be found at trico.eco.

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Duke Energy asks you to ‘shine a light’ on lineworkers today

The REPORTER

Snapped poles and tangled power lines over a battered landscape of downed trees are the usual challenges lineworkers face after severe weather strikes – but the COVID-19 pandemic and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control’s recommended safety guidelines added new complexities to lineworkers’ already complicated work.

Spring storms that barreled across the Midwest and Southeast this month tested even the most seasoned lineworkers, who adjusted to new social distancing and face mask requirements while working to restore power to nearly 1 million Duke Energy customers – including essential services like hospitals, grocery stores and schools that provide meals.

Electricity plays an essential role during a time when many people – because of stay-at-home orders – now live, work, eat, teach, learn and play exclusively at home, every day.

Front Lights for Front-Line Workers

April 18 is National Lineworker Appreciation Day – a day set aside each year to honor the men and women who dedicate themselves to the often-hazardous work of keeping the lights on. But this year, Duke Energy is sharing the spotlight with all essential workers who are keeping the nation safe and functioning during the pandemic.

“I’ve been awestruck by the selfless acts of everyday heroes – from the health care workers fighting the virus on the front lines, to store clerks stocking the shelves with food, to concerned citizens delivering groceries to elderly neighbors,” said Harry Sideris, senior vice president of Duke Energy customer experience and services. “We are all united in the midst of this uncertainty, and we find ourselves – as we often do in crises – on the front lines doing the necessary work to keep things running. We’re especially proud of our lineworkers for keeping the lights on for the essen-

tial facilities, homes and businesses that depend on us during such an important time in our nation.”

As part of the shared recognition, the company is encouraging its customers and communities to turn on front lights at 9 p.m. tonight for its “Front lights for Front-Line Workers” initiative to recognize all front-line heroes.

Those who wish to participate are encouraged to use the hashtags #FrontLights4FrontLineWorkers and #ThankALineman on social media.

More than 7,800 Duke Energy and contract lineworkers are part of the Duke Energy team in six states, including Indiana. They are responsible for constructing, operating and maintaining equipment and more than 300,000 miles of power lines in Duke Energy’s service territories. That’s enough to wrap around the Earth 12 times.

For more information about Duke Energy’s lineworkers, follow @DukeEnergy on Twitter and visit [Facebook on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/DukeEnergy). [Click here](#) to watch lineworkers in the field.

Letter to the Editor

George Kehl endorses Steve Nation for County Council

Dear Editor,

It is with great pleasure that I write to you supporting Steven Nation for Hamilton County Council.

I have known Steve for many years now, and it has always been easy to see how Steve has served the county with tremendous persistence, dedication, and grace. His many years of service include establishing Hamilton County Youth Assistance programs and establishing victim assistance in cases like domestic violence and child abuse. Steve has always been an advocate for those most in need.

I am confident in his ability to work well on the County Council, especially after his tremendous success as County Prosecutor and Judge. His approach to every scenario while serving in the county’s justice system was to help all people

succeed and provide an avenue for them to reach their highest potential.

I look forward to his continued accomplishments and successes by being on the County Council. On the council, Steve will bring the experience needed to help build and maintain an effective police and fire training center, and will bring the understanding and care needed to implement an effective county-wide mental health program for both juveniles and adults. I am confident in his ability to work with others to make these projects a reality and look forward to Hamilton County’s assured improvements with him on the Council.

Please remember to vote for Steven Nation for County Council on June 2.

George Kehl
Fishers

Letter to the Editor

Councilman Steve Schwartz asks you to vote for Jeff Hern

Dear Editor,

My time with Jeff Hern on the Hamilton County Council has been a wonderful experience. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know and working with him.

One of the necessities of being a good councilor is truly understanding the county budget and how each department fits into the county’s resources and necessary public services. Jeff is one of these people. His deep understanding of the county budget is a tremendous asset to our community.

Jeff has always believed in being a good steward of taxpayer money and getting to know the community you are a part

of. Since we share very similar philosophies about the role of government, it has been easy to work with Jeff to make Hamilton County an even better place.

No matter the situation, Jeff has consistently understood that to be an effective councilor, you must be ready to help at any level and that no problem is too small. Hamilton County is better because of Jeff Hern, and I look forward to continuing to work with him on the Council.

Please consider voting for Jeff Hern on June 2 for Hamilton County Council.

Steve Schwartz
Noblesville
Current Hamilton County Councilor

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A logo for Logan Street Signs & Banners featuring a cartoon character holding a sign and the text "Logan Street SIGNS & BANNERS www.LoganStreetSigns.com".

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5 tips on fighting loneliness during social distancing

StatePoint

As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, many people are staying in their homes to help prevent the spread of the disease. Feeling lonely from time to time is natural, but this unprecedented time of social distancing could lead to increased loneliness.

There are some easy ways to feel connected to others, even when you aren't seeing them in person. Consider these tips from Dr. Doug Nemecek, Cigna chief medical officer for behavioral health.

- Use technology ... but not too much. Social media is a favorite and easy way to stay connected to family and friends, but too much use can leave you feeling lonely. Cigna's 2020 U.S. Loneliness Index found that 72 percent of very heavy social media users identify themselves as lonely. Balance technology use with disconnecting and taking time for yourself. Use real-time interactions with others, like video chats, to build meaningful connections and limit time spent passively scrolling social media. Read a book, take a walk or do a puzzle after screen time. It may help you feel more connected when you spend time online.

- Join a virtual club or group. There are plenty of resources available to find virtual book clubs, craft communities or even fitness challenges. You can start a new hobby, learn a skill or find others who are interested in the same things as you, remotely. Once the guidelines for social distancing are lifted, you'll have new friends you can meet in person.

- Spend time outdoors. Simply leaving your house

to take a jog around your neighborhood or to walk your dog a few blocks could improve your spirits, refreshing you for the next time you virtually connect with others.

- Ask those you reach out to how they're really doing. How you connect with those in your network makes a significant difference in how lonely you feel. People tend to feel less lonely when connecting on a deeper level. Cigna's study found that those who do not feel they have close relationships that give them emotional security and well-being have an average loneliness score of nearly 15 points higher than those that do. When video chatting with friends, ask them for their most honest response when you ask how they're doing. Everyone will likely feel better for it.

- Rethink working hours. We spend approximately 90,000 hours at work over our lifetime, so how we spend that time will play an important role in how we feel overall. Improving your work-life balance and connecting with colleagues can reduce loneliness. Your employer may also benefit from you feeling less lonely. Lonely employees are less productive, produce lower quality work and miss more days of work. So, talk to your boss about slight changes you can make to how you spend your working hours. This could help you feel less lonely and benefit your company.

Being unable to spend time with others in-person will likely cause many of us to feel lonely, but there are ways to help lessen those feelings during this challenging time.

Alexander James Frederick September 5, 1991 – April 14, 2020

Alexander James Frederick, 28, Cicero, passed away on Tuesday, April 14, 2020. He was born on September 5, 1991 to James Humphries and Patricia (Drinan) Johnson in Phoenix, Ariz.



Alex worked in construction. He loved the outdoors, fishing, boating, and being on the beach. Alex appreciated good food and hot sauce. He was a comedian and loved to make people laugh. Alex enjoyed star gazing and dancing under the star light with Kristen.

He is survived by his wife, Kristen; mother, Patricia Johnson; father, James Humphries; brother, Nick Frederick; sister, Michelle Allen; sister, Stefani Molinar; brother, Garrett Johnson; sisters-in-law, Lauren Blair, Madelyn Ream and Joni Frederick; mother-in-law, Melissa Crawford.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Douglas and Marcella Drinan; great-grandmother, Vera June; and father-in-law, Mark Crawford.

No services are scheduled presently. The Frederick Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes with Alexander's care.

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Matthew R. Price November 6, 1978 – April 15, 2020

Matthew R. Price, 41, Indianapolis, passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at IU Health University Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born on November 6, 1978 to Thomas and Katherine (Stockdale) Price in Winfield, Ill.



Matt attended Hamilton Southeastern High School and received a bachelor's degree from Indiana University. He lived with his family in Broad Ripple and worked as a manager for NFI in Lebanon.

Matt was a talented singer and musician and appreciated music in all its forms. He was a natural entertainer throughout his life, bringing joy and laughter to his family and friends with his quick wit and knack for storytelling. He enjoyed cheering on the IU Hoosiers and Indianapolis Colts, with years of fond memories as a Colts season ticket holder.

He had a variety of hobbies, including golf, home improvement projects, and carpentry, but above all, Matt valued time spent with his family. His wife and daughter were the light of his life. Matt could always be counted on to take care of the ones he loved.

Matt fought his third battle with cancer with unwavering optimism and hope. He never missed an opportunity to express his gratitude to the professionals who helped him in this fight and was an inspiration to his family who stood by his side.

He is survived by his wife of seven years, Jessica Stuaan; daughter, Margot Rae Stuaan Price; parents, Tom and Katherine Price; sisters, Elizabeth Price (Chris Bly) and Mary Kay Price (Ian Dinius); in-laws, Mark and Sandy Stuaan; niece, Claire Dinius; and nephew, Teddy Bly.

Matt was preceded in death by his grandparents, Joy and Bob Price, and William and Florence Stockdale.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes has been entrusted with Matt's care.

Memorial contributions may be made to the IU Simon Cancer Center. Please make memorial gifts payable to IU Foundation and indicate "In memory of Matthew Price" on your gift. Mail to: IU Simon Cancer Center, P.O. Box 7072, Indianapolis, IN 46207.

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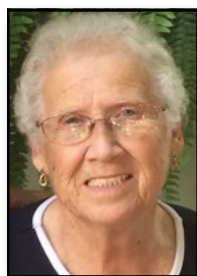
TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter: He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner; whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do. And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his household servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually; And when he had declared all these things unto them, he sent them to Joppa. On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour: And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance, And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth: Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

Acts 10:4-12 (KJV)

Iris Coralee (Beaty) Stone September 9, 1935 – April 16, 2020

Iris Coralee (Beaty) Stone, 84, Sheridan passed away in her home at Sanders Glen on Thursday, April 16, 2020. She was the widow of Arbie L. Stone.



Iris was born on September 9, 1935. She was a graduate of Tipton High School. Iris was employed in the cafeteria at Sheridan High School for many years.

She is survived by daughters, Debbie (Larry) McClay, Westfield, Sharon (Joe) Moore, Fishers, and son, Brian Stone, Sheridan. She is also survived by two brothers, Roland Beaty and Ed Beaty, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Due to social distancing, there will be a private graveside service at the Boxley Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations for the preservation of the Boxley Cemetery would be appreciated.

Donations can be made to Boxley Cemetery, c/o Betty Doane, 508 E. 6th St., Sheridan, IN 46069.

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Riverview Health closes physician offices, limiting orthopedic hours

The REPORTER
Riverview Health has closed all but three primary care offices and has limited 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.

PrimeLife temporarily closes doors

The REPORTER
Due to the growing serious health threat of the coronavirus, PrimeLife Enrichment has closed its Center, located at 1078 Third Ave. SW in Carmel, until further notice. Visit primelifeenrichment.org for more information. (CICOA) will deliver lunches to those in need. PrimeLife Enrichment members are encouraged to contact CICOA for additional information.

Atlanta

Mr. Muffin's closes train layout display to public

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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; 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.

Fishers

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.

Cicero

Cicero Board of Zoning Appeals meeting canceled

The Cicero Board of Zoning Appeals meeting originally scheduled for April 23, 2020, has been canceled..

Cicero Town Council meeting canceled

The Cicero Town Council meeting originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2020, has been canceled.

Westfield

Westfield Lions Club postpones Poker for Sight tournament

The REPORTER
The Westfield Lions Club 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 Club 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 Club Poker for Sight go to lions-poker.org. For more information on the Westfield Lions Club go to westfieldlions.org.

Community First Bank limits lobby traffic, remains open for business

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

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.

Carmel Community Players reschedules final two shows of this year's season

Dear Patrons:
The remaining two shows of the 2019-20 season will be delayed as follows:
The Last Five Years, which had been scheduled to run from April 24 to May 10, will shift forward to July 17-26, assuming rehearsals can start up again by May/June, for performances at The Cat. Click here to make a tax-deductible donation to Carmel Community Players. For more information, call (317) 815-9387 or visit carmelplayers.org.

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.

Sheridan

Sheridan Historical Society's Heritage Celebration Dinner postponed until fall

The REPORTER
The Sheridan Historical Society has canceled its annual Heritage Celebration Dinner, which was scheduled for Thursday, April 16. The dinner will be rescheduled for some time in the fall of 2020. The Sheridan Historical Society thanks everyone for their support during these troubling times and reminds everyone to STAY HOME and STAY SAFE.

Sheridan school board meeting canceled

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees meeting originally scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2020, has been canceled.

Noblesville

Community First Bank limits lobby traffic, remains open for business

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All CFB branches have temporarily closed the lobbies to walk-in traffic. The Pebble Village branch in Noblesville 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.

Noblesville Plan Commission meeting canceled

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

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2020 Australian Open men's doubles champion . . .

Shift in focus leads to Grand Slam triumphs for Rajeev Ram

By RICHIE HALL

A few years ago, Rajeev Ram shifted his focus from singles to doubles as continued his career on the ATP (men's professional tennis) tour.

Ram calls it a second career. He can also call himself a champion, as he started the decade by winning his first Grand Slam men's doubles title. The victory has established the 36-year-old from Carmel as one of the leading doubles players in the world, and Ram has no plans to stop now.

Ram and his partner, Great Britain's Joe Salisbury, won the Australian Open men's doubles title in January. The duo won six matches in the 64-player draw, dropping only one set along the way. In the championship match, Ram and Salisbury beat the Australian pair of Max Purcell and Luke Saville 6-4, 6-2.

"It was a bit of a strange situation," said Ram. "The guys we were playing were wild cards. They're Australian, so they got an exemption. They made it all the way to the finals."

Ram and Salisbury were seeded 11th in the tournament, which made them obvious favorites. Ram said that made for a bit of pressure, and then there was the fact that he and Salisbury were playing an unknown team. But they went out and won easily.

"We went out and played a great match. I did my thing, my partner played amazing," said Ram. He was happy with how they handled the moment of being in such an important match.

"It could've been tough, it could've been tricky and I think we both did a really nice job of handling the moment well," said Ram.

Right after the Australian Open, Ram reached his career-high ranking of No. 5 on the ATP doubles ranking list. He is currently ranked ninth.

The 2020 Australian Open was the 58th time that Ram had played doubles in a Grand Slam, or major, tournament



Photos provided

Rajeev Ram (right) won his first Grand Slam men's doubles title by triumphing at the 2020 Australian Open in January. Ram and his partner Joe Salisbury (left) only lost one set on their way to the trophy.

(Australian Open, French Open, Wimbledon and U.S. Open), and in fact, he has played doubles in every major since Wimbledon 2007. But Ram said that he didn't really focus on doubles until a few years ago, as he began to wind up his singles career.

Ram had a solid singles career, winning two titles at the grass-court event in Newport, R.I. in 2009 and 2015 and getting as high as No. 56 in the ATP rankings. But it was around 2016, he said, "when I really started to focus on my doubles. I almost feel like I started a second career then, or a shifted focus."

That change in focus has paid off handsomely, as Ram has won 12 of his 20 career ATP doubles titles since 2016. At the end of that year, he even reached the championship match of the ATP World Tour Finals with his then-partner, South Africa's Raven Klaasen, where the two lost a third-set super tiebreak by a narrow 10-8 margin.

Ram struck up his current partnership with Salisbury in 2019. The duo won two tournaments that year and reached three other finals, also getting to the quarter-finals of the French Open. They also qualified for the Nitto ATP Finals.

"We played all of 2019, so we know each other pretty well," said Ram. "We played a lot of big matches. We were a level that could win."

Ram's 2020 Australian Open win was his second in a Grand Slam event. He won his first at the 2019 Australian Open, teaming up with the Czech Republic's Barbora Krejčíková to win the mixed doubles title, again beating an Australian team in the final. In 2016, Ram and fellow American CoCo Vandeweghe reached the U.S. Open mixed doubles final, but fell in straight sets.

"When you play at the end of a major in any capacity, it's special," said Ram. "It's a pretty special feeling. That experience really helped me going into this Australian Open final."

Experience is something Ram can claim, as he has been a pro since 2004. But he's not the only 30-something playing at an elite level: In the current top 10 doubles rankings, nine of those players, including Ram, are between the ages of 33 and 38. The only player under 30 in the top 10 is Salisbury, who is 27.

Ram said there's a couple of direct causes for players still performing at a high level into their 30s. First, "the game has gotten a lot more physical," he said, and young players don't have the physical capabilities to play at the highest level of the games.

"It takes a bit longer to develop that physicality," said Ram.

The second reason is due to "huge advancements in the area of sports science," said Ram, such as nutrition, recovery and training. That allows players to keep their bodies performing at a high level so they can play tennis at a high level for a longer



Ram's serve and volley game (left) has been an asset for him as he shifted his focus to doubles. He is currently ranked ninth in the ATP doubles rankings. At right is his partner Joe Salisbury.

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Indiana Fever finish 2020 WNBA Draft with two guards

The Indiana Fever selected guards Kathleen Doyle from Iowa and Kamiah Smalls from James Madison with its second and third round picks in the 2020 WNBA Draft on Friday night.

The Fever selected Doyle with the 14th overall selection, which made her the first player from the University of Iowa drafted by the franchise.

Doyle earned 2020 Big Ten Player of the Year honors this season with the Hawkeyes. The 5-foot-9 guard averaged a career-high 18.1 points, 4.6 rebounds, 6.3 assists and 33.8 minutes per game, while starting all 30 games for Iowa this season.

The third team AP All-American this season started 114 of 123 games played with Iowa from 2016-20.

"We were ecstatic that Kathleen was there at No. 14 and she's going to be a part of the Fever family moving forward," Head Coach Marianne Stanley said. "The ball doesn't stick in her hands. The ball moves and she gets people into their spots."

The Philadelphia native, Smalls, came off the board with the 28th overall pick near the beginning of the third round.

The two-time Colonial Athletic Association Player of the Year ended her career averaging 14.5 points, 5.5 rebounds, 2.4 assists and 29.7 minutes per contest in 130 games with the Dukes.

The fourth player from James Madison to be drafted into the WNBA ended her collegiate career in nine all-time top-10 statistical categories with the program.

"Kamiah is an athletic guard who can play any of the three guard positions," Stanley said. "Even in the third round, you still can find players who can make an impact and contribute."

Smalls is also the first player from JMU drafted by the Fever.

Colts preparing for all obstacles at 'virtual' 2020 NFL Draft

By CHARLIE CLIFFORD
WISH-TV

Before we set up base camp for the most bizarre draft in professional sports history, the Colts are buying you some extra time.

Remember that hot headline: Indianapolis going quarterback early in round one in April? That got shredded pretty quick.

Philip Rivers, 38, although still situated in Florida amid the COVID-19 pandemic, is officially on his way to West 56th Street.

On Friday afternoon via a Zoom video call with media members, Colts general manager Chris Ballard shared the latest insight on the Rivers decision.

"This was a unique opportunity with Philip (Rivers)," Ballard said. "You have a potential Hall of Fame quarterback hit the market that has a history with both our head coach and our offensive coordinator. For now, we feel pretty good about the position."

And the changes? Oh, there are plenty more.

Of the Colts' seven picks (for now) in next week's draft, there will be no hooting and hollering from the Colts Complex. Beginning with selection No. 1 in Cincinnati, every NFL team will "virtually" call in picks from their own homes.

"Look, I think we know what is at stake during this draft," Ballard said. "This one is going to be heightened and there are already scrutinized at the hundredth degree anyway. This one is going to get scrutinized at the thousandth degree. Like I told our guys, we are not going to change the way we do business."

From Ballard to head coach Frank Reich to the entire Colts staff, each member of the organization is required to stay at their own home as the picks are made. Which begs the question: What could possibly go wrong?

"It just is what it is," Ballard said. "I have five kids and I have three dogs. Eventually, they are going to flash in front of the screen. I mean I've been waiting for my dogs to pop up here. They haven't popped down here in this basement. I've had a generator put in my house to make sure we have backup electricity and I've made sure we've had backup internet."

This April, it is best if you stay on your toes. An adventure awaits.

RAM

period.

"You're seeing players play into their 30s because their bodies allow them to do so," said Ram. He noted that when he started playing, recovery wasn't much thought of, now such things as ice baths and massages are the norm.

Another reason is that players are participating in less tournaments per year. Ram remembers that he once had a year where we played over 100 matches, but now he has cut back on his schedule in order to lengthen his career.

Of course, every pro tennis player's career is on hold as both the men's and women's tours are halted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ram said that right now sports are not the biggest concern. The international nature of tennis makes it likely that it will be one of the last sports to start up again.

"We're going to be the tail end of anything that comes back," said Ram. He also agrees with the postponement of the Olympics to 2021. Ram teamed with Venus Williams to win the silver medal in the mixed doubles event back in 2016.

"It's as global as it gets," said Ram. "I think they made the right move, unfortunately as it was."

Once he gets back on the tour, Ram doesn't see himself slowing down. He's still enjoying playing, is healthy and able to deal with the requirements of tennis.

"I'm definitely one of the fortunate ones," he said.

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