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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly to partly sunny. Tonight: Clouding up, with shower chances after midnight.





County to release more data as recent virus deaths rise

The REPORTER

In an interview conducted Monday by Hamilton County Communication Director Tammy Sander, Chris Walker of the county's health department said, "Earlier in the week we had some days with 9, 10, 12 new cases. Then towards the end of the week we jumped back up into the low to mid-twenties. A lot of that came from new data coming in, new testing being done, and labs getting caught up on reporting to the state. We may not get back to 9 to 10 new cases a day, but we should begin to see a taper off from that 20 to 25 and start working our way back down shortly."

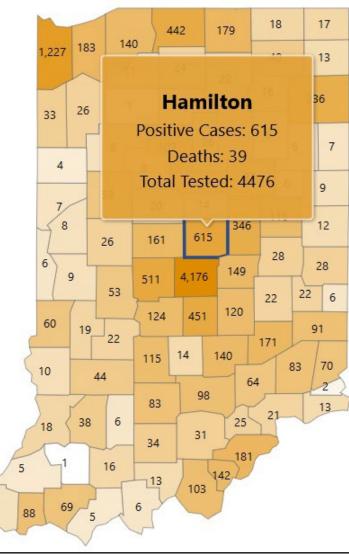
Last week, health department officials began releasing additional data on county-wide COVID-19 deaths and cases.

The initial release provided insight into COVID-19 deaths in the county sorted by zip code.

Then, on Friday, the health department released demographics of COVID-19 cases by gender and age.

Sander asked Walker why his department can now release new demographics on county-wide COVID-19 cases as compared to the past. Walker said, "We talked about before the need for HIPAA privacy, the protection of a person's protected health information, so now that we have a certain number of cases and we've exceeded a certain number of deaths, we thought it was prudent that we could safely put out that information without potentially singling out an individual or group of individuals that may expose that protected health information."

Walker continued, saying, "Our goal is and depending on our workload it out as much as we can." to update the information daily. When we get depends on how quickly we can get the data in, it is possible that it is incomplete, that sorted out and pushed back out information released by county ofthere might be some errors in the initial data, to the public. Our goal is to push it ficials since late last week.



Graphic provided by Indiana State Department of Health

There has been no additional

Senator Spartz issues request for special session

The REPORTER

Indiana State Senator Victoria Spartz (R-Noblesville) has issued a request

the participation of the Legislative branch of government, I have some concerns.

for a special session of the General Assembly: "I signed a letter to the Governor asking to

call a Special Session of the Indiana General Assembly if the provisions of Executive Order

Spartz

beyond May 1, 2020.

"As Indiana enters its seventh week living under Executive Orders issued pursuant to I.C. 10-14-3 without legislators."

"Given the length of time they have now been in effect, I believe that the Indiana Constitution and public interest require the Legislature to resume its Constitutional role in

find the right bal-20-22 should be extended ance between public health and economic health. The voice of Hoosiers in finding this balance is appropriately heard through their local

Fishers Farmers' Market goes online Saturday, May 2

The REPORTER

The Fishers Farmers Market, hosted by Fishers Parks and presented by IU Health Saxony, will kick off the 2020 season with an online market beginning Saturday, May 2, in response to COVID-19. During this challenging time, it is more important than ever that we invest in our local food system and support the small

businesses in our community.

Ranked one of the top farmers' markets in the region, the Fishers Farmers' Market showcases vendors from Central Indiana that offer fresh produce, baked goods, honey, specialty food items, meats, cheeses, coffee, plants and more. Juried to the strictest standards, the

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the process. Indiana must now

Carmel continues testing

Westfield projects \$85M in lost revenue due to virus restrictions

of city's frontline employees

The REPORTER

Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard says he understands the importance testing its frontline employees for the COVID-19 virus, which is why testing continues for the city's frontline employees including police, fire and

other city workers who interact directly with the public. Brain-

ard encour-

ages busi-Brainard ness owners and employers to do the same as COVID-19 testing becomes more available and Indiana prepares to end the statewide quarantine in May.

The City has worked with a local testing facility to have 680 employees and



Photo provided

As Carmel continues testing the city's frontline employees, all employers are urged to do the same in preparation for the end of quarantine.

results. Those who tested come back negative. positive were required to be quarantined for a two-week period. In order to return to

family members tested. Of work, the employee must those, 11 showed positive have two COVID-19 tests

Some who tested positive

By RICHARD ESSEX WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The closing of Grand Park until at least June 1 is expected to cost the city of Westfield and central Indiana \$85 million in lost revenue.

T h e signs are almost everywhere around the park, two words with a crushing

effect on the Central Indiana economy: Park Closed. Westfield Mayor Andy Cook is a champion for said. Grand Park.

"Its purpose in creating it was not to have an income from sports but to actually diversify our tax bases and million people coming into build a tax base, and in this See Testing ... Page 2 case, the tax base is tourism



Reporter file photo

City maintenance crews have assumed upkeep of the grounds and buildings for the time being.

This would have been the sixth full season for Grand Park and should have been a destination for 2.5 the area.

The park has become

and youth sports," Cook an economic engine for this slice of Hamilton County. The 400-acre park holds 26 baseball and softball diamonds, 31 soccer or multipurpose fields and has given life to dozens of hotels

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Heights senior Madeline Teal earns \$1K scholarship from Kiwanis Foundation

The REPORTER

Madeline Teal, a senior at Hamilton Heights High School, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Indiana Kiwanis Foundation. Teal, fourth in her graduating class of 165, is the daughter Hamilton Heights Key Club, of Tim and Deanna Teal of Atlanta.

Teal was selected from the applicants in the Sycamore South Division, which has nine clubs. Clubs that donated \$5 per member to the Foundation are eligible to ter of Business Professionals

applicants from 125 of the 162 clubs from Indiana. Teal was among 23 to be selected for a scholarship.

A four-year member of the Teal is also active in several other clubs including National Honor Society, Service with a Goal, Hamilton Heights Chap-

have members apply. There were 116 of America (BPA), and Yearbook Club. Key, Builders, and K-Kids Clubs.



In addition, she is a 10-year eight years. She plans to attend Butler University to study Translation (Spanish, Chinese, French).

The Kiwanis Club of Cicero sponsors Hamilton Heights

"Madeline is a well-rounded young member of 4-H, nine-year lady who is respected by teachers and member of her Church Choir peers," said Bill Trachtman, Hamilton and a part of the Behold the Heights High School Guidance Counsel-Lamb Ministries for the past or, after hearing the news of this award. "She is extremely generous, always open, and willing to help people in need."

"I appreciate the Indiana Kiwanis Foundation for giving me an opportunity to help the community throughout high school and for supporting me as I move on to college," noted Teal.



Cook

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and restaurants that have sprung out of the fields surrounding the park. They all depend on the traffic generated by the park.

A special taxing district set up to finance the park generated just enough revenue last year to meet operational costs. But this year without the crowds, it is considerably different.

most of the maintenance contracts for Grand Park have been canceled or postponed until further notice. City crews are doing the mowing and keeping up the appearance for the time being.

pristine, competition-type condition. We are in a maintenance mode only right Market will operate through now," said Cook.

to the Colts training facility. Cook said the team continues to make improvements to their facility.

Cook said he believes Cook told News 8 that youth sports will open up this year; however, with unemployment at a near-historic level, the question remains: Will people travel and spend money for youth sports like they have in the past?

from Page 1 MARKET

"And obviously we market offers fresh, local, the season. The market sea- Cars will park in numbered Fishers Parks is offering don't have to maintain them flavorful foods direct from son runs through September. spots upon arrival and mesfarmers and producers.

The Fishers Farmers' online ordering with home Grand Park is also home delivery or onsite pickup throughout May, and depending on the COVID-19 situation, will continue with the online model or revert to an in-person market at the up their items from Holland the virtual programs offered Nickel Plate District Amphitheater for the reminder of between 8 a.m. and noon. period of social distancing. gram for the latest news.

TESTING

did not have any symptoms on to donate his plasma to prior to testing and still have help others suffering from shown no signs of the virus. Others became hospitalized for long periods of time and said they felt sicker than they have ever been.

No employees are currently hospitalized. One of the firefighters that had been in the hospital is back at work and has even gone patient.

COVID-19.

available Sundays, begin-

ning at 9 a.m. on April 26,

through noon on Wednes-

days. A maximum of 400

delivery and 300 for onsite

pickup. Shoppers can pick

Park on Saturday mornings

The City is paying \$150 per test, which currently totals more than \$101,000. Th cost per test is far less than what would be spent on an extended stay at a hospital intensive care unit, which is estimated at \$100,000 per about taking responsibility to from home during the stay-

Online ordering will be sage Fishers Parks staff at (317) 430-7509 for pickup. Staff will bring out items and place in trunk to avoid contact with shoppers. Pickups orders will be accepted per must be done in cars - no peweek – 100 orders for home destrian or bicyclists will be permitted to pick up items.

"It's important to remem-

ber that our goal is to save

lives. We want to protect our

employees as well as their

families and those who come

in contact with our public

safety crews and others pro-

viding city services in the

community," said Brainard.

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daily, at-home activity suggestions on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, along with virtual group programs such as Mario Kart 8 eS**port Tournament** from 5 to 9 p.m. every Tuesday.

For more information and a list of vendors, visit the The market is just one of Fishers Parks' website, and be sure to follow the market by Fishers Parks during this on Facebook and Insta-

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sible. When we look back at this time 20 years from now, we want to be judged as being on the right side of a historically tragic pandemic."

Testing of frontline city employees will continue and will likely be a requirement of those rejoining the work-"This is not about cost. It is force after having worked protect as many lives as pos- at-home order.

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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

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



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)

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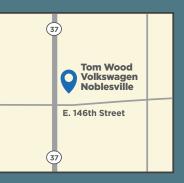


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\$600 federal unemployment insurance benefits have begun

The REPORTER

Hoosiers who are receiving regular unemployment insurance benefits have begun seeing the additional \$600 weekly payment from the Federal Pandemic Unemployment (FPUC) Compensation program, ahead of the announced date of April 20, according to the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD).

Though the additional funds began arriving in some unemployment insurance accounts on Friday, the vast majority of claimants will see payments being made this week. Vouchers must be filed each week in order to continue to receive benefits. It is recommended to file the vouchers on a Tuesday or after during the off the historic traffic now hitting the DWD's Uplink online system.

The CARES Act FPUC provides those individuals with the additional \$600 weekly benefit. FPUC is payable effective March 29 for any week of unemployment until July 31. DWD will pay this benefit retroactively to March 29. The \$600 FPUC benefit is taxable and is subject to child support withholding.

'We are pleased that we were able to start getting these payments to outof-work Hoosiers ahead of our goal of April 20," DWD Commissioner Fred Payne said. "This federal assistance will further help those individuals who are not working due to the COVID-19 pandemic."

To put these payments into perspective, this past weekend alone, Friday through Sunday as the FPUC payments were starting to be added, \$276 million in payments were made over the threeday period. In all of 2019, \$230 million was paid out through the Indiana unemployment insurance assistance program.

Getting Started 21 Days Reminder

It typically takes up to 21 days for first-time claims to be paid if there are no issues on the claim. A claimant can view their Uplink Claimant Homepage to check for issues on their claim. If there is an issue, a DWD Claims Investigator will be assigned to analyze the claim. DWD is advising claimants with issues on their claims to not contact the call center to check on the status of their claims, as that only adds to the already large volume of calls the center is experiencing.

Update on Self-**Employed** Assistance Program – PUA

Additionally, the week, taking the high stress CARES Act Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) creates a temporary federal unemployment insurance program for individuals not otherwise eligible for UI benefits, including the self-employed, independent contractors, gig economy workers, those seeking part-time employment, and individuals lacking sufficient work history but who would be able to work and looking for work were it not through Saturday for the opdue to COVID-19.

PUA is not payable to individuals who have the ability to telework with pay or who are receiving paid sick leave or other paid leave benefits.

gram requires an entire new system to be designed and built from the ground up. DWD is integrating the new system into Uplink so that limit user level at any givthese benefits can be provided as quickly and efficiently as possible to impacted Hoosiers. PUA applications will be available in Uplink on April 24 to those who have already applied for and been denied regular UI cies around the country are benefits. PUA applications reporting crashes to their will be available to others as unemployment systems due soon as they apply for and to the unprecedented deare denied regular UI. DWD mands, these preventative

PUA payments in May.

What is PEUC? 13 Additional Weeks

In addition to the FPUC and FPUA programs, the CARES Act also provides the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, which is an additional 13 weeks of unemployment insurance benefits once benefits are exhausted for traditional claimants. This program is not yet available. Once available, eligible claimants will access weekly vouchers through the Uplink system.

Best day to apply?

The claims week runs from Sunday through Saturday. Most claimants file their initial claims and weekly vouchers on Sunday, followed closely by Monday. Claims can be filed any day of the week, and those filing on Tuesday or after will have a faster. less congested experience filing than those who file on Sunday or Monday. The extreme high volume the beginning of each week can result in maximum capacity and speed issues. It is recommended to file mid-week timal filing experience.

DWD's current Uplink online system launched in 2010 and has been redesigned over the years to withstand the unprecedented volume presented by the The new federal pro- current demand, and has met the challenge of the record amount of filings. Certain caps on the system have been put into place to en time. When that peak is reached, safeguards trigger a notice instructing the user visiting the site to try again later, which can be same day, or the next. As several state unemployment agen-

will be able to begin making measures have been put in place to help protect the integrity of the Uplink system and to allow the process from successful filing to payment to continue without interruption.

Since Gov. Holcomb directed all bars and restaurants to close on March 16, more than 450,000 Hoosiers have successfully filed for unemployment. Further, roughly 432,000 unemployment insurance claims have been paid for the twoweek period of April 1-14, and that number continues to rise, and will do so at a greater pace with the addition of the CARES Act additional benefits.

A record 22 million Americans have filed for unemployment benefits in the four weeks through April 11. With so many individuals across the country out of work, states are seeing an increase in attempts to defraud their unemployment systems.

Fraud Warning

Anyone purposely or intentionally providing false information, misrepresenting the truth, or failing to provide full information in making a selection or completing this claim for benefits is committing fraud. If anyone is found to have committed fraud, they will be ineligible for any benefits, and DWD will institute collections proceedings against them to recover any benefits obtained through fraud. They also may be subject to federal and state criminal prosecution.

New Videos Released

DWD has released a new set of simple how-to videos to assist the user experience for claimants. The new video collection can be found at **on.in.gov/uivids**.

The most up-to-date information on the new UI programs can be found at unemployment.IN.gov.



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isn't easy, particularly when it comes to mathematics, a subject where many students benefit from classroom learning and individualized attention from their teacher.

schools and universities for the foreseeable future, susvery important, as research has shown that academic gains can quickly be lost without practice -- on average, students lose approximately 2.6 months of learning in math over a typical summer, according to the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

During the COVID-19 crisis, consider access- and graphic calculators, in- a successful return to the ing the following free dis- cluding Casio's PRIZM fx- classroom.

The transition from Casio America, Inc., which ported in Windows and Mac in-person to online learning are designed to support educators, parents and students K-12 and beyond:

graphing, geometry, sta- levels kindergarten through tistics and more can be college can help students accessed at ClassPad.net, practice their math skills With closures affecting an all-in-one web-based platform with an interactive menu that enables stutaining one's math skills is dents and teachers to draw sources, as well as online geometry figures freehand and input calculations as they would on real scratch paper. Users can also plot data points and add text labels, expressions and pictures to graphs or geometry diagrams.

tor software recreating the so that when schools refunctionality of scientific open, students can enjoy

tance-learning tools from CG50 and fx-CG500, is supoperating systems.

• Downloadable math activities created by teach-• Tools for calculation, ers for students in grade and learn new techniques for their continuing education.

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Formal class may not currently be in session, but that doesn't mean the learning needs to be put on hold. Leveraging available resources can help students • Emulator calcula- maintain their math skills

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Carmel thief makes two stops on his pandemic supply run



On April 13, the suspect pictured stole several bottles of alcohol from a Walgreens. The suspect then stole a carton of cigarettes from a Circle K gas station. The suspect left the locations in a gold Ford Taurus with Indiana license plate L062806. The Carmel Police Department is requesting assistance from the public with the identification of the suspect.



A message about our heroes in the time of COVID-19

safe

I would personally like to take time to honor and thank all the men and women who serve as law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMTs, Hamilton County Health Depart-

professionals. pantries throughout Hamilton County, teachers and school early intervention advocates, church staffs and

Letter to the Editor



STEVE NATION County Council Candida

ment professionals, doc- this virus. These individu- roes, but we have doomed tors and nurses, hospital als have gone beyond the them and our communities township call of duty and have done a to again endure the same trustees, those individu- wonderful job to improvise, struggles. We need to talk ganizations and citizens of als working at the various adapt and overcome the dev- with them to ask what they our great county to protect astating effects of this virus. administrations, to not only honoring these equipment was needed, individuals now, but also what training was needed, honoring them after this cri- what procedures or process-

and town gov- learned after all my years of or changed, and what partservice that after any crisis that if we want to truly honor our heroes, we must take time to talk and listen to the men and women who have borne the heat of the battle and learn from them.

If we don't commit to modern this process, not only have times to combat we not honored our hefelt went right and what

state, county, city sis begins to lessen. I have es should be maintained nerships and collaborations should be strengthened or formed among private and public organizations.

> It is our duty and responsibility to always be prepared. We need to continue to protect our heroes so we can keep them, and our communities safe. I am committed to work with our Hamilton County Commissioners and Councilors, or-

Letter to the Editor-Shaffer wants a plan

Dear Editor:

As the lockdown continues, the county and its municipalities see lower and lower tax revenues but make no announcements about their cut-backs.

Elected and appointed pooh-bahs are quick to tell us to stay home, cut back, be quiet and obey. Meanwhile, it is clear gasoline taxes, sales taxes and a host of fees and charges and other revenue sources stagnate.

Carmel furloughed 471 parks and recreation folks. That's a start. But what sacred cows will be cut? No word. No plan. No leadership.

Bill Shaffer Carmel

Letter to the Editor —

Life on the pandemic frontlines

Dear Editor:

There's a unique perspective of the coronavirus pandemic that is often overlooked: The health and safety of first responders who bring the patients into the hospitals. Like our brave nurses and doctors, firefighters and EMS responders' brave unsafe conditions to save the lives of others.

Those who respond to 9-1-1 emergencies, like me, are ever ready. It's in our DNA. We understand our job's expectations, often times in matters of life and death, and understand there are no timeouts, no holidays, and of course, no shutdowns.

However, there's a different side to us once we clock out: Our actual lives. My wife and I have two young daughters, and I currently have parents in their 60s, one of which has COPD and both have come from a life's worth of public service (father, 28-year veteran firefighter; mother 40-year health care provider). So while I have been taught to never fear the unexpected at work, we have not been ready for the side effects this pandemic would have on our personal lives – and our own fight to protect the safety of our families we love most.

That's why this extra burden hangs over our heads. We take every precaution possible, but I'll tell you, we have consistently lacked adequate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) for most of this pandemic. We have often found ourselves going more than a month reusing the same N95 masks we were handed in mid-March. Some of my coworkers contracted the virus, placing another burden on healthy staff to step up and work overtime. I have frequently been one of those firefighters stepping up to the challenge while still remaining concerned that I may possibly put my family at risk.

This is a fact: Fire and EMS departments across Indiana should have ample equipment available for its workforce. We are fighting to protect Hoosiers' lives, and we deserve to be protected too. But that has not happened, and this negligence must be corrected for the future.

Moving forward, the state must ensure all hospitals and first responders have a reserve of equipment on hand, like adequate PPE, at all times. That way, first responders bringing patients into the hospitals would have the same level of protection and readily available replacements when necessary. Also, uniformed testing must be universally available for all first responders, a policy where I believe the state has failed us from the onset of this pandemic. Our state's leaders were not forward-thinking during this health crisis, and their bare minimum response now placed a huge burden on families of doctors, nurses and first responders like mine. Hoosiers deserve political leaders who truly understand the fundamentals of public service, not just the toplines. My experience as a firefighter and commitment to the public is what I'll bring to the Indiana State Senate.

We must be committed was most challenging, what

our community.

Steve Nation is a Republican candidate for an At Large seat on the Hamilton County Council.

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Pendleton reader asks you to vote Susan Byer for County Treasurer

Dear Readers,

I would like to ask the residents of Hamilton County to vote for Susan Byer for Hamilton County Treasurer in the upcoming election on June 2. As a 20-year employee of the Treasurer's Office, I am putting my hardworking people I know. Susan support behind Susan Byer.

the position of Hamilton County Treasurer. I have worked with Susan in the Treasurer's Office for over 13 years, and during that time, she has

has always exemplified outstanding customer service to the citizens of Hamilton County.

Susan is one of the most honest, Byer is not a career politician, but Susan is more than qualified for is someone who will commit fully to her work every day and give 110 percent. This is the kind of person I want to work for.

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showed great skill in handling public spect and that is the kind of leaderfunds that came into our office and ship we need in the Hamilton County Treasurer's Office.

> As a current – unless I'm fired for this letter – and longtime employee of the Hamilton County Treasurer's Office, I am asking you to please vote for Republican candidate Susan Byer for Hamilton County Treasurer on June 2.

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John Andrew (Drew) Johnson February 25, 1964 – April 20, 2020

John Andrew (Drew) Johnson, 56, passed away on Tuesday, April 20, 2020 in Indianapolis. He was born on February 25, 1964 in Louisville, Ky., to



David M. Johnson Sr. and Lyda Christine (Muth) Johnson.
John graduated from Carmel High School and held Bachelor and Masters degrees in music from Indiana University in Bloomington and a doctorate in music from Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
John's academic focus was on the life of George Gershwin and he was a research scholar at the U.S. Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. He later became a professor at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y., before returning home to Indiana to be close to family.

John is survived by his daughter, Vivian Johnson; his mother, Christine Johnson; and brother, David M. Johnson, Jr. He was preceded in death by his father, David Johnson Sr.; and brother, Dan Johnson.

Private family services will be held. John's family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes with his care.

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Mary Lou Thatcher June 17, 1927 – April 12, 2020

Mary Lou Thatcher, 92, Westfield, passed away Sunday, April 12, 2020. She was born June 17, 1927 in Sheridan, daughter of George and Mamie Mae



(Robison) Staley. Mary Lou was born and raised in Sheridan and graduated Sheridan High School in 1945.

In addition to her parents, Mary Lou was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 29 years, Avery Thatcher, Jr., and brother, Donald Staley.

Survivors include her children, Jeffrey (Barbara French) Thatcher, John (Paula) Thatcher, daughter, Georganna (Jay) Morin and James (Terry) Thatcher; nine grandchildren, Avery (Lisa) Thatcher

III, Mika (Charlotte) Thatcher, Erik Thatcher, Gregory Morin, Patrick Morin, Christopher Morin, Austin Thatcher, Elizabeth (Christopher) Schoenfelder and Carolyn (Simon Levy) Thatcher; and three great-grandsons, Linden Thatcher, Beckett Thatcher and Leo Thatcher.

A private family service was held in Bussell Family Funerals, followed by a private committal service in Summit Lawn Cemetery.

Please visit **bussellfamilyfunerals.com** to read Mary Lou's complete obituary. Arrangements entrusted to Bussell Family Funerals, Westfield-Carmel.

Jane (Hoppes) Beaver May 28, 1942 – April 17, 2020

Jane (Hoppes) Beaver, 77, Noblesville, passed away peacefully April 17, 2020 at her



winter home in Bonita Springs, Fla. She was born May 28, 1942 in Anderson to Harry and Jane Hoppes.

Jane is survived by her husband of 57 years, Allyn Beaver. Additional survivors include her four sons, Jeff (Sheila) Beaver, Jimmy (Emily) Beaver, Chris (Margi) Beaver, all of Noblesville, and Rob (Shari) Beaver, Anderson. Also surviving her are 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Jane was preceded in death by her brothers, Bob and Jerry Hoppes.

Jane was a member of Noblesville First Christian Church and was also part of the Eastern Star, where she earned her 50-year award. She was in the Bowling Hall of Fame and enjoyed golf and playing bridge with friends. Jane was a huge fan of attending sporting events and other activities her grandchildren were involved in. She was an avid reader and loved crossword puzzles. Most of all, Jane loved her family and friends fiercely. She will be remembered as strong, fearless, bold and beautiful.

In complying with public health restrictions due to the coronavirus, the family has selected to have a celebration of life at a later date. Jane's family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes with her care.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Carolyn Rae Mallery August 22, 1944 – April 19, 2020

Carolyn Rae Mallery, 75, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, April 19, 2020 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on August 22, 1944 to Clyde and Mary (Swift) Bowyer in Charlestown, Ind.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee. Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them. Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what is the cause wherefore ye are come? And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee. Then called he them in, and lodged them. And on the morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

Acts 10:19-23 (KJV)

Gary Lee Parkos July 12, 1948 – April 15, 2020

Gary Lee Parkos, 71, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at Riv-

erwalk Village with his wife by his side. He was born on July 12, 1948 to the late Charles and Vivian (Bowers) Parkos in Dodgeville, Wis. Gary graduated from MATC in Madison, Wis., in 1972 with

Gary graduated from MATC in Madison, Wis., in 1972 with an Associate Degree in Business Administration-Accounting. He worked in Restaurant Management for 40-plus years. Gary owned several of his own restaurants in the 1970s. He retired in 2013 from King Systems. Gary was humble, kind, honest and hilarious. He enjoyed traveling with his wife and cooking for everyone. Gary was known for his Jambalaya and Chili. He enjoyed watching sports and

was an avid fan of the Indianapolis Colts. Gary would always look for an adventure.

Gary will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 25 years, Jenny; and his daughters, Jen (Jeff) Danesis and Kaylee Parkos. Gary will also be fondly remembered by his two grandchildren, Jonah and Evie; his brothers and sisters, Patty Johnston, Bert Parkos, Shirley (Keith) Ayer, Trudy (Emerson) Gard, Roger (Nancy) Parkos and Linda (Gilbert) Bloom; his nephews and nieces in Noblesville, Brian (Toni) Ayer, Cheryl (Steven) Morrow, Tim Ayer and Allison (Dave) Moss; many nephews and nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces; as well as extended family and friends.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Ronnie; his sister, Nancy; his brother-in-law, John; his sister-in-law, Chuckie; and his brother-in-law, Bracken.

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

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Carolyn was a 1962 graduate of Alexandria High School. She worked for Firestone Industrial Products from 1973 to 2003 and then owned Nana's Creation seamstress shop in Logan Village. Carolyn loved sewing, especially American Girl doll clothes. She loved her family and friends very much.

Carolyn is survived by her sons, Jon (Aline) Lightfoot, Nashua, N.H., and Bill (Tammy) Lightfoot, Fishers; step-children, Valerie (Mike) Stevens, Arcadia, Curt (Pam) Mallery, Noblesville, and Cyn-

thia (Butch) Lockhart, Mooresville; brothers, James (Marilyn) Bowyer, Alexandria, and Steve Butler, Alexandria; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Carolyn was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Mallery; brother, Clyde Bowyer; and daughter-in-law, Mikki Lightfoot.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

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Kenneth L. "Pete" Partlow May 24, 1924 – April 9, 2020

Kenneth L. "Pete" Partlow, 95, of the south side of Ekin, went to be with Jesus on



April 9, 2020. Born May 24, 1924 in Tipton County, he was the son of the late Vern F. and Opal Gladis (Henderson) Partlow.

He was a 1943 graduate of Sheridan High School. After graduation, Pete proudly served his country during WW II as a soldier with the United States Army. He was honorably discharged on December 11, 1946.

While Pete was growing up, he helped on the family farm, and in between his chores and responsibilities found time to play high school basketball for the Blackhawks. After returning from the service, Pete entered the work-

force and spent many of those working years with Chrysler. On June 7, 1950, Pete married the love of his life, Wilma J. "Chick" (Chappell) Partlow. They were two peas in a pod who loved

each other very much. Chick and Pete were a joy to be around, and laughter filled the room whenever they visited with friends. Many mistakenly believed that Pete was the Deputy Mayor of Ekin, when in fact he was the Sheriff. This was a position he held due to his close association to the "Mayor" of Ekin – his wife, Chick. Pete and Chick loved being around people, and in turn, people loved being around them. Pete had many hobbies and especially enjoyed hunting and pitching horseshoes, but traveling

around the country with their son Jeff is what the couple enjoyed the most. Pete is survived by his son, Jeff Partlow, Ekin; granddaughter, Jessica Cooper; great-grandsons, Isaiah and Mikey Cooper; and sisters, Rebecca Dell and Barbara Savage ester), both of Sheridan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Charles Partlow; sister, Marjorie Law; brother-in-law, Donel R. Law; and brother-in-law, Charles Dell.

Through the recommendation of our public health officials with regards to public health and safety, private family services will be held at this time.

Pete and Chick will be laid to rest at Boxley Cemetery located in Boxley, Ind. Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com



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Wilma I. "Chick" Partlow March 18, 1928 – April 13, 2020

Wilma J. "Chick" Partlow, 92, of the south side of Ekin, went to be with Jesus on



April 13, 2020. Chick was born on March 18, 1928 in Indianapolis. She was the daughter of the late Harry and Sina Chappell. She was a cheerleader at Fortville High School, graduating with the Class of 1946.

During her younger years, Chick helped her parents run the family business, Chappell's Restaurant. The restaurant was a Fortville institution serving short orders and full meals, but their 10 percent butterfat ice cream was what really drew a crowd. Considered by most of

their customers as a food item, not a delicacy, it was always the star attraction of the menu.

On June 7, 1950, Chick married the love of her life, Kenneth "Pete" Partlow. If ever two people were meant to find each other in life, it was Chick and Pete. Chick passed away at their home in Ekin, just four days after Pete. The couple had a wonderful sense of humor, and anyone who knew them, knew that wherever they went, laughter was never too far behind. Chick was considered the Mayor of Ekin and would always play along whenever someone would refer to her as "Your Honor." The Mayor was never hard to spot when she was out and about - you just had to look for the sedan with the license plate EKIN 1. Whenever Pete was asked if being married to Chick made him Deputy Mayor, Pete would respond, "No. I'm the Sheriff, but I think I only got the job because I'm married to the Mayor." That was usually followed by Chick shaking her head in disbelief and everybody within earshot laughing. Chick and Pete loved being around people, and in turn, people loved being around them. Chick was a social butterfly who enjoyed going off with her girlfriends on different trips and cruises but traveling around the country with their son Jeff is what she and Pete enjoyed the most. Pete may have been the love of Chick's life, but Elvis was a close second.

Chick is survived by her son, Jeff Partlow, Ekin; granddaughter, Jessica Cooper; great-grandsons, Isaiah and Mikey Cooper; brother, Jerry Chappell; and sister, Jane Mayhew.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and by her siblings, Russell, Margie, Pauline, Betty Jean, Irene, Ronnie, Larry, Paul, Dale, Vivian and Dick.

Through the recommendation of our public health officials with regards to public health and safety, private family services will be held at this time.

Chick and Pete will be laid to rest at Boxley Cemetery located in Boxley, Ind. Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

Madeliene Kaye Gwin May 2, 1940 – April 10, 2020

Madeliene Kaye Gwin, 79, passed away at her home in Sheridan on Friday, April



10, 2020. Born May 2, 1940 in Wayne County, Ind., she was the daughter of the late Denver and Hermeonia "Beanie" (Winters) Cohee. She grew up in New Paris, Ohio, and graduated from Jefferson High School with the Class of 1958.

Madeliene had a zest for life and a deep love for her family. In her free time, she played golf and liked to putter around in her yard tending to her flowers. She also enjoyed volunteering at the Open Arms Food Pantry in Sheridan. Her kind and giving spirit helped brighten the lives of the residents. She never missed an opportunity to play Euchre with friends. During her working years, after the kids were grown, she worked as a bookkeeper for Kmart.

Trying to slow Madeliene down was never an easy task. When it came to her family, especially the grandkids, it was full speed ahead. Whatever her grandchildren were involved in always took top priority.

Madeliene is survived by her daughter, Kimberly Kae Sheehan (Bob), Lexington, Ky.; son, David Ross Gwin (Pamela), Sheridan; six grandchildren, Shawn, Jourdan, Jake, Abby, Drew and Tyler; four great-grandchildren; sister, Barbara "Bobbie" Lipps, New Paris, Ohio; sister-in-law, Linda Cohee, New Paris, Ohio; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Denver "Denny" Cohee; brotherin-law, Vic Lipps; and by her loving husband, David Lee Gwin, in June of 2001. She and David were married on October 31, 1959.

A celebration of Madeliene's life is being planned for a later date.

April is Sexual Assault

Memorial contributions may be presented to the Epilepsy Foundation, 8301 Professional Place West, Suite 230, Landover MD, 20785

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan. Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com



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Countywide

Prevail providing services Westfield Lions Club postpones despite temporary closure

To Our Community,

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The REPORTER

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PrimeLife temporarily closes doors

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Westfield

Poker for Sight tournament

The REPORTER

The Westfield Lions Poker for Sight Texas Hold Sight tournaments are the Poker for Sight go to lions-'Em Poker tournament, originally scheduled for April 17 and 18, will be postponed vital part of the club's philan- on the Westfield Lions Club until Friday and Saturday, thropic endeavors every year. go to westfieldlions.org.

June 12 and 13. largest fund raisers for the Westfield group. They are a

For more information The Lions Poker for or to register for Lions poker.org.

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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 itory, and in-person appointments by re-Oak Ridge branch in Westfield will remain fully staffed and able to assist customers

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Carmel

Palladium concerts rescheduled

The REPORTER

The Center for the Performing Arts has resched-

COVID-19.

Ticket holders with uled four Center Presents questions can contact Paconcerts that had been tron Services at Tickets@ postponed in response to TheCenterPresents.org.

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

Dear Patrons:

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Click here to make a carmelplayers.org.

Carmel closes Monon Community Center

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

Noblesville

Community First Bank limits lobby traffic, remains open for business

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.

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Cicero

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. has been canceled...

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The Cicero Board of Zoning Appeals meeting originally scheduled for April 23, 2020,

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From Noblesville to Vincennes to Flagler . . .

Hunter Ingle takes his own route to success in college

By RICHIE HALL

Hunter Ingle took his own college route, and it wound up working out pretty well for him.

The Noblesville graduate and cross country/track runner started at Vincennes University, and left with an associate's degree. Ingle headed south to Flagler College, located in St. Augustine, Fla., where he ran on the cross country and indoor track and field teams.

Ingle's path started at Vincennes, a junior college, although it wasn't something he relished at first.

"I remember not really being proud of what I was doing after high school, especially coming from Hamilton County," said Ingle. After all, this area is wellknown for producing state champions and All-State runners, many of whom go to Division I schools.

"You tell people, it's not a very proud thing to state," said Ingle. "It's something you don't brag about."

But things worked out, both academically and athletically. He got good grades and completed an associate's degree in Advanced Manufacturing, "which was cool because I had something," he said. Now, Ingle is proud he went to Vincennes, because had he not gone that way, he would've never wound up at Flagler.

"I'm really happy I didn't settle," said Ingle.

Once it was time to start looking at his next steps, Ingle chose Flagler because it seemed like a good fit to him. It was also in an area that he was familiar with: Ingle's grandparents lived in St. Augustine, which is about a half-hour south of Jacksonville, right on the Atlan-



resulted in another athlete attending the school: Marcus Graham, a standout at Perry Central High School, also went the junior college route, running at Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa, Iowa.

After two good years at Indian Hills, Graham followed Ingle down to Flagler. He ran in seven races, including a fifthplace finish at the NCAA Division II regional, earning him a spot at the national championship in Sacramento, Calif.

"This previous year was his first year down here at Flagler," said Ingle. "You definitely have those strong bonds like any team. He had some really good D-I offers, but just because we had such a strong bond, he decided to follow me down here and trust in the coaches down here. We painted a pretty good picture on his visit."

Ingle noted that Graham came from a smaller school, and sometimes smalltown runners don't like to go to a big school environment. Graham had offers at Texas Tech and Eastern Colorado before heading to Flagler.

"It just kind of depends on how you fit," said Ingle.

In addition to cross country, Ingle also competed in a handful of indoor meets at Flagler. His highest finishes have come in relays; during his junior year, Ingle he joined the Saints' 4x400 relay team for a fifth-place finish at the Gene Anderson Invitational at the University of North Carolina, then helped Flagler's 4x400 team to take seventh at the JDL College Kickoff at Winston-Salem, N.C.

In his senior season, Ingle placed 13th in the mile run at the Mondo College Invitational, then was part of the

tic Ocean coast.

Ingle's grandparents owned a house and condominium at the time, so his family would stay with them whenever they came on vacation. Ingle noticed that the area around St. Augustine - which was founded in 1565, making it the oldest city in the contiguous United States – has grown tremendously since Ingle was a kid.

"We have our quiet time every now and then," said Ingle. "There's a lot of people down here. Everyone learns about a really cool area, it makes all the magazines, everyone hardly remembers what it looked like before."

Something people associate with Florida, be it the northern, southern or inland part of the state, is humidity. High temperatures in St. Augustine average around 90 degrees during July, and the 80s linger as an average high into October. Ingle had to get used to that on a full-time basis once he arrived in Florida two-thirds of the way during the summer between his sophomore and junior years.

"You definitely feel the difference, especially at first," said Ingle. "The humidity makes it so hard to breathe. Definitely that first summer was a challenge and a lot to adjust to."

Photo provided

Hunter Ingle took his own route during his college career, and it has worked out for him. Ingle spent two years at Vincennes University, where he earned an associate's degree, and is now finding success academically and athletically at Flagler College.

But after a full year, Ingle got used to the weather. He said working out in the Florida weather gives one an advantage, especially if he's racing against a team from the Midwest or the North. If those teams were to race in a southern climate, "it definitely gives you an edge, like kids that train at altitude," he said. "A lot runners call humidity the poor man's altitude. It's definitely something you have to adapt to."

Once at Flagler, Ingle delivered solid results for the cross country team. He started with a 30th-place finish at the 2018 Border Clash XC meet, which took place at nearby Valdosta State University, just over the border in Georgia. The Saints finished second out of nine teams at that meet.

The Border Clash XC Meet was unusual in that it was a 7,250-meter race. The next four races that Ingle competed in were all the more typical 8,000-me-

ter (8K races). Ingle ran his career-best 8K time at the Royals Challenge, hosted by Queens College in Charlotte, N.C., clocking in at 26:42.0. He finished the 2018 season at the Peach Belt Conference championships, placing 54th. The Saints finished third as a team.

In his senior season, Ingle ran in two races, despite dealing with a stress fracture. He ran for the second time at the Peach Belt Conference championship, this time in Lumberton, N.C. Ingle placed 30th, helping the Flagler to a second-place finish. The Saints then competed at the NCAA Division II Southeastern Regional in Wingate, N.C., finishing in fourth. In the 10K race, Ingle placed 121st in a time of 36:56.0.

Ingle said he didn't notice many differences between junior college and a four-year school, "especially since I went Division II and I went to a smaller school." His decision to attend Flagler fifth-place 4x400 relay team at the JDL College Team Challenge; both meets were also at Winston-Salem.

Ingle is majoring in business, and said he realized "I wanted to something more along the lines of the business world," and will be attending Flagler for a fifth year to finish up his degree.

"I decided to opt for the fifth year, especially since I saved so much money going to junior college," he said.

And why not, since Ingle's route wound up being the best route possible for him.

"Looking back on it, I chose Flagler, just because if I did walk on to a D-I school, I wouldn't have been able to stay on the team," he said. Instead, he has a strong bond with his teammates, is happy with the school itself, the academics, the location, and still be able to help out and be a volunteer assistant – "happiness here that I might not have been able to get at other schools," said Ingle.





Sports

Fans can learn more about rich history of IMS through new online digital archive

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway has opened its deep, 111-year archive for race fans around the world to access, enjoy and use as a tool to learn about the extensive heritage of the Racing Capital of the World.

The IMS Digital Archive takes fans on a journey through the racetrack's fabled history by highlighting some of its biggest moments in a chronological timeline. IMS Historian Donald Davidson is featured and shares his unparalleled knowledge by telling stories about the Speedway orally and in written form.

Each Tuesday for the next 13 weeks, IMS will release a new decade in chronological order. Fans are encouraged to check IMS.com/DigitalArchive weekly as more content will be unlocked and great stories will be told. The rich, multimedia content is optimized for enjoyment on mobile devices, such as phones and tablets, and browsers.

"The Indianapolis Motor Speedway has hosted some of the greatest champions, pioneers and innovators in auto racing, motorcycle racing and aviation competition history," IMS President J. Douglas Boles said. "It's important that as a 5-mile road course-oval hybrid to we honor our history and show our race fans where we come from as we grow into the next generation as a modern racing facility. As a passionate fan of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway myself, I



can't wait to learn new stories right alongside our amazing fans and see what this archive tells us next."

stories about the Speedway's most prominent and successful figures, additional written and visual content will provide race fans with detailed and entertaining information about the Brickyard and the



iconic people that have walked its hollowed grounds.

With IMS well into its second century, From the track's original dimensions it's impossible to highlight every moment of its rich history. However, the Digital Archive prominently features some of the most significant moments that have defined the facility, the Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge and the Big Machine Vodka 400 at the Brickyard.

The first portion of the timeline takes fans to the racetrack's origins in 1909 when IMS' four founding fathers, Carl Fisher, James Allison, Arthur Newby and Frank Wheeler, pooled their resources to build a testing ground for Indianapolis' growing automobile industry. This section also details the hot air balloon and motorcycle races and competitors that defined the first year at the track.



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