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The Carmel Health & Living facility has the most reported deaths due to COVID-19 in the county.

County identifies long-term care facilities with COVID-19 deaths

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Health Department has identified the names of long-term care facilities in Hamilton County that have reported COVID-19 deaths. Data are current as of Tuesday, April 27.
A total of 38 people living in long-term care facilities in the county have died of

COVID-19. According the health department, Carmel Health & Living has recorded the most Coronavirus deaths.

Noblesville

- Harbour Manor: 3
- Heritage Woods: 1

Westfield

- Maple Park: 1

Carmel

- Carmel Health & Living: 10
- The Stratford: 6
- Brookdale of Carmel: 3

Fishers

- Hamilton Trace: 7
- The Hearth at Windermere: 5
- Grand Brook Memory Care: 2

Brainard directs Carmel firefighters to visit businesses, provide health safety guidelines

The REPORTER

Under the direction of Mayor Jim Brainard, the Carmel Fire Department (CFD) is taking an aggressive and proactive approach to conduct on-site visits and provide helpful guidance to all essential businesses in Carmel seeking to keep their employees and customers safe from the spread of COVID-19. Among the businesses that have already been visited are grocery stores, pharmacies, dry cleaners and hardware stores.
During the visit, CFD personnel review the store's operating procedures to get an accurate picture of the steps being taken to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Among the procedures they are looking for:

- Are employees being tested for COVID-19?
- Are temperatures taken at the beginning and end of each day?



Brainard

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County creates Workforce Recovery Task Force

Industry experts meeting to help unemployed get back to work

The REPORTER

Hamilton County has created a Workforce Recovery Task Force. The Task Force held its first meeting Wednesday in an effort to jumpstart a recovery plan for Hamilton County businesses. The effort is being supported by the Hamilton County Economic Development Corporation (HCEDC).
"First and foremost, we need to identify how COVID-19 has impacted the county workforce and create a timeline for recovery," said County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt. "That starts by tapping

the best business minds and industry experts in our county to create measurable goals and objectives."
The task force will consist of the following business professionals: Bob DuBois, President and CEO of the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce; Jack Russell, Interim President of OneZone Commerce; Nick Verhoff, President of the Westfield Chamber of Commerce; County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt,



Heirbrandt

Councilor Amy Massillamany; Dan Clark, President of Ivy Tech Noblesville; Carol Sergi, Director of Workforce Strategy at HCEDC; Chuck Haberman, workforce consultant; Rob Kneberg, Executive Director of Hamilton County Workforce Innovation Network; Ed Miller, Work One; and Angela Acrey, VP of Human Resources at Helmer Scientific.
The task force will look at creating both short-term (three months) and long-

term (six to nine months) plans for reducing unemployment. It will also work to identify industries and companies that have additional workforce needs tied to COVID-19.
"The task force may also apply for grant dollars," says HCEDC Executive Director Carol Sergi. "Those dollars could be used to cover the costs of training programs, potential job fairs, and supplies to help businesses reopen."
The hope is that the county's 21st Century Talent Region can take over the task force's efforts by October 2020.

Third time the charm for historic property?

Will the third time be the charm for real estate developers interested in a prime tract of nearly 60 acres at Keystone Parkway and Smoky Row Road in Carmel?



FRED SWIFT
The County Line

Courtyards of Carmel is the latest proposed subdivision on the site. The developers from Dublin, Ohio, have a date with the Carmel Plan Commission on May 19 when they will ask for approval of a planned unit development (PUD).
Two previous proposals by Beezer Homes and Old Town Group, were abandoned by applicants for unspecified reasons. Access to the property

is currently limited to a narrow frontage on Smoky Row, and neighboring homeowners have voiced concerns about traffic congestion at the access point.
Also raising concerns is the planned density of the development. The new proposal seeks 169 homesites on the ground. Previous developers backed off the original number of homes, thus satisfying some concerns.
The current development plan calls for four other access points where traffic could enter and exit through neighboring subdivisions.
Also involved is the future of a historic

167-year-old brick house on the property. Within its walls is an even older log cabin from the 1830s. All three developers who have sought approvals say they would preserve the house, originally home to the William Wilkinson pioneer family.
Local historians, supported by Indiana Landmarks, Inc., have urged preservation and restoration of the structure and small acreage around it because of its architectural and historic significance.
The Courtyard of Carmel would be the fourth such Courtyards complex in central Indiana. Besides single-level homes on small lots, the addition would include a clubhouse and pool, and be designed for residents at least 55 years of age.

Protecting Noblesville's financial future

As we continue to manage the impact COVID-19 has had on our daily lives, we have all learned that this pandemic has caused more than a health crisis. It has caused a great disruption throughout our community and affected our local economy. Much like our friends and neighbors, the city has and continues to make necessary spending changes and modify fiscal management plans in light of our new circumstances.
Last month, we launched the Small Business Resilience Grant program which provided up to \$10,000 per grant to small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In all, the grants totaled \$250,000 and aided 46 local establishments. This grant is part of a larger strategic plan we have for deploying a portion of the city's Rainy Day Fund and cash reserves to assist needed populations and to support recovery efforts.
We are monitoring all the relevant economic factors to



CHRIS JENSEN
Noblesville Mayor

better understand the full impact of this crisis on revenue streams and recovery time. We are identifying and will be making strategic cuts to our departmental budgets, with a focus on eliminating or deferring planned expenditures that are no longer necessary or prudent from a cost benefit analysis in our new economic environment.
While we are reprioritizing capital improvement projects and initiatives, we will be moving forward with those projects deemed most impactful and necessary. Economic development projects will be more important than ever for the health and future of our local economy. For example, the Village at Federal will attract new residents and businesses to our city and help grow our tax base.
The city will implement a hiring freeze for all non-essential personnel until further notice. This change will not affect the services you have come to expect from the city.

We are actively pursuing all available federal and state reimbursement dollars and grant opportunities and will continue to do so as more opportunities become available.
We will also continue to engage with financial consultants, local and state fiscal officers, and community stakeholders to assess the situation and make additional necessary adjustments as we navigate through this new economic environment.
We cannot pursue policy priorities and make necessary investments in public safety, economic development, infrastructure, and related contexts without a strong financial management plan. The COVID-19 pandemic has made it even more vital for us to think strategically and take bold actions where justified.
The city's prudent fiscal management has put us in a strong financial position to address this pandemic head on – and like you, we will. We will continue to seek proactive and creative opportunities and to take prompt measures to protect Noblesville's financial future.



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- Are employees showing signs of sickness being sent home?
- Are masks being worn?
- Are employees and customers maintaining physical distancing?
- Are employees washing their hands?
- Are shopping carts and other surfaces kept clean and disinfected?

After seeking the advice of medical professionals to determine which procedures are most effective, CFD personnel is making a checklist of each business

visited. Then, CFD personnel make suggestions on improvements that can be implemented to better protect staff and customers in these essential businesses.


Mayor Brainard sees this as the first step of developing best practices for all businesses to adopt as the COVID-19 restrictions begin to gradually be lifted by the State of Indiana.

“As the fire department collects information, this will give the city a good blueprint for how to reopen in the coming weeks and months,” Brainard said.

“It’s very important that we protect our essential workforce now and learn how best to protect all workers as they return to their jobs and interact directly with customers again. We must make sure that we are making decisions based on what is the best and safest for the community as a whole.”

After the first round of visiting essential businesses, the CFD will develop a more comprehensive list of best practices so that it can be helpful to residents and businesses.

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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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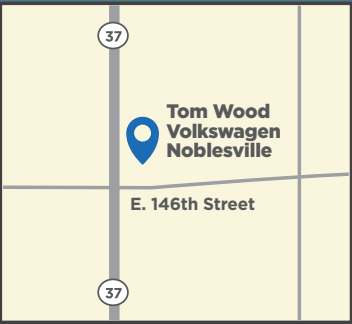


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Letter to the Editor

Virginia Green pleased with Lyneen Burrow's pledge to donate her salary

Dear Editor: I would like to explain something to everyone about what my good friend Lyneen Burrow is going to do once she is elected to the Hamilton County Council. She has made it very clear that she will donate her paychecks each month to a different county charity.

Our local County Council members are paid approximately \$34,000 per year. She believes that public service is an honor, not a job.

She knows that her take home pay can be used to help others. She will choose a county charity, such as Good Samaritan Network, Mama's Cupboard, Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank and others to benefit from her paycheck.

If elected, she will also limit herself to the amount of years spent in service to eight. Please vote for Lyneen Burrow on June 2.

Virginia Green
Noblesville

Letter to the Editor

Mayor Andy Cook supports John Ditslear for County Council

Dear Editor, When John Ditslear announced his campaign for County Council, I was overjoyed. As the "rookie mayor," as he called me back in 2008, John Ditslear was an invaluable mentor and resource for me in my first several years. Having a truly proven leader like John at that time was so important to me. For him to continue to offer his service and experience to our entire county is most desirable.

John led Noblesville by collaborating constantly with key community members across the county. Under his leadership, the city grew by 57 percent, and with the population growth came necessary city improvements.

John worked tire-

lessly with organizations like INDOT, residents, non-profits and other community-focused groups to accomplish substantial and critical initiatives. This same dedication and work ethic are crucial to our future success on the County Council. When it comes to dedicated leaders, you would be hard-pressed to find one better than John Ditslear.

Just like he did as Mayor of Noblesville, I firmly believe John Ditslear will make the same strides and progress as a member of the Hamilton County Council. John's proven leadership is exactly what we need.

To learn more, you can visit JohnDitslear.com and don't forget to vote on June 2!

Mayor Andy Cook
Westfield

Letter to the Editor

Shaffer: COVID-19 hasn't stopped Carmel's spending

Dear Editor: Virus or no virus, Carmel civic spenders remain diligent.

Monday, the city told the state Department of Local Government Finance that its total outstanding debt obligation increased \$206,380 over the weekend.

Carmel's debt thereby

increased \$25.7 million since the first of the year: \$25,683,162 to be precise.

While the mayor continues to argue debt and deficit critics engage in shallow analysis, \$25.7 million doesn't need a lot of deep thinking.

Virus or no virus.
Bill Shaffer
Carmel

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Hoosier Weather Daddy?



Carmel's own Don Farrell featured in first KAR Global Student program

The REPORTER

The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel offers this fresh batch of online arts, entertainment and cultural enrichment options.

Theater pro to share tips with students

Whether you spell it "theater" or "theatre," Don Farrell knows a bit about it after three decades as a professional singer, dancer, actor, director, choreographer and producer for Off-Broadway and Las Vegas productions and national and international tours. Closer to home, he is a co-founder and Artistic Director for the Center's resident Actors Theatre of Indiana.

On May 6, Farrell will be the featured artist for the first-ever virtual edition of KAR Front Seat, a program sponsored by KAR Global that invites students of the performing arts to talk with seasoned performers and production professionals about the factors that have shaped their careers. Rather than the usual preshow gathering in the Palladium, Farrell will meet with a select group of students through Zoom, and their conversation will be available worldwide via [Facebook Live](https://www.facebook.com/KARFrontSeat).

A few openings remain for high school and college students with interests in musical theater to participate. To apply, they can simply submit their name, grade level and current school to Outreach@TheCenterPresents.org, along with a question they would like to ask during the event.

Questions should be submitted by midnight Friday, May 1.

Everyone else can tune in at 2 p.m. May 6 for [KAR Front Seat](https://www.kar.org) with Don Farrell.

Show your true colors

At last, springtime is unveiling its multihued splendor, but you and your loved ones likely have countless other options in your Crayola box. The next rainy day might be a good time to crack open our new [Virtual Entertainment Coloring Book](https://www.kar.org), featuring magical, music-oriented scenes you can bring to life in every shade of the rainbow. And

remember, it's not just for kids — many adults enjoy coloring as a relaxing, meditative exercise.

Here's the first chapter for you to print out and enjoy at home, and there will be more in the coming weeks. You and your coloring crew are encouraged to share your finished works on social media and tag at [@CPAPresents](https://www.instagram.com/CPAPresents).

Bank gives volunteers their moment in the spotlight

The National Bank of Indianapolis Usher Corps is that army of friendly folks in white shirts who — among other contributions — welcome you, scan your tickets and guide you to your seats at performances on the Center's campus. Even while in-person events are on pause, the Center wants to take time to highlight these remarkable people, without whom the Center and the Great American Songbook Foundation could not operate. During the 2018-19 arts season, more than 300 volunteers devoted more than 17,500 hours to serving the community.

In the coming weeks, you can learn more about these dedicated individuals through a new feature called Usher Spotlight, brought to you by The National Bank of Indianapolis and available on the [Interviews & Features](https://www.kar.org) page of the Center's website.

This inaugural Usher Spotlight features volunteer Linda McGlothlin, a lifelong music fan who also takes a great interest in genealogy. Read about Linda [here](https://www.kar.org).

Thank you to The National Bank of Indianapolis and to all of the volunteers who serve the Center and Songbook Foundation!

Celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month in Perfect Harmony

Though the Songbook Foundation's Perfect Harmony program is unable to host its participating senior-living communities in person, the staff is still hard at work, in partnership with a board-certified music therapist, to create resource packets that help people of all ages keep music in their quarantine routines.

The latest packet is inspired by [Jazz Appreciation Month](https://www.kar.org), established by the Smithsonian National Museum to "recognize and celebrate the extraordinary heritage and history of jazz." As this year's JAM (get it?) celebrates the contributions of women in jazz, the [Perfect Harmony Jazz Take-Home Packet](https://www.kar.org) includes highlights on Ella Fitzgerald and Billie Holiday, song facts and lyrics, a movement activity and an accompanying [YouTube playlist](https://www.kar.org).

You'll find the new packet [here](https://www.kar.org), and you are encouraged to access the other music packets and activities by visiting thesongbook.org/take-home-ph. This page is updated regularly with new materials and resources.

Songbook

Foundation leader offers perspective

As a veteran performer, educator and arts administrator, Songbook Foundation Executive Director Chris Lewis has an interesting take on the current public health situation and its impact on the Foundation's mission and the arts and life in general. Despite the obvious challenges, Lewis strikes a hopeful tone in a [recent interview](https://www.kar.org) with longtime journalist and arts champion Tom Alvarez.

"I think this crisis has helped us find new ways to connect with each other," Lewis says. "It has been amazing to see the creativity in how people have responded to life in quarantine."

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Pet Food Saturday is back at CrossRoads, drive-thru style



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CrossRoads Church at Westfield will hold its Free Pet Food Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. this coming Saturday, May 2 at CrossRoads Church at Westfield, 19201 Grassy Branch Road, Westfield. This is for Hamilton County residents. The church is providing food for dogs and cats. This drive-thru format allows for safe distancing practices and everyone is asked that no one get out of their car. A prayer station will be provided. This event is part of an effort of CrossRoads Church at Westfield called “For Our Neighbor” in which church members and friends seek to get to know, enjoy, love, and serve their local neighbors. Check it out online at [ForOurNeighbor.Life](#).

Letter to the Editor— Local veteran lauds praise on County Vet Services Office

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to the Editor to clarify some things I read in another article about Veterans in Hamilton County having to travel to the Tipton County office to receive help.

There is currently nothing wrong with the Hamilton County Veteran Services Office. My dad and I are both Veterans and we had a scheduled appointment early last summer with the former CVSO, and at the time we thought it was a great appointment, but in the end, it turned out to be a lot of empty promises. We were told so many things from the woman, but she didn't end up doing anything when it was all said and done.

We ended up meeting with her again two months later and she explained to my dad and I that she had already submitted everything for us. We soon found out that she in fact didn't do anything she explained to my dad and I that she would do.

A couple of months later a new CVSO, Lisa Charles, was appointed to the office. She has been absolutely wonderful to my dad and me. Lisa and Robin have followed through on everything that they have stated to us.

We have the utmost respect for the office and would most definitely recommend any Veteran who is currently having issues to seek out the Hamilton County Veteran Service Office. I have gone to many different Veteran Service Offices around the state of Indiana and the one in Hamilton County is by far the best I have attended. Now that there has been a new CVSO appointed to the office, things have been running very smoothly to say the least.

If you are a Veteran and are having issues with your current services, I recommend you reach out to Lisa Charles in the Hamilton County Veterans Services Office.

Regards,
Brett McEwen
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Letter to the Editor— Mike Corbett says Charlie McMillan understands public service, asks you to support him for County Commissioner

Dear Editor:

“Career politician” ought to be an oxymoron but, unfortunately, it’s not.

I’m a firm believer that public office should be a temporary condition. It prevents people from getting too powerful and keeps fresh ideas flowing. With a few notable exceptions, lengthy political careers do not lead to creative solutions or enlightened thinking. That’s one reason I’m supporting Charlie McMillan for County Commissioner this year.

A lifelong resident of Noblesville and a local businessman, Charlie has deep roots in the community and an impressive record of working on behalf of the people. By serving on a county board he’s developed a knowledge of the workings of county government and established relationships needed to get things done. He has well-reasoned positions on the issues. Nothing flashy or radical, but solid and sensible positions on issues that matter and would be his responsibility if he’s elected.

The incumbent is a fine man and has served the county well, but enough is enough. I don’t think having the state’s longest serving commissioner is anything for Hamilton County to be proud of. Businesses learned long ago that you get the best performance out of CEOs when their terms are short. The average currently is about five years.

The governor and president can only serve for eight. Commissioners are the closest thing we have to a top executive in county government and none should be in office for 30+ years.

I’ve known Charlie for 10 years and found him to be honest, hardworking and approachable. He’s also a darn good mechanic. Check out Charlie McMillan at [charliemcmillanjr.com](#) and see if you don’t agree that it’s time for a change.

Mike Corbett
Noblesville

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Letter to the Editor— Luke Kenley says “Experience counts!” Vote Steve Dillinger for Commissioner

Dear Editor,

I encourage all voters to support Steve Dillinger for County Commissioner.

I have known Steve since our high school days at Noblesville High School, and am proud of Steve’s service to Hamilton County over the last 40 years. From his involvement with youth to his public service as an elected official, Steve has been instrumental in the growth of our county.


He has been and still is the constant leader to bring infrastructure improvement to the county, whether it be roads such as the massive improvement of 146th Street, the growth and development of Riverview Hospital to provide first class medical services by our county hospital, or the addition and improvement of our county park system for our recreational needs.

Experience counts! Steve has it and uses it to provide a level of leadership rarely seen in government. He not only makes the right decisions, but does so economically with an eye on costs, and with consideration to retaining the freedoms we cherish as a great nation.

Luke Kenley
Noblesville

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April 19th - 25th is National Crime Victims' Rights Week.



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

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

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

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Grace M. Haines

February 29, 1924 – April 28, 2020



Grace M. Haines, 96, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at Wellbrooke of Carmel. She was born on February 29, 1924 to Ralph and Marie (Ihnen) Floor in Wabash, Ind.

Grace married Herman Haines on November 4, 1945. She was a homemaker and also worked at Carmel Jr. High School as a baker and at Aero Drapery in Westfield. Grace was a member of Gray Friends Church and involved with the United Society of Friends Women. She also held a membership with Retired Indiana Public Employees Association. Grace enjoyed gardening, quilting and china painting.

She is survived by her son, Leonard (Betsy) Haines; daughter, Glenda (Charles) Ferguson; grandchildren, Greg (Shonda) Haines, Sherry Haines, Sarah (Tony) Howard and Katie (Ryan) Blastick; and great-grandchildren, Ryan and Emily Haines, Kayla and Keith Miller, Jack Bolden, Samantha Howard, and Tyler Blastick.

In addition to her parents, Grace was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Haines, in 1989; and her siblings, Carl Floor, Earl Floor, Richard Floor, Harold Floor, Ruth Rudo, Ralph Floor Jr. and Eugene Floor.

Private family services will be held and burial will be at Gray Friends Cemetery in Noblesville. A public celebration of life will be held at a later date. Grace's care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gray Friends Church, 4810 E. 146th St., Noblesville, IN 46062; or Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County, 395 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46060.

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Cecil Edward Giddings

May 17, 1936 – April 28, 2020



Cecil Edward Giddings, 83, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at River-view Health in Noblesville. He was born on May 17, 1936 to Cecil and Esther (Lease) Giddings in Noblesville.

Cecil proudly served in the United States Army National Guard. He was an avid bowler, and enjoyed anything outdoors, especially camping and fishing.

He is survived by his wife, Janet Giddings; son, Greg (Kelly) Giddings; grandchildren, Lilly and Lexi Giddings; son, Tom Giddings; sisters, Pat (Harry) Vandiver and Rosemary (Robert) Soulet.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Bobby Joe Giddings and Charles "Chuck" Giddings.

Private services will be held. Burial will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis. The Giddings Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Home with Cecil's care.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 5635 W. 96th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46278.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God. And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him, Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them.
Acts 11:1-3 (KJV)

Virtual Meetings

The Noblesville Council Roads Committee meeting will be held virtually using Microsoft Teams at 8 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020. Public comment will not be permitted. Anyone wishing to observe the meeting may call (812) 250-2251 and enter 548372498# when prompted.

The Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals will meet virtually using Microsoft Teams at 6 p.m. on Monday, May 4, 2020. Anyone wishing to observe or comment may access the meeting by calling (812) 250-2251 and entering 449826947#.

The Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals will meet virtually using Microsoft Teams at 6 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2020. Anyone wishing to observe or comment may access the meeting by calling (812) 250-2251 and entering 928086358#.

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Atlanta

Angels' Attic cancels Spring Garage Sale

The REPORTER

Angels' Attic announces the cancellation of its Spring Garage Sale, its largest fundraiser of the year, which had been scheduled for May 1 and 2 at Arcadia Christian Church.

Angels' Attic, 105 E. Main St., is currently operating as a drive-thru food pantry only during regular hours of 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The "free store" for donated goods is temporarily

closed, so it is requested that non-food donations be withheld until the store is able to reopen.

Financial contributions may be made to Angels' Attic, P.O. Box 375, Arcadia, IN, 46030.

Mr. Muffin's closes train layout display to public

Submitted

For the health and safety of our customers and friends, the layout at Mr. Muffin's Trains in Atlanta will be closed for now. The shop will remain open for shipping and pickups. We

are taking additional safety precautions, including curbside pickup.

We strongly recommend placing credit card orders via the [website](#); 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.

Westfield

Westfield Lions Club postpones Poker for Sight tournament

The REPORTER

The Westfield Lions Poker for Sight Texas Hold 'Em Poker tournament, originally scheduled for April 17 and 18, will be postponed until Friday and Saturday,

June 12 and 13.

The Lions Poker for Sight tournaments are the largest fund raisers for the Westfield group. They are a vital part of the club's philanthropic endeavors every year.

For more information or to register for Lions Poker for Sight go to lions-poker.org.

For more information on the Westfield Lions Club go to westfieldlions.org.

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 deposit, 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.

Countywide

Prevail providing services despite temporary closure

To Our Community,

Prevail staff have continued to provide limited staffing in the office, while meeting most of the needs of our clients by phone.

With the Governor's announcement requiring us all to stay home, we will be closing the office and asking all employees to work from home. If you

are in need of Prevail services, please call us! Our community is very important to us and we will continue to serve those who need us.

Our business line, 317-773-6942, will be available for voicemail messages that will be checked throughout the day (with an option to press 1 to be

forwarded to the crisis line) and our crisis line, 317-776-3472, will be answered live during this time.

We look forward to continuing to support those who need our services in new and creative ways!

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For more information, visit prevailinc.org.

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.

The Central Indiana Council on Aging

(CICOA) will deliver lunches to those in need. PrimeLife Enrichment members are encouraged to contact CICOA for additional information.

Visit primelifenrichment.org for more information.

County Democrats cancel upcoming meetings

The Hamilton County Democratic Party has canceled its May and June meetings.

Fishers

Fishers High School Alumni Banquet canceled

The annual Alumni Banquet of the original Fishers High School has been canceled.

Spark!Fishers 2020 canceled

The 2020 Spark!Fishers event, scheduled for June 27, has been canceled.

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.

Noblesville

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Noblesville Lions cancel Pork Chop Dinner

The Noblesville Lions have canceled the June 5-6 Pork Chop Dinner this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The club is looking for a new date, possibly in the fall, if things open up. The club will provide an update if and when a new date is established.



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Column

We Are One Team

By SYDNEY CLIFFORD

While athletes around the county are all a part of their respective school teams, they are united in their common uncertainties for their sports seasons.



During the week of March 9, I was starting a great week. We just had the Sadie Hawkins Dance the weekend before. I lettered for the first time in swim, making it my third sport I had lettered. I had just been moved up a training group

for track because of how fit I was becoming. My coach even told me I would be able to compete the next week for my first indoor track meet since freshman year.

The pieces to an incredible end to my senior year were falling into place.

But in the backdrop of all these loomed a large shadow on this future. Cases of COVID-19 were on the rise all around the US. A student in Avon tested positive. Professional athletics were being canceled, along with NCAA winter and spring sports. Universities were being shut down for the rest of the semester, and soon Westfield would announce that it would be shutting down until after

spring break.

I felt like the track season I had envisioned ahead of me was starting to be pulled away from me. But I still had hope.

The next week, Governor Holcomb announced schools would be closed until May 1.

My heart shattered.

I am a person who likes control and certainty. This felt like my living hell. I wanted to be guaranteed that after school closure was over, I would be able to compete one last time with my teammates, my sisters.

Now, I don't even know if I am able to say goodbye.

I knew that I wasn't alone in what I was feeling. So I decided that I wasn't going to let myself or other athletes be drowned out. I wanted to make sure that we were heard. Uniquely, I had a platform with the Lantern to do something about it, so here we are.

I created a Google form and sent it to as many people as I could. First, the Westfield cross country, distance track, and swim teams. Then, friends in other Westfield sports. Then, friends from Guerin and Noblesville. Finally, on my Instagram and Snap story.

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History of the Hamilton County Basketball Tournament, Part 2 . . .

Arcadia steamrolls to wins at Sheridan Opera House in 1921-22

By CHUCK GODBY

The 1921 Hamilton County boys' basketball tournament was on the move again. This time Sheridan's Opera House played host.

I'm not exactly sure where the Opera House was located 99 years ago, but my late grandpa, Harold E. Godby, used to tell me about basketball games being played on the top floor of the building I've always known as the O.T. Kercheval building, which still stands on the corner of Second and Main streets. So I'm going with that until someone tells me differently.

By now, the now-defunct Hamilton County Athletic Association administered the tourney. The Executive Committee consisted of Earl Hinshaw, Carmel; Frank Hartley, Arcadia; Lee Harshman, Westfield; and Prof. A.E. Harben, Noblesville.

Admission prices were set at 75 cents for the whole day, 35 cents for the first half and 50 cents for the championship game. It was hoped that 50 cents for the championship would keep the crowd more manageable. An estimated 1,000 fans were expected to attend the tourney.

It was also announced the winning school would receive a pennant and the game ball. Also, a mental attitude award winner would be announced at the end of the tourney.

Power-packed Arcadia returned to the field after two years away and the Dragons steamrolled the field. They opened with a 35-10 win over Noblesville; embarrassed the host school, Sheridan, 60-6 (There was still a jump ball after every basket); eliminated Fishers, 45-17; and defeated Westfield in the championship, 48-24.

Vallie Etchison, of Arcadia, was named the mental attitude winner.

It was reported that more than 500 people were turned away from the championship game.

The county tourney returned to Sheridan in 1922.

Boxley was considered the favorite and its fans showed their support by purchasing 170 advance season tickets.

Fishers was considered another favor-



Photo provided

The O.T. Kercheval building is believed to be the site of the Sheridan Opera House, which hosted the Hamilton County Basketball Tournament in 1921 and 1922.

ite since Arcadia, the defending champion, had lost several key players because of low grades.

Some highlights from the '22 tournament included Ernest Carter of Noblesville making a three-quarter court shot against Westfield; William Rayle of Carmel making nine of 11 free throws; and

Westfield's girls beating Sheridan's girls, 8-6, in a preliminary game played prior to the championship.

Once again it was Arcadia, despite losing key players, playing in and winning the championship game, 27-19, over Westfield. Arcadia also beat Cicero, 23-7, and Boxley, 29-11, on its way to a second

felt banner and game ball.

Robert Dawson, from the winning Arcadia team, won the mental attitude award.

Next in the series, the 1923 Hamilton County Tourney moves out of the opera house and into a real gymnasium built for basketball.



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TEAM

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Soon enough, 77 people filled out my form, all aching to be heard, at least by someone who cared enough to hear. Some completely lost their seasons. Others didn't know what the future holds, whether that be practice or future competitions. Many shared feelings of disappointment, sadness, anger, and shock.

Most of my results came from Westfield. But I was able to get nine responses from Guerin Catholic and two from Noblesville. I made sure to showcase the responses from Guerin and Noblesville, but I had to randomly select the responses from Westfield because I wanted to give everyone an equal shot at being heard.

While I was unable to include every response, I read through every response and I felt every word.

Athletes, you are not alone. We are all united in this moment, and we are one team.

No matter what, we will come out of

this as more resilient and determined athletes.

Editor's Note: The following is a list of the student responses Clifford included in her column. Their full responses are available on our website at <https://readthereporter.com/we-are-one-team>.

Anna Hazelrigg (12), Noblesville, Cross Country and Track & Field
Thadeus O'Neill (10), Westfield, Football and Wrestling
Colin Nixon (11), Westfield, Golf
Martin (12), Westfield, Softball and Bowling

Trey Anderson (12), Westfield, Baseball.

Isabella Amaya (9), Westfield, Swim & Dive

Ava Friedman (10), Westfield, Swim & Dive

Jake Weikel (12), Westfield, Lacrosse

Seth Nanna (9), Westfield, Football and Baseball

Mason Cox (12), Westfield, Baseball
Shannon Bola (12), Westfield, Lacrosse

Landon Lawrence (12), Westfield, Lacrosse

Noah McNeany (12), Guerin Catholic, Cross Country and Track & Field

Tyler Backlund (11), Guerin Catholic, Cross Country and Track & Field

Emily DeCocq (12), Noblesville, Swim & Dive

Ashley Black (12), Westfield, Basketball and Lacrosse

Annie Spaletto (9), Westfield, Swim & Dive

Joe Barnett (12), Westfield, Cross Country and Track & Field

Claire Richter (12), Westfield, Track & Field

Dane Wheeler (12), Westfield, Rugby
Aaron Banks, (12), Guerin Catholic, Cycling and Unified Track & Field

Austin Callahan (11), Guerin Catholic, Cross Country and Track & Field

Ella Murphy (12), Guerin Catholic, Lacrosse and Track & Field

David Mannella (12), Westfield, Cross Country and Track & Field

Gavin Yoakum (11), Westfield, Swim & Dive

Owen Ogle (12), Westfield, Rugby
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