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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Partly to mostly sunny.  
Tonight: Partly cloudy.

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# Bright spot in trying times

## Carmel COVID-19 patient released



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Every day there are more confirmed COVID-19 cases and more deaths related to the virus in the state of Indiana. However, there are still some bright spots during all the uncertainty. The staff at IU Health North Hospital in Carmel celebrated on Wednesday the release of the hospital's first COVID-19 patient, and did so with a hit from The Beatles. Prinston Paschal of Carmel was discharged from the hospital after a 48-day stay. To recognize and celebrate his release, the hospital played "Here Comes the Sun" through the intercom system.

# Fishers Health Department begins free testing for COVID-19

## The REPORTER

COVID-19 testing for all Fishers residents age 18 and older is now available for free through the Fishers Health Department.

In partnership with Mid-America Clinical Laboratories, the Fishers Health Department will conduct COVID-19 nasal swab testing from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the City Services Building, located at 3 Municipal Drive.

Residents **MUST complete an online assessment** and reserve an appointment for testing. **NO WALK-UP TESTING WILL BE AVAILABLE.**

## Testing Process

1. Complete the assessment form at [this link](#).
2. If you choose to proceed with testing, schedule an appointment.
3. Receive appointment confirmation.
4. Arrive at drive-thru testing at the scheduled time.
5. Test processing by Mid-America Clinical Laboratories within 72 hours.
6. Receive follow up support information about caring for yourself at home.
7. Test results uploaded to results portal and Fishers Health Department aggregate database.

# County Auditor explains how property taxes are calculated

## Submitted

Every year, thousands of Hamilton County homeowners pay property tax. As part of her office's stated mission to provide transparency and excellent customer service, Hamilton County Auditor Robin Mills thinks it is important to help people understand not only the necessity and value of property taxes, but also the calculation behind how property taxes are determined.

Property taxes are a major source of income for counties, libraries, townships, cities and towns. The different boards, councils and legislatures meet to decide the appropriate tax rate. Each hold budget hearings to determine how much money needs to be allocated for providing various services required by the local community, including education, police and fire, libraries, local infrastructure like highways, roads and streets, parks and operations including salaries of the local units of government.

According to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF), property taxes represent a property owner's portion of the local government's budgeted spending for the current year. Increases and decreases depend upon a local government's fiscal management, the assessed valuation of a property and/or local tax rates, which are based on the budget proposals and revenues received and submitted by local government taxing entities that provide services to each community. Local spending is the reason for property tax rate increases and decreases, depending on local fiscal management.

"The County Assessor is responsible for an annual assessment of every property in Hamilton County. This includes both land and the buildings on it," said Mills.



Mills

## Property tax payment deadline extended

## The REPORTER

Property taxes are due for residents in the State of Indiana on Monday, May 11. However, an executive order issued by Governor Eric Holcomb gives those who need extra time in making those payments an extra 60 days without penalty.

"We realize that there are some who are out of work and struggling financially right now," said Hamilton County Treasurer Jennifer Templeton. "If you find yourself in this situation, you have a grace period that will allow you to pay your bill up to and by July 10 without penalty."

The executive order issued on March 19 asks counties to waive penalties for delinquent non-escrow property taxes – both real and personal – paid for up to 60 days. However, "taxpayers are encouraged to make timely payments in order to ensure orderly operations of government."

"Property taxes are more critical now more than ever," Templeton emphasized.



Templeton

"These taxes are distributed to our police and fire departments, schools, and trustees – services that are critical to our COVID-19 recovery efforts. Paying your property taxes on time ensures no disruption to these services."

Taxpayers have several options for making their payments including the following:

- **Pay online at this link.** Online payment fees do apply. e-Checks are \$1 and credit cards are 2.5 percent.
- Drop off payments at the antique drop box outside the east door of the Courthouse. If you'd like a receipt, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- Drop off payments at the following banks: BMO, Busey, Citizens State, Community First, Farmers, Fifth Third, First Farmers, First Merchants, Horizon, Merchants Bank of Indiana, and Star Financial.

If you have any questions about property taxes, please call the Treasurer's Office at (317) 776-9620 and select Option 7.

"The assessor calculates the value of a property based on general property attributes like its size and the year of construction, as well as the prices of recent sales in the area, in order to determine the property's market value, also known as the gross assessed value."

The County Assessor then transfers the data on each property's value to the County Auditor. The auditor then applies deductions, exemptions and other valuation adjustments and sends these "Certified Net Assessed Values" to the DLGF. The DLGF reviews the values sent by the auditor and converts the values to property tax rates, by dividing each local unit's

approved budget amounts by the assessed value for each unit.

"The DLGF sends their rates back to the county, then the treasurer and I work together to calculate, generate and mail tax bills out to each taxpayer in the county," said Mills. "Property taxes are calculated on the net assessed value of your property. We take the gross assessed value provided by the assessor and apply deductions. The most common deduction is the Homestead Standard Deduction, which is equal to 60 percent of the gross assessed value up to a maximum of \$45,000. It is available for

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# Carmel Clay Schools announces potential graduation plans

## The REPORTER

Carmel Clay Schools (CCS) Superintendent Dr. Michael Beresford recently announced potential plans for Carmel's 2020 high school graduation.

Beresford, in his announcement, said, "Our goal is to create a ceremony that keeps our traditions alive and allows friends and family to share in the moment. We continue to be optimistic that we can provide our traditional in-person event for our graduates and their families, but we are preparing options if we are still restricted from gathering. Our high school administrative staff, teachers, and Class of 2020 student leaders have been working to find ways to achieve these milestones."



Beresford

CCS is working on three plans:

## Plan A

If the social distancing order is lifted, regular graduation will be held at the State Fairgrounds at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 31.

## Plan B

If social distancing continues and large gatherings are still a health risk to families, CCS will work on creative ways to hold a ceremony compliant with the rules in place at that time. This plan may include holding a ceremony as late as July.

## Plan C

If it remains unsafe to gather for a graduation ceremony, or if students/families are unable to attend, CCS is planning a "virtual graduation" video that will be completed and posted on Sunday, May 31.

Beresford concluded, "I appreciate the Greyhound administrative team and staff's response to the challenge of making graduation special for the students and families of the Class of 2020 in this environment. A regular graduation ceremony is a huge undertaking and they are planning for multiple scenarios with many unknowns. I'm proud of their efforts and big hearts for our seniors!"

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## PROPERTY TAXES

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owner-occupied primary residences. The Supplemental Homestead Deduction is also for owner-occupied primary residences. This is equal to 35 percent of assessed value (after the Homestead Standard Deduction has been applied) up to \$600,000, and 25 percent of assessed value over \$600,000.”

Property owners may be eligible for other deductions. Information on those deductions and eligibility requirements can be found on the county’s website at [hamiltoncounty.in.gov](http://hamiltoncounty.in.gov). Once deductions have been subtracted, what is left is the property’s net assessed value. This is the amount to which local tax rates are applied.

Tax rates are recalculated every year by local taxing authorities, such as schools, counties, townships, cities, towns and libraries. The rates are based on the total revenue the taxing authority is allowed to collect (the levy) and the total tax base (the total assessed value in the district).

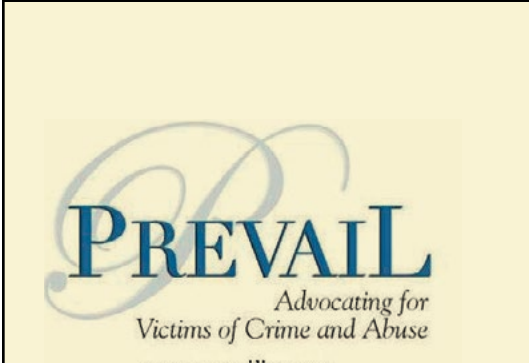
For example, if a school district can collect \$1,000,000 in revenue and the tax base is \$1,000,000,000, the tax rates will be 0.01 percent. That’s \$1,000,000 divided by \$1,000,000,000. The 0.01 percent is the nominal rate, which is applied to the net assessed value.

A very useful tool for understanding your tax bill is the TS-1 Comparison Statement that accompanies every tax bill. This statement compares assessed values, taxes, deductions and rates taxes from the prior year to the current year.

Real Estate owners in the state of Indiana must pay taxes on their property each year. Taxes are divided into two annual installments (for 2020, May 11 and Nov. 10).

On March 19, 2020, Governor Holcomb issued Indiana Executive Order 20-05, which waives penalties for late-paid property taxes. Property taxes remain due on May 11, 2020; however, counties are to waive penalties on payments made after May 11, 2020, for a period of 60 days, until July 10, 2020. This waiver does not apply to tax payments which have been escrowed by financial institutions on behalf of property taxpayers.

Understanding property taxes can be confusing, but you can be assured that the county’s offices are there to answer any of your questions or concerns.



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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.



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




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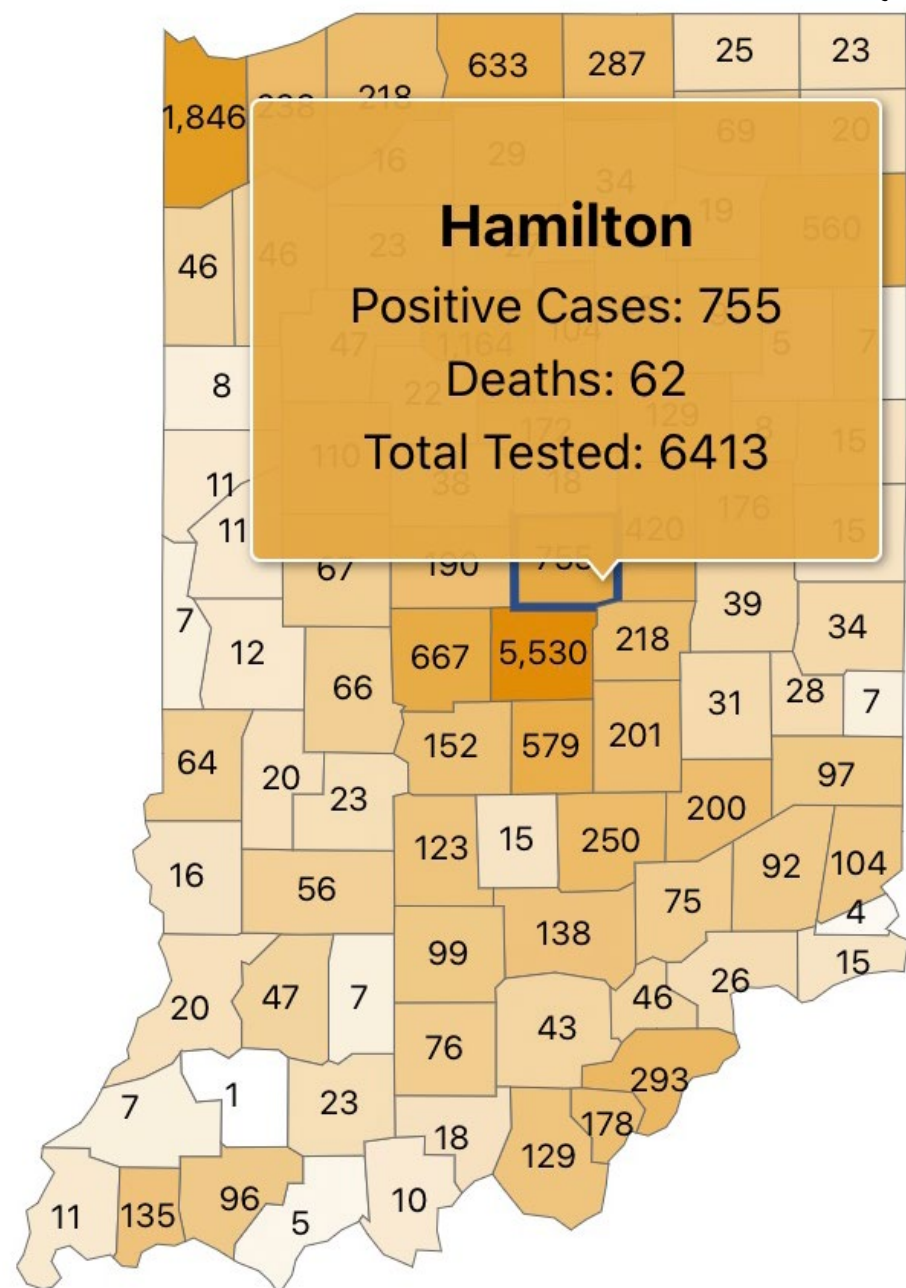
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## COVID-19 deaths top 60 in Hamilton County



Graphic provided by Indiana State Department of Health  
As of Wednesday, April 29, the State Department of Health reported 755 positive COVID-19 cases in Hamilton County. The number of deaths rose to 62. A total of 6,413 of the county's residents had been tested for the virus.

### Letter to the Editor

## Jeff Hern: Why I'm running

*Editor's note: Jeff Hern currently serves as an At Large member of the Hamilton County Council.*

Dear Editor:  
Hamilton County has been home to me since 2003. I immediately started volunteering to understand how I can do my part to make Hamilton County a better place. I have always felt it was my duty to help where needed. That journey led me to becoming Fall Creek Township Trustee, and eventually Hamilton County Councilor.

As I seek re-election to the Hamilton County Council, I will continue to serve my county well. I want to keep government limited while maintaining low taxes. We live in one of the best counties in the country, and we need people with strong knowledge, experience and work ethic to continue serving.

I have always been a strong supporter of public safety. I serve on the Hamilton County Sheriff's Committee, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Committee, and the County Fire Chief

Committee. Residents should be protected efficiently, effectively and quickly.

I regularly interact with members of multiple departments throughout the county to improve support and gather ideas, ensuring our community public safety agencies stay on the leading edge. Our public safety professionals should always have the best training available.

In addition to public safety, our residents deserve high value for low taxes. I am proud to dive deep into our county budget in order to understand it. It's my duty to serve the residents of Hamilton County, and I am ready to help at any level to protect our county.

Please remember to vote this year. In the midst of COVID-19, any resident can now request an absentee ballot. Request a ballot by going to the county's website [here](http://here).

I ask for your support on June 2, or prior if you are voting early.

Thank you.  
**Jeff Hern**  
*Fishers*

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### Public Notice

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

##### 2020 STREET REHABILITATION – CONTRACT III Contract No.: EN-320-05 NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Public Works and Safety, City of Noblesville, at the Office of the Clerk, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana, until 9:00 a.m. (local time) on **May 12, 2020** and then will be publicly opened and read aloud at 9:00 a.m. on **May 12, 2020**. Any bid(s) received later than 9:00 a.m. (local time) on **May 12, 2020** will be returned unopened.

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:** Base bid work for which proposals are to be received is for the construction of approximately 2450 tons of full depth patching, 80400 square yards of surface pavement milling, 14000 tons of HMA surface and wedge and level, 125000 linear feet of pavement striping, 4000 tons of compacted #53 stone shoulder, 66 linear feet of culvert replacement, and 200 linear feet of W-beam guardrail installation.

**BID DOCUMENTS:** Electronic copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after **April 27, 2020** by sending an email to [arodewald@noblesville.in.us](mailto:arodewald@noblesville.in.us) and [scooper@noblesville.in.us](mailto:scooper@noblesville.in.us) requesting instructions to download project documents. In the email request, state project name and company information with primary contact (address, phone, fax, and email).

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on Bid Forms contained in the Contract Documents. Each Bid shall be accompanied by a completely filled out Form No. 96 (Revised 2013), and acceptable bid security. Any Bid not accompanied by the aforementioned required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive Bid.

No Bidder may withdraw the proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for the receiving of bids. The City reserves the right to retain any and all bids for a period of not more than 60 days and said bid shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the Contract to any Bidder all to the advantage of the City of Noblesville or to reject all bids.

**BID SECURITY:** Each bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville or an acceptable bid bond in the amount equal to five percent of the total bid price executed by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana and whose name appears of the current Treasury Department Circular 570.

**BONDS:** A Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract price will be required from the Contractor to whom the work is awarded.

**QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS:** Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work type, must be on the most current Indiana Department of Transportation Pre-Qualified Contractors list at the date of the Bid Opening for the types of work involved with this project, including, but not limited to "Placing Asphalt Pavement", "Asphalt Pavement Milling", "Traffic Control: Pavement Markings", "Small Structures, Culverts, & Drainage Items", and "Guardrail, Cable Barrier, Crash Attenuators, and Fence".

All contractors, suppliers and subcontractors shall demonstrate 5 years of progressive public works experience in work similar in nature to this project. All workers employed on the project shall have documented legal citizenship or immigration status. Any general or subcontractor that has outstanding fees or inspections or has outstanding work-related, performance, or quality issues with the City of Noblesville may be deemed as non-responsive or non-responsible.

Any bid submitted by a firm that is not a plan holder and does not appear on the Official Plan Holders List for this project will be deemed non-responsive and non-responsible.

**INDIANA REQUIREMENTS:** Standard Questionnaire Form 96 – Revised 2013, completely filled out and signed, including attachment of Contractor's Financial Statement.

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### Virtual Meetings

The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet virtually for a work session at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2020. An executive session will follow at 6:30 p.m.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly Capital and Construction meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 4, 2020, virtually using GoToMeeting. Links to view the meeting can be found at [trico.eco](http://trico.eco).

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# ATI welcomes new guests for 7<sup>th</sup> Friday Night Live

## The REPORTER

Actors Theatre of Indiana will present its 7th Friday Night Live at 7:30 p.m. this evening, May 1, on a computer or video screen near you.

Enjoy great music with 'no strings attached' as special guests from The Indiana Wind Symphony join in another presentation of "Music Heals and Unifies" including special performances by ATI's Don Farrell, Judy

Fitzgerald and Cynthia Collins and Executive Director Jim Reilly.

The Indiana Wind Symphony, founded in 1997, is made up of 65 members, including professional musicians and music educators. This wind ensemble consists of members of the woodwind, brass and percussion families of instruments.

ATI is honored to have special guests Dr. Charles Conrad, Founder and Music

Director of the Indiana Wind Symphony, along with Carl Butler and Jeff Goens, two of the symphony's featured musicians.

Also joining the show is Katy Gentry McCord singing Judy Garland songs. McCord was part of the 2007 ATI performance of "Beyond the Rainbow."

This is a perfect way to spend your Friday night as everyone continues to practice social distancing ...

with the help of social media. Hundreds of fans have been joining in each week as ATI continues to find ways to use social media to present a program of music inspired by Broadway and the greatest music of our lives.

It is easy to join by logging onto [ATI's Facebook Live event](#). Then grab a nice snack and beverage and enjoy the show. Invite your friends, create your own "watch party" and join in the fun.

# INDOT reminds Hoosiers to keep campaign signs out of rights-of-way

## The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Transportation would like to remind Hoosiers to keep campaign signs out of the state highway rights-of-way. Campaign signs in state highway rights-of-way are prohibited by Indiana Code 9-21-4-6. Campaign signs are not permitted in state rights-of-way any time of the year, whether it is a primary or general election cycle. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the

primary election date in Indiana has moved to June 2.

Areas that should remain sign-free include:

- Intersections
- Interchanges
- Rights-of-way that run parallel to highways, including medians, shoulders and roadside areas

Where the right of way is not clearly marked, boundaries may be estimated as the fence line, the back of the ditch or behind utility poles.

INDOT personnel will remove campaign signs and other illegal signs from rights-of-way – pursuant to code – as they are encountered in normal highway maintenance activities. Crews may also remove a specific sign if it presents an immediate safety risk, such as being too close to the roadway or creating a sight obstruction. Campaign signs placed off the right-of-way will not be removed.

Removed signs will be taken to the nearest INDOT facility. Campaign signs may be claimed by the owner between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for holidays. Please note that during Governor Holcomb's stay-at-home order, signs will not be available for pickup.

To report signs placed in the right-of-way, contact INDOT customer service at [indot4u.com](#) or 1-855-463-6848.

# Indiana's first Free Fishing Day is Sunday, May 3

## The REPORTER

May 3 is the first of Indiana's four Free Fishing Days. On Free Fishing Days, Indiana residents can fish the state's public waters without a fishing license or trout/salmon stamp.

Fishing is an excellent way to get outside and connect as a family. It is also a great opportunity to relax and connect with the out-

doors while practicing social distancing. If fishing is a new activity for your family, keep things simple – this often makes fishing more fun and safer. The best thing to do is get out there and wet a line. May is an especially good time to fish because the water is warming and the fish are biting.

Visit a local park, state forest, fish and wildlife area,


or state recreation area for fishing opportunities. For public places to fish, see the Where to Fish map at [on.IN.gov/where2fish](#). You can also find nearby urban water with catchable-size channel catfish or rainbow trout at [wildlife.IN.gov/7508.htm](#).

This year's remaining Free Fishing Days are June 6 and 7, and Sept. 26. To learn more about Free Fish-

ing Days, see [dnr.IN.gov/fishfree](#).

When fishing or doing any other activity, Hoosiers should follow posted restrictions and practice social distancing. Your fishing rod is a measure of appropriate social distance. For the most up-to-date information regarding DNR and COVID-19, visit [on.IN.gov/dnrcovid19](#).

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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*But Peter rehearsed the matter from the beginning, and expounded it by order unto them, saying, I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me: Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.*  
Acts 11:4-6 (KJV)

### Richard Allan Purdy

February 21, 1938 – April 24, 2020



Richard Allan Purdy, 92, Sheridan, passed away on Friday morning, April 24, 2020 at Autumn Trace of Rensselaer, Ind. Born February 21, 1938 in Boone County, he was the son of the late Harold "Doc" Purdy and Ruby (Perigo) Purdy.

A 1956 graduate of Sheridan High School, Richard served his country as a Military Police Officer, stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. After his service in the United States Army was complete, he returned to Indiana and entered the workforce. For several years, Richard worked as a fabricator with Kirby and Son Machine Fabricators in Noblesville. He later hired on with General Motors as a tool and die setter, eventually retiring from the company.

Richard was a loving husband and father, and a devoted grandfather. Retirement afforded him lots of time to devote to his grandchildren and countless hours to spend fishing with "the gang."

Richard is survived by his son, Stephen Purdy (April), Noblesville; daughter, Stacy Castor (James), Remington; four grandchildren, Jessica Gentry (Jordan), Jennifer Castor, Kaitlin Purdy and Stephen Connor Purdy; great-grandchildren, Crew Gentry, Grady Gentry and Beau Randle; sister, Lonna Inskeep (Phil), Rensselaer; brother-in-law, Dan McVey; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Doc and Ruby Purdy; infant daughter, Tracy Ann Purdy; sisters, Myra McVey and Lynn Hume; brother-in-law, Larry Hume; and by the love of his life, his wife, Carol Ann (Bess) Purdy, on June 20, 2014. She and Richard were married on August 22, 1959.

Through the recommendation of our public health officials with regards to public health and safety, private family services will be held at this time. A celebration of life is being planned for a later date. Richard will be laid to rest at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Condolences: [kerchevalfuneralhome.com](http://kerchevalfuneralhome.com)

### Catherine Anne Decarlo

August 28, 1966 – April 26, 2020



Catherine Anne Decarlo, 53, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, April 26, 2020, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville. She was born on August 28, 1966 in Chicago, Ill.

Cathy had a seizure at 12 months that was followed by several over the next two years. After extensive neurological testing, she was diagnosed as profoundly mentally handicapped with a cognitive age of 18 months and cerebral palsy. Cathy lived at home for 14 years. She was incorporated into our lives and not someone we lived "around." Music was something we all enjoyed and shared. Cathy clapped and swayed to the music and laughed. She loved listening to "records" and watching Sesame Street and Mr. Rogers on television. She went to Tri County school in Noblesville, loved being in the heated pool and throwing balls in the wonderful soft floored gym. The day came when she couldn't be cared for at home because of her handicaps. She was in a wheelchair and our stairs were becoming an obstacle. A residential group home was an easy transition for her as we brought her home for week-ends and visited often. She continued going to Tri County until her graduation.

After school was completed, group activities continued at the home which included singing, music, crafts and watching movies and television. The staff who cared for her through the years were amazing. Cathy was content with her life. I always said, "If Cathy is not near the one she loves, she loves the one who is near."

She was in the hospital the last few weeks of her life and when they could do no more for her, hospice was called in and we were allowed to see her the last week in spite of the COVID-19 pandemic. We were glad to have the time with her and were assured she suffered no pain. Thank you to hospice and the Riverview Hospital staff and nurses and doctors. She went home to the Lord and we are grateful for our God and His comfort. I tell you all this to show you my Cathy as a handicapped person who lived a life that meant something to all who knew her and loved her.

— Written by her mom, Janice Decarlo

She is survived by her mother, Janice Decarlo, Noblesville; her father, Andrew J. Decarlo, Fort Myers, Fla.; her brother, Andrew M. Decarlo, Noblesville; her sister, Teresa Decarlo, Anderson; her nephew, Brian Platte, Denver, Colo.; her aunt, Phyllis Simons, Branson, Mo.; cousin, Diane Hartenback, Houston, Texas; and her uncle, Ray Johnson, Birmingham, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Susan Platte of California, in 2004.

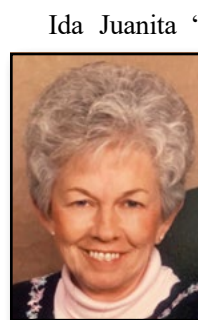
A memorial service will be held at a later date this summer at Randall Roberts Funeral Home when we can gather together.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Elysian Foundation, c/o Tamala Grabb, 1812 Walnut Way, Noblesville, IN 46062. This organization provides gifts for all the residents of group homes locally at Christmas.

Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)

### Ida Juanita "Gran" Rednour

September 20, 1937 – April 28, 2020



Ida Juanita "Gran" Rednour, 82, Arcadia, passed away April 28, 2020 with her family at her side.

She was born September 20, 1937 in Cumberland City, Ky., to Samuel and Opal (Clark) Ayers. She then received her education at Clinton County Schools in Albany, Ky.

She married Edward Lee Rednour on December 24, 1956, and together they raised two sons, Allen (Kathy) Rednour and Jeff (Kris) Rednour; and two daughters, Peggy (Kenny) Geiger and Sherry (Jon) Purkey, all of Cicero.

Additional survivors include her grandchildren, Joshua and Amber Huffman, Jacob, Levi, Katelyn, Taylor and Madelyn Rednour, Jon Paul, Austin and Karlee Purkey; plus great-grandchildren, Willow Huffman, and Ryder, Oakley and Kase Rednour.

In addition to her parents and husband she was preceded in death by a brother, Eugene Ayers; and sisters, Sallie Craig, Sue Johnson, Agnes Craig, Virginia Allen, Vonda Rednour, Kaye Lynch and Ruth Thornsberry.

Due to the restrictions in place because of the coronavirus, there will be a private family time of visitation followed by graveside rites at Arcadia Cemetery. Rev. Mark Knapp will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, 115 W. Washington St., Suite 1180-South, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Services are entrusted to Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel where you may send condolences at [hartleyfuneralhomes.com](http://hartleyfuneralhomes.com).

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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 depository, and in-person appointments by request (including new account openings, loan appointments, etc.).

Please call (765) 236-0600 with any questions.

## Carmel

### Palladium concerts rescheduled

**The REPORTER**  
The Center for the Performing Arts has rescheduled four Center Presents concerts that had been postponed in response to public health guidelines for COVID-19.

Ticket holders with questions can contact Patron Services at [Tickets@TheCenterPresents.org](#).

The rescheduled performances will be part of the 2020-21 Center Presents 10th Anniversary Season sponsored by Allied Solutions.

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

**Dear Patrons:**  
The remaining two shows of the 2019-20 season will be delayed as follows:

*The Last Five Years*, which had been scheduled to run from April 24 to May 10, will shift forward to July 17-26, assuming rehearsals can start up again by May/June, for performances at The Cat.

[Click here](#) to make a tax-deductible donation to Carmel Community Players. For more information, call (317) 815-9387 or visit [carmelplayers.org](#).

#### Carmel closes Monon Community Center

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

## 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 [primelifeenrichment.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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*History of the Hamilton County Basketball Tournament, Part 3 . . .*

## Crowds continued to increase as tourney moved through the mid '20s

By **CHUCK GODBY**

Carmel High School's brand-new gymnasium hosted the 1923 Hamilton County Boys' Basketball Tournament. However, the change of scenery failed to snuff out the Arcadia Dragons' fire.

Arcadia and Fishers were pre-tourney favorites and they showed up for the championship game with Arcadia prevailing, 48-25.

Carmel's new basketball facility featured a hardwood floor and upper and lower galleries. More than 1,000 fans were able to see the championship game.

Fishers' Paul Butz won the mental attitude award.

Noblesville did not compete in the tournament, as the team had disbanded prior to the start of the tourney.

The tourney came back in Carmel in 1924, and once again Coach Fred Anderson guided another Arcadia squad to the county championship. This time the Dragons won their fifth straight by besting host Carmel in the finale, 36-20.

John Noble of Arcadia won the mental attitude award, but not before suffering a broken collarbone in the championship game when he collided with a Carmel player.

The winning team's players received a gold basketball watch charm.

Yes, Noblesville was back together in '24, losing to Arcadia in the semi-finals.

The tourney moved from Carmel to Cicero's new gymnasium in 1925. A thousand tickets were divided among the 10 competing schools and it was announced the county champion would be awarded a pennant, game ball and silver loving cup that was sponsored by the Cicero Commercial Club.

Defending champ Arcadia eliminated Boxley and Atlanta before finally being knocked out by Carmel, 34-18.

With an estimated crowd of 1,000 to 1,200 people on hand, Carmel and Noblesville engaged in the closest county championship game yet. Ralph Cotton's game-winning bucket lifted Carmel to a 28-26 triumph over Noblesville.

Sheridan's Cyrus Gunn won the mental attitude award.

It was also reported that Sheridan's girls defeated Noblesville's girls, 18-15, to win the girls' county championship.

The 1926 tournament went back to Noblesville. Noblesville, Cicero, Sheridan and Westfield all weighted in as favorites to bring home the championship silk banner.

Arcadia was considered the weakest team in the field, but the Dragons fought their way back to the title game where they lost to Cicero, 26-14. It was the Red Devils' first championship and Arcadia's seventh appearance in the final game where it had won six of the first nine.

Fishers' Keith Emery won the mental attitude award.

Two interesting facts were mentioned from the '26 tournament:

Cicero's players, coached by C.E. Gaskins, were not allowed to watch any other tourney games. After the Red Devils played they returned to Cicero for a meal of eggs and toast and a nap.

Before the championship game, 4-year-old Charles Floyd "Buddy" Hunter of Walnut Grove was on the playing floor putting on a show of athletic stunts for the fans. Someone in the stands tossed a dime at the younger, starting a flurry of coin tossing that resulted in \$1.46 for Buddy to put in his bank.

The Hamilton County Tourney, in its original form, would come to an end after the 1965 tournament. It came back later for a short time. Stay tuned for a tourney wrap-up.



Photo provided

The Cicero Commercial Club sponsored this silver loving cup beginning with the 1925 Hamilton County Boys Basketball Tournament. It was among the many prizes given to the tourney champion that season, which was played for the first time that year at Cicero's new gymnasium.

## High school senior, team golf tournaments set for June

High school boys golfers will have the opportunity to play in two tournaments this June.

The Indiana Boys Golf Senior Open will be played June 3 and 4 at The Legends Golf Club in Franklin. The tournament is open to the first 120 players from the Class of 2020 who register. Westfield coach Josh Bryant is on the tournament committee, and several Hamilton County players have already registered for the event.

The following week, the Indiana 2020

Team Tournament will take place. A qualifying round is scheduled for Monday, June 8 at seven golf clubs around the state (The Legends, Country Oaks, Brookwood, Otter Creek, Ulen Country Club, The Players Club, Harrison Hills); teams may choose their site. The top 18 teams out of the qualifying round advance to the finals, which are set for June 10 and 11 at the Purdue University Ackerman Course.

Registration for the Team Tournament runs from May 8 to May 29 through the Indiana Golf Association.

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# Hamilton County Reporter's Girls Basketball All-County Team

PLAYER OF THE YEAR  
Sydney Parrish, Hamilton Southeastern

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER  
Katie Burton, Fishers

BREAKOUT PLAYER OF THE YEAR  
Ashlynn Shade, Noblesville

ALL-COUNTY TEAM  
Carmel: Kate Clarke, Bridget Dunn.  
Fishers: Katie Burton, Tamia Perryman, Lydia Stullken.  
Guerin Catholic: Nicole Cunningham, Olivia Labus.  
Hamilton Heights: Jillian Osswald, Bayleigh Runner.  
Hamilton Southeastern; Jackie Maulucci, Sydney Parrish.

Noblesville: Mallory Miller, Ashlynn Shade.  
Sheridan: Taylor Bates, Allie Delph.  
University: Maddi Sears, Lindsey Syrek.  
Westfield: Alyssa Crockett, Ava Henson.

HONORABLE MENTION  
Carmel: Hannah Lach.  
Fishers: Audra Emmerson.  
Guerin Catholic: Kathryn Loso.  
Hamilton Heights: MyKayla Moran.  
Hamilton Southeastern: Lauren Morris.  
Noblesville: Abby Haley.  
Sheridan: Kaylie Kantz.  
University: Kelsey DuBois.  
Westfield: Ashtin DeCraene.

# Hamilton County Reporter's Boys Basketball All-County Team

PLAYER OF THE YEAR  
Mabor Majak, Hamilton Southeastern

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER  
Gus Etchison, Hamilton Heights

BREAKOUT PLAYER OF THE YEAR  
Nic DePasquale, Westfield

ALL-COUNTY TEAM  
Carmel: Connor Gioia, Peter Suder, Brian Waddell.  
Fishers: Jeffrey Simmons, Alex Szilagyi.  
Guerin Catholic: Kaleb Edwards, Bernie McGuinness.  
Hamilton Heights: Gus Etchison, Camron Knott.  
Hamilton Southeastern; Vinny Buccilla, Mabor Majak.

Noblesville: Jordan Gadis, Alex Hunt.  
Sheridan: Nolan Buckner, Ethan Moistner.  
University: Max Greenamoyer, Joe Martin.  
Westfield: Nic DePasquale, Braden Smith.

HONORABLE MENTION  
Carmel: Jackson Janssen.  
Fishers: Charlie Smith.  
Guerin Catholic: Joseph Bobilya.  
Hamilton Heights: Hudson Hochstedler.  
Hamilton Southeastern: Kole Hornbuckle.  
Noblesville: E.J. Smith.  
Sheridan: Kyle Eden.  
University: Sam Mervis.  
Westfield: Cam Haffner.

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