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TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Partly sunny. Scattered showers or storms in the afternoon. Tonight: Spotty showers



HIGH: 83 LOW: 67

Are candidates violating county's sign ordinance?

The REPORTER

Early Voting began on Tuesday and campaign signs for candidates running in the Primary Election littered the Judicial Center lawn.

In December of last year, the county commissioners approved an amended sign ordinance they said would eliminate confusion between similar ordinances in Hamilton County's cities and towns.

a unanimous vote, passed Amended Ordinance No. 11-25-19-A at their Dec. 19 meeting. The amended proposal prohibits the placement of all non-public safety signs within public rights-of-way in the unin-

ilton County, along roads and bridges maintained by Hamilton County, and on land owned by the county.

After the amended ordinance was passed in December, with a Feb. 1, 2020 enactment date, Hamilton County Commissioner Steve Dillinger said, "When it comes right down to it, this is really a matter of safety. Poorly placed signs increase visual clutter, distract drivers, and make it difficult to The commissioners, in obey street and traffic signs."

On Tuesday, Hamilton County Reporter Publisher Jeff Jellison asked Commissioners Dillinger and Mark Heirbrandt if the signs on the Judicial Center lawn violated the county ordinance.



Numerous campaign signs - including those for Mark Heirbrandt and Steve Dillinger - were on display on the grounds of the Government and Judicial Center Tuesday despite the ordinance passed by the county commissioners last year prohibiting the placement of such signs on county-owned property. corporated areas of Ham- See Ordinance... Page 2 The full text of the ordinance, passed on Dec. 19, 2019 and never amended, is available on Page 2.

Fishers police warn residents of 'Senior Assassin' game

The REPORTER

ment has responded to several calls for as Senior Assassin. This game involves lic resulting in calls to 911. Various calls

many years and has grown to a point Recently the Fishers Police Depart- where there are many safety concerns.

Police say this activity can appear susyoung people engaging in a game known picious and concerning to the general pub- call the Police Department.

Police ask the community to be aware of this game, and if they see anything suspicious to avoid confronting anyone and to

School Resource Officers have spoken

120-year-old mystery . . . New historical book explores "Who shot Cyclone Johnson?"

The full story of the most infamous shootout in Hamilton County history, which



high school seniors tracking other seniors received by Hamilton County dispatchers to the students leading these activities at and squirting the "target" with a squirt include participants trespassing on private gun.

According to the Fishers Police Department, the student-led city-wide squirt ways, which puts themselves and residents gun tournament has been occurring for at risk.

property and driving dangerously in residential neighborhoods and major road-

Spike in county COVID-19 cases

each high school and communicated the police department's concerns.

Fishers Police do not condone this game and strongly encourage people to avoid this activity.

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included

took the lives of a policeman and a preacher, is told in a new book coming out on the 120th anniversary of the shootings.

Wright, Andrew historical researcher

for the Carmel Clay Historical Society, has done months of digging into the 1900 incident and brings a conclusion to the question of "Who shot Cyclone Johnson?"

On the evening of June 8, 1900, a fiery, itinerant evangelist, Thomas J. (Cyclone) Johnson, was brought before the Carmel Justice of the Peace Court, held at the Jeffries Livery Stable, to face allegations of assault and battery against a teen-



Carey

age Carmel boy who heckled the preacher during one of his revival meetings.

Carmel constable Edward Carey, knowing the volatile preacher, deputized his cousin, William Frank Carey, to help escort Johnson to court. For some reason, the supposedly reformed ex-con Rev. Johnson was not adequately searched. He was carrying a hidden revolver.

Upon reaching the livery stable, where a large crowd had gathered, Johnson apparently panicked, pulled his weapon, and shot the deputy. William Carey died on the spot.

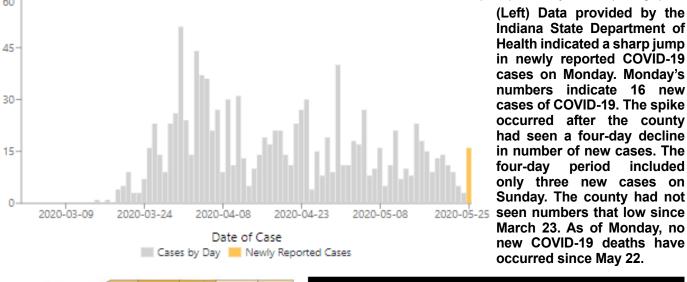
Chaos erupted, followed by gunfire from members of the crowd. Johnson was killed by multiple gunshot wounds. The county sheriff and coroner were called, but after questioning, no one in the crowd admitted to knowing who shot Cyclone. The shooter was listed as undetermined.

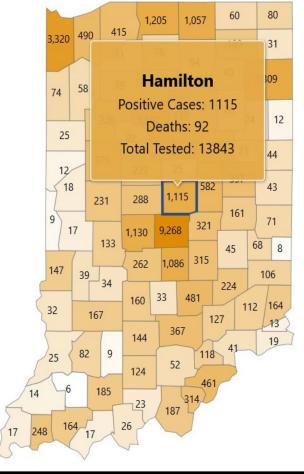
The killings got wide news coverage at the time. Carey left a widow and three children. Johnson also left a widow and children.

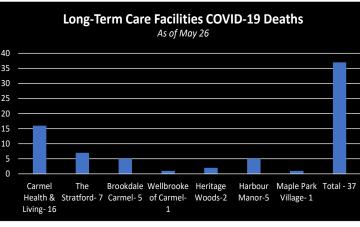
Now, more than a century later, Wright has discovered new information after combing through 78 pages of witness testimony which had not been seen since the incident. In it he finds the answers to who shot Cyclone.

Deputy Carey is honored with a statue on Main Street at the Monon Trail near the site of the shootout. The only law enforcement officer ever killed in Carmel, his photo hangs in Carmel Police headquarters.

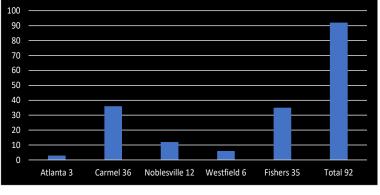
The book, entitled *The Story of Frank* Carey and Cyclone Johnson, may be purchased at the Carmel Historical Society Depot Museum in June.











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ORDINANCE

Although the ordi- at their May 18 meeting, tions. nance specifically states and by a unanimous decithe issue was brought up facilities with polling stafrom Page 1

Both commissioners signs are prohibited from sion, commissioners de- confirmed the ordinance county owned real estate, cided to allow campaign was not amended to permit both commissioners said signs at county owned the signs to be placed on county owned property.

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 11-25-19-A AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING PLACEMENT OF SIGNS IN PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, as the legislative body of Hamilton County, Indiana, has he authority to regulate the use of public rights of way defined as "Hamilton County Right of Way" in this Ordinance; and, WHEREAS, the placements of signs near public streets can, in some circumstances, impair the visibility of drivers of the ehicles on public streets; and,

WHEREAS, the placement of signs near public streets increases visual clutter within the public right of way, distracts drivers on the streets, and makes it more difficult for motorists to recognize regulatory signs which are necessary for safe

avel along the public street; and, WHEREAS, Hamilton County has legitimate public interest in enhancing the safety of persons who travel the public

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Hamilton County; and, Commissioners of Hamilton County pass an Ordinance which prohibits the placement of all non-public safety signs within bublic rights of way in the unincorporated area of Hamilton County; along other roads and bridges maintained by Hamilton County; and on land owned by the County. IT IS THEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County as follows:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the following definitions: a. "Hamilton County Streets" includes:

All public streets within the unincorporated area of Hamilton County.
 146th Street east from the Boone County line to Marilyn Road.
 Campus Parkway east from Marilyn Road to the I-69 bridge.
 Olio Road from 96th Street north to, and including, the round-a-bout at Campus Parkway.

5. Any bridge of over twenty (20) feet in length located within Hamilton County other than bridges over I-69, US 31, State Road 37, and Keystone Parkway.
b. "Hamilton County Right of Way" shall mean the land contiguous to a Hamilton County Street, extending a minimum of twenty (20) feet from the centerline of the street, pursuant to Indiana Code § 8-20-1-15, and shall include additional land which contains sidewalks, multi-use paths, drainage ditches along the road, land conspicuously used for the placement of public utilities, and/or directional signs. In the event there is no obvious designation of the right of way based upon the above, the term "Hamilton County Right of Way" shall include at least the area between the edge of pavement of a Hamiltor County Street to the farthest of the following distances:

The area between Hamilton County Street and the furthest edge of any public trail or sidewalk.
 The edge from the Hamilton County Street to above ground utility poles or other utility structures, which are

Any person seeking information concerning the width of Hamilton County Right of Way at a specific location of a Hamilton County Street, may call the Hamilton County Highway Department at 317-773-7770 or email county.highway@ hamiltoncounty.in.gov. A request must specifically identify the location of the right of way by street location.

SECTION 2. PROHIBITION. a. No sign shall be placed within the Hamilton County Right of Way; or upon real estate owned by Hamilton County;

 a. To sign shall be placed within the harmon county Right of Way, of upon real estate owned by Harmon County, or a department of Hamilton County Government, other than traffic and designation signs approved by the Board of Commissioners or the Hamilton County Highway Department.
 b. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit the placement signs outside of Hamilton County Right of Way of Hamilton County Streets, as long as said signs are placed on the private property with the consent of the owner or occupant of the roperty.

c. Exemptions: The following signs are exempt from the prohibition of Section 2(a) so long as they do not: (1) obstruct

any traffic or designation signs; or (2) obstruct the view of drivers on Hamilton County Streets:

 Government signs that are placed by government officers in the performance of their official duties;
 Temporary or permanent signs erected by public utility companies, construction companies; or County employees in the performance of their professional duties; and,

3. Temporary signs necessary to preven an immediate threat to public health and safety. <u>SECTION 3. JURISDICTION</u>. This Ordinance shall only be applicable to the placement of signs within Hamilton County Right of Way; on land owned by Hamilton County; or any department of Hamilton County Government as described in

ection 1(b) above SECTION 4. RETRIEVAL OF SIGNS.

<u>SECTION 4. RETRIEVAL OF SIGNS.</u>
 a. Any person, company, or other entity identified on a sign, or their representative designated in writing, may retrieve signs collected by the County under this Ordinance. The person claiming the signs must be identified on a Retrieval Form available from the Highway Department at www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov or by requesting a form from the Highway Department at 317-773-7770. Prior to the release of the sign(s) by the County, the owner of the sign or their designee, shall pay a fee to the County to partially pay the cost of collecting and storing the signs, which fees for collection shall be:

 Three Dollars (\$3) for each sign larger than six (6) square feet.
 The power fees are based upon the reasonably estimated cests of trucks and crews used to collect the signs and the

b. The above fees are based upon the reasonably estimated costs of trucks and crews used to collect the signs and the easonably estimated number of signs which may be collected during certain times as shown on Exhibit A.

c. The payment and release of the signs shall occur at the Hamilton County Highway Department, at 1700 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana, during regular business hours, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm. All payments shall be paid by credit card, or debit card. All payments shall also include a three percent (3%) additional charge for processing the credit

d. In the event the owner of the sign or their designee do not collect their signs from the Hamilton County Highway Department before June 30th, or December 31st of each year, the signs may be destroyed by the County without liability to the owner.

e. All reimbursement fees collected under this Ordinance shall be placed in a segregated fund and shall be used solely to

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eimburse the County for the costs of des oy law.

f. Any person who believes their signs were improperly removed under this Ordinance may file an appeal for a refund of he fees collected under Section 4(a) above. Said appeal shall be made to the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, vhose decision may be appealed to a Court of proper jurisdiction only based on abuse of discretion. <u>SECTION 5. REMOVAL OF SIGNS</u>.

a. The Director of Planning, his designee, all employees of the Hamilton County Highway Department and any Hamilton County Deputy Sheriff may remove any sign placed or

maintained in violation of this Ordinance. Any person designated above may remove a sign located within Hamilton County Right of Way or on property owned by the County immediately and without notice. All signs collected shall be delivered to the Hamilton County Highway Department at 1700 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana, during normal business hours and within two (2) business days of removal.

b. All signs unlawfully placed within Hamilton County Right of Way may be removed, collected, and held at the Hamilton County Highway Department. Neither Hamilton County, nor a person designated by Hamilton County, shall be liable to the where of the sign for the removal or damage of the sign collected from Hamilton County Right of Way or on land owned by the County.

c. Any landowner within the unincorporated part of Hamilton County, may, without notice, or liability to the owner of the ign, remove and dispose of any sign placed upon the landowner's land without the landowner's permission. d. This Ordinance shall not be construed to limit the placement of Non-Commercial Signs on private property with the ermission of owner or tenant of the land.

SECTION 6. REPEAL. This Ordinance shall repeal Ordinance No. 02-12-18-B, Ordinance No. 02-26-18-B, and Ordinance 04-03-18-A.

<u>SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY</u>. Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent urisdiction to be invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other that he part so declared to be invalid.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force effect on February 1, 2020. The Auditor of Hamilton County shall cause notice of adoption of this Ordinance to be published pursuant to Indiana law. ALL OF WHICH IS ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County on the 19th day of December,

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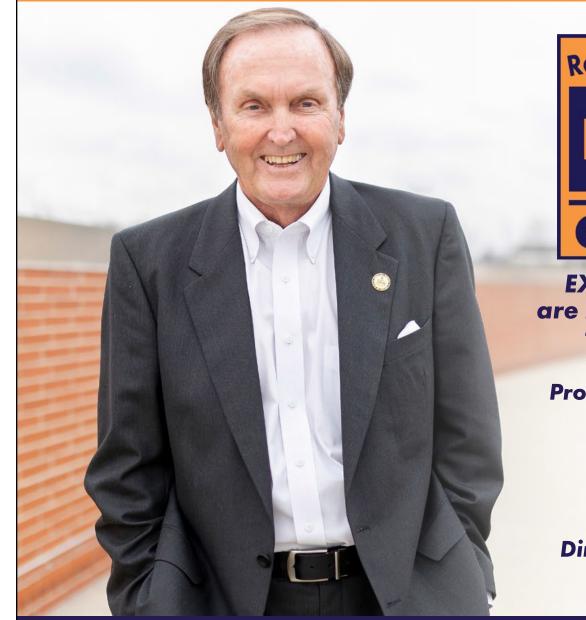
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Purdue President

Mitch Daniels

defends decision to

Common sense tells us freedom, sacrifice don't have to be at odds

"Freedomisn't free, it costs folks like you and *me.* "

-Trey Parker My column is based on fitness and nutrition and importance the of how we utilize our bodies and minds in achiev-

ing the best health possible. freedom. These heroes and So the quote I have used may not seem to align with that purpose, but bear with me and I will get there.

First of all, as we have just passed Memorial Day and as we celebrate and honor those who have fought for our country and made the ultimate sacrifice, it is almost overwhelming to actually contemplate the number of those who have done so.

Those numbers begin with the early settlers of this country and include those Native Americans who died protecting a er, have refused to follow country they believed to the guidelines and many be theirs. Those who have perished in the many wars, been put in place to help



lives in serving their country and fighting for our all of our veterans hold a

the Revolution-

up to and in-

cluding the cur-

the Middle East

have given their

special place in our hearts for what they have endured and accomplished.

the term "freedom isn't free" as it relates to other areas of our lives. During lishment make a rule that this pandemic we have lost a person must wear shoes some of the abilities to do things we enjoy doing dining out, going to school and church, gathering for concerts, graduations, weddings and parties, and just ers when laws were passed visiting with our neighbors and friends.

Some people, howevtimes the laws that have

beginning with protect us all - in particu- try, there are many resources lar the most vulnerable of ary War, through our population. They want, many conflicts and sometimes demand, the "freedom" to not take precautions such as sorent conflicts in cial distancing, wearing a mask, using sanitizers, and even self-isolating if necessary. They believe that their "freedom" should be "free" to do as they wish.

However, do some people have the right to blow cigarette smoke into another person's face – thereby causing that person to in-So, I was thinking of hale secondhand smoke? I think not.

Can a business estaband a shirt in order to dine or shop in their store? Of course they can.

And I do recall the concerns of many business owna few years ago preventing smoking in public buildings; they were concerned they would lose customers. As far as I can see, people still dine out, shop, go to movies, etc. even though they are not allowed to smoke there. Additionally, people who were upset that they could not smoke in public establishments seemed to soon get over it. (For more information on what Americans have done to sacrifice *physician for any issues you* through our World Wars and difficult times in this coun- tion or fitness activity.

available.)

Do we want freedom from the coronavirus? Of course! Are we willing to give up some "freedoms" for this outcome? I hope for the sake of our country that we can make a plan to at least use common sense.

Of course we need to open businesses. Of course kids need to get back to school. Of course our economy needs people to have the confidence to shop and leave their homes.

How about we just do population Purdue the right thing for our health and for our prosperity? Practice social distancing! Wear the mask when you are in a public place or interacting with others! Wash and sanitize your hands! This is really not rocket science, but it IS science.

Thank you military heroes, thank you health care heroes, and thank you to everyone who takes responsibility for doing your well.

Sharon McMahon, CNWC FlexAbility4u@aol.com

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By DEMIE JOHNSON WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Purdue University President Mitch Daniels defended the decision to resume in-person classes for the fall semester in an op-ed in the Washington Post.

In the article, Daniels said 45,000 young people, which is the biggest student has ever had, said they want to be on campus this fall. Daniels goes

on to say "to tell them, 'Sorry, we

are too incompetent or too fearful to figure out how to protect your elders, so you have to disrupt your education,' would be a gross disservice to them and a default of our responsibility."

Daniels writes he underpart in this pandemic. Be stands how dangerous the virus is for certain populations but if you're running a university the science tells a different story.

> He said assuming the United States eventually reaches 150,000 total fatalities, COVID-19 as a risk to the young will rank way below accidents, cancer, heart disease and suicide.

According to Daniels,

reopen campus in fall the past eight weeks have been spent planning how things will be run from now

on. The goal is to make campus less dense. At least onethird of staff will be required to work remotely. Seven hundred classrooms and labs





and 9,500 dorms will be re-designed based on social distancing guidelines. Classes will also have lower occupancy limits and large enrollment courses will be offered online as well as in-person.

Daniels said students will have to take more responsibility for their own actions.

Each will receive a kit with a face mask, a thermometer and a pledge asking them to commit to a semester of inconvenience.

Daniels said this is not primarily for the student's protection but for those who teach and serve them. Come fall, the plan is for Purdue to be a quiet place of learning. All social events will be canceled.

Daniels said two-thirds of the more than 700 colleges surveyed by the Chronicle of Higher Education plan to reopen in the fall.



TOTOW HE REPORTER

What's new for 2020?

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)
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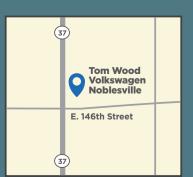


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Letter to the Editor Noblesville voter calls attacks against Spartz "disgusting"

Dear Editor:

Attacks on Victoria Spartz from Carl Brizzi, Beth Henderson and fake news reporters are disgusting. Victoria Spartz has spent decades in Indiana running businesses, raising a family, and serving our community.

Brizzi and others smearing her as tied to Russian oligarchs (showing their own ignorance since Spartz was born in Ukraine) and attacking her for putting her own hard-earned money behind the campaign so as not to be beholden to wealthy donors and special interests.

No wonder good people don't step up to run for office and we are left with shady characters like Carl Brizzi running our country and exploiting their offices to enrich themselves.

I think it is so admirable that Victoria Spartz recognizes the gift she's be given in the United States and wants to give back and better our nation for the next generation.

The question is further raised as to where did Brizzi and Henderson get the money for their campaigns? They both seem to be spending freely, so to whom are they beholden?

Jim Alerding Noblesville



Hamilton County Council. Sue Maki is the ONLY candidate from Carmel running and we need #Carmel representation on the council.

ers vou will ever know. At nearly every community event, I see her (2001-present), annual awards comworking hard and volunteering and giving back to her community. She has a passion for public service and takes her positions seriously and will research the issues. Sue will seek input from the community on all of the issues and be 100 percent prepared for every meeting. She has lived in (2004-07)

Please vote for Sue Maki for

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Carmel for over 30 years and again is the ONLY person from Carmel run- president (2000-01) ning!!

Carmel voter says Maki's

candidacy is "refreshing"

ties include:

Sue is one of the hardest work- val board (2018-present)

 OneZone Commerce member mittee member (2012-18) and chair (2016-18)

• Rotary Club of Carmel (2000-present), president (2009-10) · Carmel Clay Schools Expedi-

tion Program graduate (2015)

Carmel High School PTO board

· Carmel Middle School PTO

Her dedication and hard work Some of Sue's volunteer activi- are well-known by the leaders of our community. Her candidacy is also · Carmel International Arts Festi- endorsed by the Hamilton County Professional Firefighters Local 4416.

Many of us get frustrated with politics, especially when we see the same long-term politicians running for multiple things. It is refreshing to see someone like Sue who is running for the right reasons and whose only goal is to serve the people. We need more people like that in office.

Denise Moe Carmel

Letter to the Editor-

Noblesville voter: Kim Good "best person" to manage county's finances

Dear Editor,

In regard to the Election of 2020, may I ask you a question?

In Hamilton County, Indiana, do you want an intelligent, fiscally responsible, professional, experi-

integrity-filled, heart-of-pure-gold person to manage the finances for person for the Hamilton County Treasurer?

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I have known her for over 16 enced, responsible, reliable, honest, years, and I know she is the best

our county. A vote for KIM GOOD for Treasurer is a vote for fairness, sincerity and justice!

Thank you! **Cheryl Hobson** Noblesville

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Meeting Notices

The City of Noblesville Council Wastewater Committee will meet at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020, in the Training Room at the Wastewater Utility, 197 W. Washington St., Noblesville.

The Sheridan Plan Commission will meet at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, 2020, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th St., Sheridan.

The Sheridan Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2020, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th St., Sheridan.

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Charles Michael Burkhardt October 27, 1953 – May 9, 2020

Charles Michael Burkhardt, 66, Yukon, Okla., and formerly of Cicero, passed away May 9, 2020 in Oklahoma. He was born October 27, 1953 to Charles

Richard and Elizabeth (Heinzman) Burkhardt. He was a graduate of Hamilton Heights High School with the Class of 1971. He first obtained an Associate's Degree in computer

Class of 1971. He first obtained an Associate's Degree in computer programming in Oklahoma City, Okla. He then earned a BS Degree from Rose Hulman Institute of Technology specializing in chemical engineering. He also was a member and captain of Rose Hulman's track team.

Michael, as he was known, had worked for Enron Oil & Gas Company first designing vendor price comparisons for engineering

services and later assisted in the design of sections of production, accounting, and tracking systems for daily well data, and lastly designed a drilling report program. He also wrote a production report program for Oakland Oil Company and designed a database system for the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission.

His family attested that he was primarily a petroleum engineer, reservoir engineer for underground natural gas storage and involved in pipeline mapping. He wrote scientific computer programs for well performance evaluation using reservoir simulation programs to determine volume versus pressure curves, calculate gas reserves and retrograde condensate recovery. This process would aid in maintaining storage field deliverabilities by stimulation and acid cleanup programs.

Michael also taught computer programming courses and tutored students on programming, operations, as well as accounting courses at the college level. Additionally, he taught them on debugging programs and helped them to achieve an appropriate level of efficiency.

Survivors include his father, Charles Michael Burkhardt, Cicero; siblings, William Jay Burkhardt, John Frederick (Patty) Burkhardt, and Linda Beth (David) Kelly; nieces and nephews, Alyssa Burkhardt and husband Kanna Raghunathan, Krista Burkhardt and husband Mike Stoodley, Amanda Louise Kelly, Lara Katharine (Kelly) Prange and Matthew Prange, Zachary Adam Kelly, Alaina Faye (Kelly) Dorsey and Aaron Dorsey; plus great-nephews, Jasper Prange, Oliver Prange, Sebastian Dorsey and Elliott Dorsey.

His mother, Elizabeth Burkhardt preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034 where you may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com. Memorial services will be announced at a later date.

Cathern Louise Kerfoot April 2, 1923 – May 25, 2020

Cathern Louise Kerfoot, 97, Noblesville, and formerly of Arcadia, passed away May 25, 2020 at Harbour Manor in Noblesville.

She was born April 2, 1923 in Arcadia to Oscar and Ruth Ann (Deweese) Zetterberg. She married Daniel Brad Kerfoot on April 2, 1941 and together they raised a family that included Barry Nelson Kerfoot, Daniel Virgil Kerfoot, Larry Leon Kerfoot, Garry Eugene Kerfoot and a daughter, Nancy Louise Wicker. A daughter, Cathy Viola Kerfoot, passed away as a young child.

She enjoyed her role as a wife, mother and grandmother and looked forward to family gatherings. She also had worked for over 20 years as a nurse's aide at Tipton County Memorial Hospital, retiring in 1984.

She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Trinity Circle, Cicero Order of Eastern Star, Noblesville Senior Citizens Organization, Hi-Neighbor Home Economics Club, and served as a volunteer for Senior Services of Noblesville.

Surviving her is a daughter, Nancy Louise Wicker, Carmel, Larry Leon Kerfoot, Anderson, Garry Eugene Kerfoot, Indianapolis; 11 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; a daughter-in-law, Mickie Kerfoot of Texas; and a sister-in-law, Leona Zetterberg, Arcadia.

Preceding her in death in addition to her parents, her husband, and her daughter, are sons, Barry Nelson Kerfoot and Daniel Virgil Kerfoot.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel, where you may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

Due to restrictions as a result of the pandemic there will be a private visitation and services. Public graveside rites will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2020 at Arcadia Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Senior Citizens of Hamilton County, 18336 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46030.



208 West Main Street Arcadia, Indiana 46030. Applications will be accepted at the Clerk's Office until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2020.

> Online application available at: https://tinyurl.com/y86wtbse



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cense. Resumes submitted without an application will not be considered.

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Obituaries

Sherry Ann Clymer February 28, 1945 – May 20, 2020

Sherry Ann Clymer, 75, Noblesville, went to be with



the Lord on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 surrounded by family at her home. Sherry was born on February 28, 1945 to Woodrow and Elmarine (O'Neal) Short in Indianapolis. She grew up in Indianapolis with four sisters and six brothers whom she loved deeply.

Sherry married the love of her life, Arnold (Gene) Clymer, on August 17, 1963, and together they raised seven

children. She created so many wonderful memories with her children during the holidays and vacations. Her favorite vacation spot was Destin, Fla. She was happiest when spending time with her family and loved ones. Sherry cherished the time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and they loved their Grandma/Meemoo.

Sherry was an amazing woman who held firm to her beliefs and no one was going to change her mind. She loved going to church and was currently attending River of Life Fishers Church. Sherry loved listening to music and had many talents which included playing the organ, sewing, knitting, and cooking, but what made her so special was the gift of nurturing and loving children. She was quite the collector of dolls, cookbooks, and mystery books and movies.

She is survived by her children, Linda Clymer, Gary Clymer, Rebecca (Jon) Hewitt, David (Julie) Clymer and Kathy (John) Simmons; 18 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; four sisters; and five brothers.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Arnold Clymer, Sr.; sons, Arnold Clymer, Jr. and Jeff Clymer; and brother, Edward Short.

Sherry will be deeply missed by all her family and friends, and left behind a legacy of loving memories and wisdom that will be cherished by all.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday May 29, 2020 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday May, 30 2020 at the United Pentecostal Church of Noblesville, 1516 Morton St., Noblesville. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

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Marian J. Kurty June 17, 1932 - May 26, 2020

Marian J. Kurty, 87, Noblesville, passed away on Tues-

day, May 26, 2020 at Community Hospital North in Indianapolis. She was born on June 17, 1932 to Sevric and Helena (McGowan) Johnson in Chicago.

Marian was a homemaker and a real estate agent for Sweeney Reality. She was a member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Noblesville and a member of Home Extension of

Hamilton County. In her younger days, Marian loved traveling. She was a great cook and loved to paint.

She is survived by her husband of 69 years, George A. Kurty; sister, Norma Christiansen; daughter, Deborah (Steve) McDonald; granddaughter, Laurie (Steve) Mottl; grandson, Brandon (Renee) McDonald; and great-grandsons, Steven Mottl, Camden Mottl and Xavier McDonald.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister and brother-in-law, Frances and Fred Anger; and daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Jim Lechner.

Private family services will be held. Entombment will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Martha C. Hudler October 27, 1931 – May 25, 2020

Martha C. Hudler, 88, Noblesville, passed away on

Monday, May 25, 2020 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. She was born on October 27, 1931 to William and Hazel (Fisher) Alexander in Sheridan.

For 47 years, Martha owned Hudler Press Inc. and the Noblesville Times, retiring in 1999. She was a former member of First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville. Martha loved

her grandchildren and spoiled them endlessly. She was known for her love of having and going to garage sales. Martha was always the favorite at family gatherings when she brought her famous chicken and noodles.

She is survived by her daughter, Jacqueline (John) Towle; grandchildren, John (Caitlin) Towle and Justin (Carrington) Towle; sisters, Louella Sampson and Virginia (Herschel) Lewis; and brother, Larry (June) Alexander.

In addition to her parents, Martha was preceded in death by her husband, L. Reid Hudler, as well as several brothers and sisters.

Private family services will be held at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674; or Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, he divided their land to them by lot. And after that he gave unto them judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet.

Acts 13:19-20 (KJV)

Hilda Irene (Hersberger) Flanders April 26, 1929 – May 23, 2020

Hilda Irene (Hersberger) Flanders passed away on Sat-



urday, May 23, 2020 at her home. She was born on April 26, 1929 to Bernard and Miriam Mae (Michaels) Hersberger in Noblesville.

Irene was a dedicated farmer's wife and was a member of Prairie Baptist Church. She attended Harbour Shores Church in her later years. Irene was a 1947 graduate of Walnut Grove. She graduated from Apex

Beauty School and was the owner and operator of Country Side Beauty Salon for many years. She loved entertaining, traveling with friends, wintering in Florida, spending time with family, and spending Tuesday nights at Jim Dandy.

Irene is survived by daughters, Debbie (John) Leonard and Deanna (Rob) Versprille; five grandchildren, John (Deanna) Leonard, Joshua (Julie) Leonard, Jordan (Jessica) Leonard, Vanessa (Matt) Emery and Dylan Versprille; 12 great-grandchildren; as well as several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of almost 69 years, Robert Eugene Flanders; her brother, Leslie Hersberger; and five sisters, Maxine Thompson, Lenora Riggs, Leona Stoner, Betty Hill and Bonnie Morris.

A private graveside service with burial will be held for immediate family at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes has been entrusted with Irene's care. A public celebration of life is planned for a later date.

The family would like to thank Dr. Tom Miller and Irene's part-time caregiver, Quenda Tolliver. They would also like to extend heartfelt gratitude to Lou Montgomery, who provided Irene with friendship, love and around-theclock care during the last four years.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shriner's Hospitals for Children, P.O. Box 1525, Ranson, WV 35438 (donate.lovetotherescue.org); or Harbour Shores Church Missions, 8011 E. 216th St., Cicero, IN 46034.

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Inaugural event taking place at Crooked Stick . . . **County golfers among first competitors** at Dye National Junior Invitational

By RICHIE HALL

Pete and Alice Dye National Junior Invitational began Tuesday at the most appropriate location round, with two birdies. there is: Crooked Stick Golf Club in Carmel.

ated the tournament to honor the legacy of the famed golf course designers, who opened Crooked Stick in 1964. The club has gotten international recognition diana University this fall. after hosting major professional and amateur championships. come out here and hit it around Competitors played 36 holes of golf on Tuesday and will finish this morning with an 18-hole it," said Merchent. round that will determine the champions.

napolis 500, 33 boys and 33 girls, all among the top juniors in the country, were invited to play, signifying the number of cars that start the race. Hamilton County has several players in the mix, with five boys and three girls in the field.

is part of a crowd that sits on hitting in the rough out here is top of the boys division leader- difficult." board. Carmel's Drew Wrightson, who just finished his junior itive round of golf in March, year at Brebeuf Jesuit and is at the Dustin Johnson World committed to Baylor University, is one of five players that are Myrtle Beach, S.C. But he was tied for first place. Wrightson and the others all finished the first 36 holes even at 144.

72 in his first round, which in-CARMEL - The inaugural cluded an eagle on the 11th hole and three birdies. Merchent then carded a 77 in the second

Merchent hadn't played an event since Christmas break, as The club's membership cre- he was recovering from a broken foot.

> "First round was good, second round a little sketchy," said Merchent, who will play for In-

> "I think tomorrow, if I can decent, I think there's a good chance we can make a run for

Right behind Merchent is Luke Prall, a Carmel senior In a tribute to the India- who will play for Purdue University. Prall is in eighth place with a 150; he carded a 76 for his first round, but improved two shots in his second round for a 74. Prall made two birdies in both of his rounds.

"I hit the ball pretty good," said Prall. "Driver's about the One of those county players only thing that cost me, because

Prall last played a compet-



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

that included four birdies. He wasn't too bad." shot a 74 for his second round, again making four birdies.

division include John Daly Jr., PGA Championship in 1991 at Crooked Stick. Daly, from Clearwater, Fla., and Michael made two-under par 70s in their second round to move into the five-way tie for the lead. Louisville's John Marshall Butler and second round. Drew Salyers of Howard, Ohio are also part of the tie.

Junior Golf Championship in able to adjust back to competition well.

"It was easier than I Wrightson held the lead af- thought," said Prall. "I thought I ter the first round, carding a was going to be nervous on the two-under par 70 with a round first tee, or on the green, but I

Noblesville's Nels Surtani, a Park Tudor senior also headed The five leaders in the boys to Purdue, carded a 77-82=159 for his first 36 holes, making son of John Daly, who won the two birdies in the first round and another birdie in the second round.

Clay Stirsman, a Carmel Brennan of Leesburg, Va. both senior committed to Wake Forest, finished with a 78-84=162. Stirsman had one birdie in the first round and three more in the

In the girls division, Jocelyn Bruch, a Westfield senior head-Two more county players ed to Purdue, is part of a threeare in the top 10 after 36 holes. way tie for seventh place with Noblesville's Clay Merchent is a score of 150. Bruch shot a 76 currently seventh with a total of for her first round and a 74 for 149. Merchent shot an even-par the second round, making three

Carmel's Katie Kuc is one of eight Hamilton County players competing in the Pete and Alice Dye National Junior Invitational. Kuc is shown here with her father Dave Kuc, who is her caddy for the event.

birdies in each round.

Carmel's Angelica Pfefferkorn, a Guerin Catholic senior who has committed to Oklahoma State, scored an 84-82=166. Pfefferkorn made one birdie in the first round and two in her second round.

Katie Kuc, a Carmel junior headed to Xavier University, finished with an 87-81=168. Kuc made one birdie in each round.

Today's third round begins at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start off the first and 10th holes. Bruch will be the first county player to start off the first tee at 8:50 a.m., with Merchent and Prall both in the 9 a.m. group off No. 1. Wrightson's group begins play at 9:20 a.m.

Meanwhile, off the 10th tee, Pfefferkorn and Kuc will begin at 8:20 a.m., followed by Stirsman at 8:30 a.m., and Surtani starting at 8:50 a.m.



Noblesville's Clay Merchent is in seventh place in the boys division after the first two rounds.



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10 Sports Sophomore already committed to University of Cincinnati . . . Westfield pitcher turns basement into makeshift training center

By CHARLIE CLIFFORD ŴISH-TV

The last week of May typically marks the first pitch for high school playoff baseball across Indiana.

Not this season.

The coronavirus pandemic wiped out the Indiana High School Athletic Association baseball season, but not all players around the state are taking this spring off.

Gage Stanifer is Westfield High School's future ace.

Stanifer is 16 years old, a righthander on the mound, already firing his fastball in at 88 miles per hour.

His changeup? Stanifer found a way to bring it into his family's basement once baseball shut down.

"He just said, 'Hey listen, if I do the work, will you get a dumpster?" Gage's father Butch Stanifer said. "He did it, all of the weights back here that you see, he moved them on his own. He took them apart, drug them over, I came down here and it is done."

Stanifer is a sophomore at Westfield and is committed to play college ball at the University of Cincinnati.

That's a great spot to be in considering how rough this spring turned out for Indiana's class of 2020 prospects.

"My son is actually a senior, that was the toughest one, we lost a lot of laughs out on the diamond this year that we were looking forward to," Westfield Head Baseball Coach Ryan Bunnell said. "We really thought we could go down to Victory Field and win it all."

IHSAA baseball is officially ruled out



Photo courtesy WISH-TV

Westfield sophomore Gage Stanifer, a University of Cincinnati commit, has kept himself in pitching shape during the coronavirus pandemic that canceled the IHSAA baseball season. Stanifer put together a makeshift training center in his basement, allowing him to practice his 88 mph fastball.

to rent out the Stanifer's baseball garage? ably think about that (laughs)."

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