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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy, with periods of showers, and some thunder possible.
Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy, with scattered showers and storms.



HIGH: 81 LOW: 70

Meating the Need together

Friends of The Reporter help Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank

The REPORTER

Several weeks ago, owners of The Reporter decided to bring back the tradition of printing comprehensive 4-H results in a special publication that will be filled with an abundance of color photos of 4-H kids and their projects.

Then, when Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank (HCHFB) Director Anita Hagen asked for help raising fund for the annual "Meating The Need" program, things got really interesting.

"After I spoke with Anita, I asked the other owners about donating a percentage of our advertising revenue to Meating the Need, and of course they all jumped at the chance," Reporter Publisher Stu Clampitt said. "When we spoke to community leaders and business owners about it, the response was overwhelming."

On Saturday, July 16, The Reporter presented a check to HCHFB to help feed families in need in Hamilton County. It was the largest single donation check the program has ever received.

"This is one of the biggest community wide projects Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank leads each year and we are so proud of the 4-H families, donors, volunteers, and



Reporter photo by Stu Clampitt
Newspaper Owner Ray Adler hands a donation check to Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank Director Anita Hagen while Lloyd Long and one of his cows pose for The Reporter's camera.

community spirit that make it all possible," Hagen told The Reporter. "Thank you again so very much for your extra effort in helping us with our Meating the Need donations this year! This additional \$3,000 will be

just phenomenal in helping to provide protein to the 24 pantries who will receive the meat this year."

Reporter Owner Ray Adler said the newspaper is just doing what it should.

"This is exactly what newspapers are supposed to do," Adler said. "Don't thank us. Thank everyone who said yes when we asked them to pitch in."

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That moment changed everything

Have you ever had a moment in time that defines how your life moves forward?

I stood there holding the harvest gold attached-to-the-wall phone. What I had just heard had such an emotional impact on me that I not only felt my heart crack but also heard it break. My heart would never be the same. I still remember the words she spoke after all these years . . . twenty-eight years.

I've come to realize that much of my life is defined by before and after. I'm not meaning before marriage and after kids and before the pandemic and, well . . . will there ever be an "after" pandemic?

I'm talking about a major crisis, a shattering of dreams, a medical diagnosis or a slammed-shut door. Can you relate?

I've had the phone call that made me question my being a good mother. I've taken the envelope out of the mailbox and upon opening it, finding my suspicions were confirmed. I've had a conversation telling me I was but an option in a relationship I had made a priority.

The phone call, all those years ago, would lead to what I call my chronic "thorn in the flesh" condition.

In the New Testament, Paul talks about his thorn in the flesh. Paul does not specifically speak about what it is from which he suffers. (Nor will I.) He does say he asked God three times to take it away from him. I might have asked God a few more than three times.

God told Paul, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in your weakness." 2 Corinthians 12:6-7. NIV

Paul is said to delight in his weakness. I struggle with my thorn, and I struggle to delight in my weakness. My thorn keeps me humble and needing God to give me both wisdom and the strength to endure. It's very private and it keeps the crack in my heart hurting.

Truth is that my thorn may always be there.

I can listen for the voice of God to tell me He will never leave me nor forsake me, or I can listen to the voice of the enemy telling me, "I'll get you, my pretty." (Doesn't *The Wizard of Oz* have the best quotes?)

God is good even when the thorns in my life never leave me. In every "during and after" God has brought people into my life who speak to me in ways that give me hope and love. There will always be hope and love in dealing with my thorn.

I simply bring my thorn to the throne of God and leave it there. And then it raises up and I feel its sharp prick. I will keep laying it at the throne of God, possibly, until the day I die.

The harvest gold attached-to-the-wall phone is no longer there, but the voice on the other end echoes to this very day.

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From the Hart

4-H Fair Saturday Snapshots

Behind-the-scenes look at who makes everything tick . . .



Reporter photos by Stu Clampitt
(Above left) Kris Grinstead, Bernie Huber, Georgia Marshall, and Lyneen Burrow keep things under control at the 4-H Extension Office. (Above right) Hamilton County's own media mogul Jim Wafford keeps a watchful eye on all fair festivities from his tricked-out Hamilton County Television Van. (Below left) Deputy Jeremiah Wilck, Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush, Chief Deputy Major John Lowes, Deputy & P.I.O. Bryan Melton, and Marty Braley of the Sheriff's Citizens Academy were kind enough to take a moment to pose for The Reporter's camera. (Below right) Bob's Bumpy Barrels were a huge hit with all the kids. What a great way to get around and see the fair!



Noblesville Schools unveils Duke Energy Community Room

The REPORTER

Noblesville Schools on Friday announced the naming of the Duke Energy Community Room, located in the new Noblesville Schools Community Center.

Duke Energy is supporting the 7,500 square-foot multi-purpose room, and the school and community members it serves, through a \$22,500 investment over the next three years.

The space, designed for community meetings, practices and receptions, is equipped with hard surface flooring, technology, and high ceilings that can be used as one open space or separated for multiple groups. The room also opens directly into Noblesville High School's new Beaver Stadium.

"Powering the vitality

of our communities is at the heart of our work at Duke Energy," Duke Energy Government and Community Relations Manager Mark LaBarr said. "We're proud to support this state-of-the-art community center for Noblesville Schools, which will serve as a gathering place for school activities, sports gatherings, classes and community events for years to come."

"These dollars provide a meaningful impact in support of students, and we are so thankful for our strong and long-standing partnership with Duke Energy," Noblesville Schools Director of Marketing and Communications Marnie Cooke added. "With the community scheduling more than 14,000 hours of programming every year in our facilities, we expect this room to



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools
(From left) Noblesville Schools Education Foundation Director Adriann Young, Noblesville Schools Board President Dr. Joe Forgey, Duke Energy Community Relations Liaison Dagny Zupin, and Duke Energy Government and Community Relations Manager Mark LaBarr.

be very popular."

Noblesville Schools offers several philanthropic and promotional opportu-

nities across a wide variety of price points in support of academics, athletics, performing arts and more.

Organizations interested in partnering with Noblesville Schools can contact Adriann Young in the Department

of Marketing and Communications at adriann_young@nobl.k12.in.us or (317) 773-3171.

What’s happening at the 4-H Fair?



Dani Robinson Homes Day

SUNDAY, JULY 17

Fairgrounds open 5 a.m. to midnight

Fair Office open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m.: All Exhibits and Displays Open for Viewing

4-H Commons Area

11 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Sheep Producers’ Barbecue
5 to 9 p.m.: Joint Producers’ Barbecue

Extension Homemakers’ Kitchen
7 to 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 4 to 8 p.m.
Today’s Special: Beef & Noodles

Extension Office Conference Room
2 p.m.: 4-H Council Meeting

Exhibition Center

10 a.m. to 8 p.m.: Extension Homemaker
Used Book Sale (Hall B)

11:30 a.m.: Check-in for 4-H Pocket Pets
Noon: 4-H Pocket Pet Show

ALL Pocket Pets must leave the fairgrounds immediately following judging.

4 p.m.: Check-in for 4-H Food Preparation, Food Preservation, and Microwave Champion Auction items
5 to 7 p.m.: 4-H Food & Microwave Champion Auction (Open for viewing of items at 4:30 p.m.)

East of Show Arena

1 p.m.: 4-H Lawn & Garden Tractor Contest

Centennial Pavilion

2 to 4 p.m.: Live Music to Stones Crossing

Horse Arena

10 a.m.: 4-H Horse & Pony Hunter Show (4-H Horse & Pony Jumper show to begin 30 minutes after Hunter Show)

Llama Barn

1 p.m.: Walk-A-Llama Games and Activities (public participation)

2:30 p.m.: Parents’ Llama Show

Outdoor Stage Area

Noon to 4 p.m.: Caravan Classes Kids Craft

Rabbit Tent

10 a.m.: Community Worship Service, sponsored by Victory Chapel Community Church

1 to 2 p.m.: Sign up for Youth Pedal Tractor Pull

2 p.m.: Youth Pedal Tractor Pull

5:30 p.m.: Registration for Pet Parade

6 p.m.: Pet Parade Sponsored by VIP Animal Care
ALL pets must leave the fairgrounds immediately following the parade.

ALL cats and dogs must have proof of current rabies certificate.

Show Arena

8 to 9 a.m.: Check-in for 4-H Sheep Wool

9:30 a.m.: Open Judging for 4-H Sheep Wool

10 a.m.: 4-H Sheep Show

4:30 p.m.: Youth Sheep Exhibition (Approximately 30 minutes following sheep show.)

Swine Barn

7 to 10 p.m.: Check-out for Swine Breeding Stock (All swine not going Direct or through 4-H Livestock Auction MUST check out.)

Tractor Pull Strip

5 p.m.: Antique Tractor Parade

7 p.m.: Farmer Olympics

Peterman Brothers Day

MONDAY, JULY 18

Fairgrounds open 5 a.m. to midnight

Fair Office open 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m.: All Exhibits and Displays Open for Viewing

4-H Commons Area

11 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Beef Producers’ Barbecue
5 to 9 p.m.: Joint Producers’ Barbecue

Extension Office Conference Room

2 p.m.: 4-H Council Meeting

Exhibition Center

10 a.m. to noon: Extension Homemaker
Used Book Sale (Hall B)

2 to 4 p.m.: Talent Show (Junior Division); Open for Public Participation; limited space available
3:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Talent Show (Senior Division); Open for Public Participation; limited space available

6 to 7 p.m.: Check-out for Extension Homemakers Food & Craft Items, and Extension Homemakers Flowers

Horse Arena

10 a.m.: 4-H Horse Versatility Show

Llama Barn

10 a.m.: 4-H Llama Youth Judging Class

Rabbit Tent

(West of O.V. Winks Building)

9 a.m.: Check-in: 4-H 1/16th Tractor Pull

9:30 a.m.: 4-H 1/16th Tractor Pull

Show Arena

9 a.m.: 4-H Beef Show

3 p.m.: 4-H Royal Showmanship, sponsored by Walker Hughes Insurance

7 p.m.: 4-H Supreme Showmanship (event will begin in Horse Arena), sponsored by First Farmers Bank & Trust

South Of Tractor Pull Strip

11 a.m.: Registration for Color Me Green Fun Run

11:30 a.m.: Color Me Green Fun Run, sponsored by Breathe Easy Hamilton County

1 p.m.: Check-in and Rocket Launch (You must pre-register during Aerospace check-in.)

TUESDAY, JULY 19

Fairgrounds open 5 a.m. to midnight

Fair Office open 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

4-H Exhibits closed today for check-out.

7 a.m. to noon: Non-sale Livestock Check-out

9 a.m.: 4-H Fairgrounds Clean Up

9 to 11 a.m.: 4-H & Mini 4-H projects released

5 to 7 p.m.: 4-H & Mini 4-H projects released

Extension Office Conference Room

2 p.m.: 4-H Council Meeting

4-H Commons Area

Noon: Family 4-H Picnic

4 to 9 p.m.: Joint Producers’ Barbecue

Show Arena

5:30 p.m.: 4-H Livestock Auction

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

9 a.m.: 4-H Fairgrounds Clean Up



MEATING

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Friends helping neighbors in need

The following friends and supporters of The Reporter all stepped up in impressive ways to help us not only bring back full 4-H results in print this year, but also made it possible to give Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank’s “Meating The Need” program their biggest single donation check ever. Thank you all for letting us once again be the little newspaper that could . . . and does!

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24,270 people in Hamilton County are food insecure, and 6,340 of them are children.

According to Hagen, the 24 pantries, all located in Hamilton County, who will receive fresh local hamburger and sausage from this year’s Meating the Need project are located in every area of the county, from Carmel to Atlanta, Fishers to Sheridan and all points in between. Each will receive approximately 200 pounds of local meat.

“Meating the Need serves as the prime example of what communities can accomplish when people work together to do good things,” Reporter Owner and Circulation Director Isaac Taylor said. “It’s yet another reason why Hamilton County is special, and The Reporter is proud to be a part of it all.”

“In 2022, over 33 donors have helped to fund this project,” Hagen said. “This does not include the donors who have contributed through The Hamilton Reporter. During the 4-H Fair I am reminded how farmers help feed the world, and how projects such as this can feed our neighbors.”

In the six previous years of Meating the Need, 22,611 pounds of meat, or the equivalent of over 90,444 protein requirements for a meal, have been distributed to food pantries in Hamilton County. Last year was a new record of 4,825 pounds of meat. With this year’s distribution they will surpass 100,000 portions of protein.

“One of the goals of our stewardship of the Reporter was to always give back to our community,” Reporter Owner and Hoosier Weather

Daddy Paul Poteet said. “We are helping directly with our contribution, and of course we help by writing the story of those ‘meating’ needs in Hamilton County.”

Hagen told The Reporter over 30 different 4-H members have participated in the Meating the Need program over the years, many of whom do so every year. Donations to this program will go towards the appraised market purchase price of the 4-H animals and to the 4-H members as they pursue their 4-H, education, and life goals.

“The Reporter is privileged to be able to support important programs like Meating the Need,” Taylor said. “We make good on our commitments to the people of this county precisely because of the sense of responsibility we share with countless other conscientious businesses and organizations.”

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry takes care of the processing costs of the Meating the Need every year and has done so since its beginning.

The Reporter wants to stress that the HCHFB donation check was not from the newspaper, but from the numerous individuals and businesses who gave their support to both bring 4-H results back to print, where they belong.

We think every 4-H kid deserves to have their name in the newspaper. Keep reading The Reporter for updates on those forthcoming 4-H results!

“Some days I really love this job,” Clappitt said. “I am deeply proud of this community for stepping up to help HCHFB and Hamilton County 4-H.”

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Carmel road construction updates

The REPORTER

Monon Greenway at Carter Green

The Monon Greenway trail in the City Center area is still closed for construction. This section was temporarily opened during CarmelFest for event traffic. However, due to ongoing construction and improvements underway, pedestrians and cyclists must stay out of the area for safety purposes.

Main Street at 1st Avenue NW

On Monday, July 18, expect a closure of Main Street (east/west travel) for one day while the stamped asphalt crosswalks are completed on Main Street. On Tuesday July 19, expect Veterans Way and 1st Avenue NW to close for one day while the stamped asphalt

crosswalks are completed (north/south travel).

1st Avenue NW Duke Transmission

This project will be substantially completed on or around July 25. Sidewalk completion will take place soon after. Due to supply chain issues and utility conflicts, the work in this area has been delayed from the originally scheduled completion date of mid-July.

Main Street roundabouts

Main Street continues its closure at Richland Avenue and Lexington Boulevard for construction of two roundabouts. Access to Carmel Christian Church and the educational buildings on the south side of Main Street will be maintained from the east side of the project

along Main Street with the majority of construction completed prior to the start of school in August.

Keystone bridge overlays

There will be full closures of the following bridges over Keystone Parkway. All closures are planned to begin Friday night, work through Sunday and open late Sunday or early Monday morning.

- Carmel Drive: Scheduled for weekend of July 16
- Smoky Row: Scheduled for weekend of July 23
- Main Street: Scheduled for weekend of Sept. 10

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- 116th Street: Scheduled for weekend of Sept. 17

There will be some concrete pavement patches on the southbound ramp from 116th Street to Keystone Parkway from Sept. 19 to 25. No closures are anticipated; the ramp will only be down to a single lane.

Keystone Parkway

Crews are in the process of sealing cracks on Keystone resulting in some lane restrictions for the remainder of July (weather dependent).



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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

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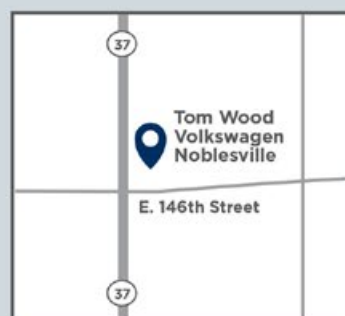
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— Good news from Stony Creek Church of Christ —

What does Jesus have to offer me? Why should I become His disciple?

Being a follower of Jesus will help you have confidence that God is helping provide for you in a special way because you are His child!

If you are not a faithful follower (disciple) of Jesus Christ, it is understandable that you might wonder why you should consider becoming one. If you have been born into the family of God but haven't been faithful to your commitment to the Lord, you might wonder why you should consider becoming a faithful disciple. After all, what does Jesus have to offer you? Would becoming His follower really make a difference in your life?

Being a follower of Jesus will help you find peace in the midst of turmoil!

It is true that God shows some blessings on all people regardless of their spiritual allegiance. He sends the rain and sunshine on the good as well as the



evil (Matthew 5:45). But there are greater blessings and promises given to those who are the faithful followers of God's Son, Jesus.

Rather than being troubled and anxious, Jesus calls upon

His followers to be calm and at peace. Why? Listen to His words: "Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?'" For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:31-33). Followers of Jesus, who place a priority on spiritual affairs, need not be anxious

about the basic necessities of life for God promises to provide for them.

On another occasion Jesus said, "Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him (Mat. 7:9-11). Would you like to have the Creator and Ruler of the universe looking after your needs? Then follow His Son, Jesus, wherever He leads.

Being a follower of Jesus will allow you to have access to God through the avenue of prayer.

The ears of God are open to those who are righteous and closed to those who are not His children (1 Peter 3:12). "For the eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous, and His ears attend to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil." Therefore, if you are not a follower of Jesus, then God does not hear your prayers.

We hope you will accept our offer to visit and investigate. We meet at 15530 Herriman Blvd. in Noblesville. We meet for Sunday morning Bible Study at 10 a.m. and have classes for all ages. Worship begins at 11 a.m. and we have a Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m. A warm welcome awaits!

There is no power or potency to the prayers of non-followers. Only the righteous followers of Jesus can talk with God about their problems, questions, and needs. What a sad thought to realize that God turns a deaf ear to one's prayers! How terribly lonely. How terribly sad.

Being a disciple of Jesus can make a huge difference in your life. If having a sense of peace in your life is important to you, then you should be a follower of Jesus. If receiving the richest blessings of God is important to you, then you should be a follower of Jesus. If having God hear and answer your prayers is important to you, then you should be a follower of Jesus.

Kroger Symphony on the Prairie to present John Williams' blockbusters

The REPORTER

Get ready for two nights of Hollywood's greatest soundtracks with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra (ISO) under the direction of Conductor Enrico Lopez-Yañez, featuring the music of John Williams and more. The orchestra will showcase music from *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial*, *Indiana Jones*, *Harry Potter*, *Star Wars*, and plenty of others that you know and love.

General admission lawn seats, reserved seating, tables, and seats in the Huntington Bank Sunset Lounge are available for purchase. [Click here](#) to buy tickets now.

The concerts will be held on Friday, July 22 and Saturday, July 23 at Conner Prairie, 13400 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Performances begin at 8 p.m. each evening. Gates open at 6 p.m. Proof of negative COVID-19 test or COVID-19 vaccine **will not** be required to attend. Masks are optional at Conner Prairie. For more information regarding the policies of Conner Prairie and to review the FAQ, please visit the [ISO website](#).

About Enrico Lopez-Yañez

Enrico Lopez-Yañez is the Principal Pops Conductor of the Nashville Symphony where he leads the Symphony's Pops Series and Family Series.

Lopez-Yañez is quickly establishing himself as one of the nation's leading conductors of popular music and becoming known for his unique style of audience engagement.

Also an active composer/arranger, Lopez-Yañez has been commissioned to write for the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra, Houston Symphony, San Diego Symphony and Omaha Symphony, and has had his works performed by orchestras including the Columbus Symphony, Detroit Symphony, Florida Orchestra, Ft. Worth Symphony, Rochester Philharmonic, Seattle Symphony, and Utah Symphony among others.

As a producer, composer, and arranger, Lopez-Yañez's work can be heard on numerous albums including the UNESCO benefit album *Action Moves People United* and children's music albums including *The Spaceship that Fell in My Backyard*, winner of the John Lennon Songwriting Contest, Hollywood Music and Media Awards, Family Choice Awards and Kokowanda Bay, winner of a Global Media Award as well as a Parents' Choice Award where Lopez-Yañez was lauded for his "catchy arrangements" (Parents' Choice Foundation).

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Do you want to be a Christian and a Christian alone?



As a country, state and county we will soon enter into another contentious political season. Are you a Democratic, Republican, Libertarian or unattached? To whom do you give your allegiance? What determines your political allegiance? Rest easy this is not a political ad nor is it intended to promote any party or candidate. I want us to think for a moment about what brings us to that conclusion.

When we consider our religious affiliation, what leads us to make that decision? This decision is far more significant than making a commitment to a political party or candidate. If God is who He says He is and Jesus is His Son, it behooves us to surrender and submit to Him and Him alone! God will not accept divided devotion and thus we would call on all men to worship Him and Him alone. Repeatedly in the Old Testament, we read of commands to worship Him and Him alone. Enshrined in the Law was the command to "worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God" (Exodus 34:14). Paul warned of the danger of provoking God to jealousy (1 Cor. 10:22).

Why not leave any commitment to a church founded by men, not provoke God to jealousy and seek to be a Christian and a Christian alone? Is that idea intriguing? Does it seem reasonable? Let's investigate that together.



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Weather is unpredictable ... Paul Poteet isn't. Your Hometown Weatherman!



Carmel’s Center for the Performing Arts opens applications for New Works arts commissions

Three proposals will receive support for June 2023 premiere performances

The REPORTER

Indiana-based artists and organizations are invited to submit proposals for New Works, an annual commission program now in its second year at the Center for the Performing Arts.

Three winning proposals will receive \$2,500 each in funding, along with rehearsal time and technical support, to premiere their works onstage during a special public event at the Center’s Palladium concert hall on June 10, 2023.

New Works is an initiative by the Center for the Performing Arts to promote and sustain local artists and arts communities in an inclusive way by supporting the creation of new works across all performing arts disciplines, including but not limited to music, theater and dance.

The core theme of the proposed works must align with one or more of the Cen-

ter’s organizational Core Values: Integrity, Excellence, Innovation, Collaboration and Inclusion. Artists of color, indigenous artists, artists in the LGBTQ+ community, artists with disabilities, and women artists are strongly encouraged to apply. There is no application fee.

The application deadline is Sept. 13. Awards will be announced in January 2023. Further details and application instructions are available at TheCenterPresents.org/NewWorks. Questions can be emailed to NewWorks@TheCenterPresents.org.

In its inaugural 2021-2022 season, New Works supported the development of three performance works: *Fly High*, a music and choreography piece by Monika Herzig and Zackary Herzig with Peter Kienle; *A Place in Time*, a contemporary ballet piece by Nicholas A. Ow-



Photo provided
A Place in Time featuring Kenyettá Dance Company was one of the winning proposals in the 2021-22 inaugural round of New Works commissions at the Center for the Performing Arts.

ens and Lalah Ayan Hazelwood with Kenyettá Dance Company; and “Women’s Work, a short play by Cal-lie Burk-Hartz and Alicia LaMagdeleine with Betty Rage Productions. Video of the performances, which premiered June 4 at the Center’s Tarkington theater, is viewable on [the Center’s YouTube channel](#).

Fishers road construction updates, week of July 18

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State Road 37 & 146th Street

All left-turn lanes are currently restricted on SR 37 and on 146th Street with traffic moved to the interior lanes. Thru traffic and right turns on SR 37 and 146th Street will remain open. Drivers are encouraged to seek alternate routes for all left-turn access. View an alternate route map [here](#).

On Tuesday, July 19 and Wednesday, July 20 there will be single lane restrictions on SR 37 to put traffic onto the newly constructed SR 37 pavement. Access to 146th Street will still remain the same with no left turns.

State Road 37 & 131st/135th Streets

135th Street east of SR 37 is currently closed as work progresses on the project. SR 37 will remain open both northbound and southbound and allow right in/right out access at 131st Street. View the detour map [here](#).

On Wednesday, July 20 and Thursday, July 21 between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m., there will be single-lane restrictions on SR 37 to mill and resurface the median lane between 126th Street and 131st Street.

Please drive with caution through these areas. To learn more about the State Road 37 Improvement Project and sign up to receive text updates, visit 37Thrives.com.

Technology Drive (Northeast Commerce Park)

The inside lane of Technology Drive is currently closed to traffic to allow for construction of new pavement in the inside lane. One-way traffic will be in place in the outside lane as shown [here](#). Access to all businesses will be maintained during the construction.

Southeastern Parkway & Cyntheanne Road

The intersection at Southeastern Parkway and Cyntheanne Road is currently closed for roundabout construction and is anticipated to reopen by the end of July. View the detour map [here](#). Schoolhouse 7 Café will remain open for business during construction. View how to access their business [here](#).

Commercial Drive

On Monday, July 18, there will be lane restrictions on Commercial Drive,

just north of 116th Street, between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. for utility work.

Cumberland Road

During the week of July 18, road resurfacing work will be taking place on Cumberland Road between 126th and 131st streets. Flaggers will be in place.

Olio Road

Olio Road between Geist Reservoir and Haven Cove Lane, the first road south of the Geist Reservoir Bridge, may have daily lane restrictions for the reconfiguration and installation of access to Geist Waterfront Park and the Marina. These lane restrictions will occur between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The estimated completion date is Aug. 1.

116th Street

The outside eastbound lane of 116th Street, just after the Nickel Plate Trail bridge, will be restricted between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. through Friday, July 22 for work on the FIB building. Arrow boards will be in place.

Comcast will have daily lane restrictions in place on westbound 116th Street between Cameron Drive and Allisonville Road and northbound Allisonville Road between 116th Street to the Kroger signal for overhead work. Restrictions will be in place between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Resurfacing projects

ADA ramp and curb reconstruction has started taking place in Delaware Point and Overlook at Beaver Ridge as part of the 2022 Resurfacing Project. Homeowners will be notified via door hangers prior to any curb reconstruction near their home. After ADA ramp and curb reconstruction is completed, those areas will be restored with topsoil and seed. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to water the seed for the seed to germinate. Prior to road resurfacing, residents will be notified via street signage for street parking restrictions.

Development Dashboard

The Fishers Planning & Zoning Department has a new Development Dashboard where you can view all development projects that are under construction or in the process of being reviewed. Find it on the Planning & Zoning homepage [here](#).



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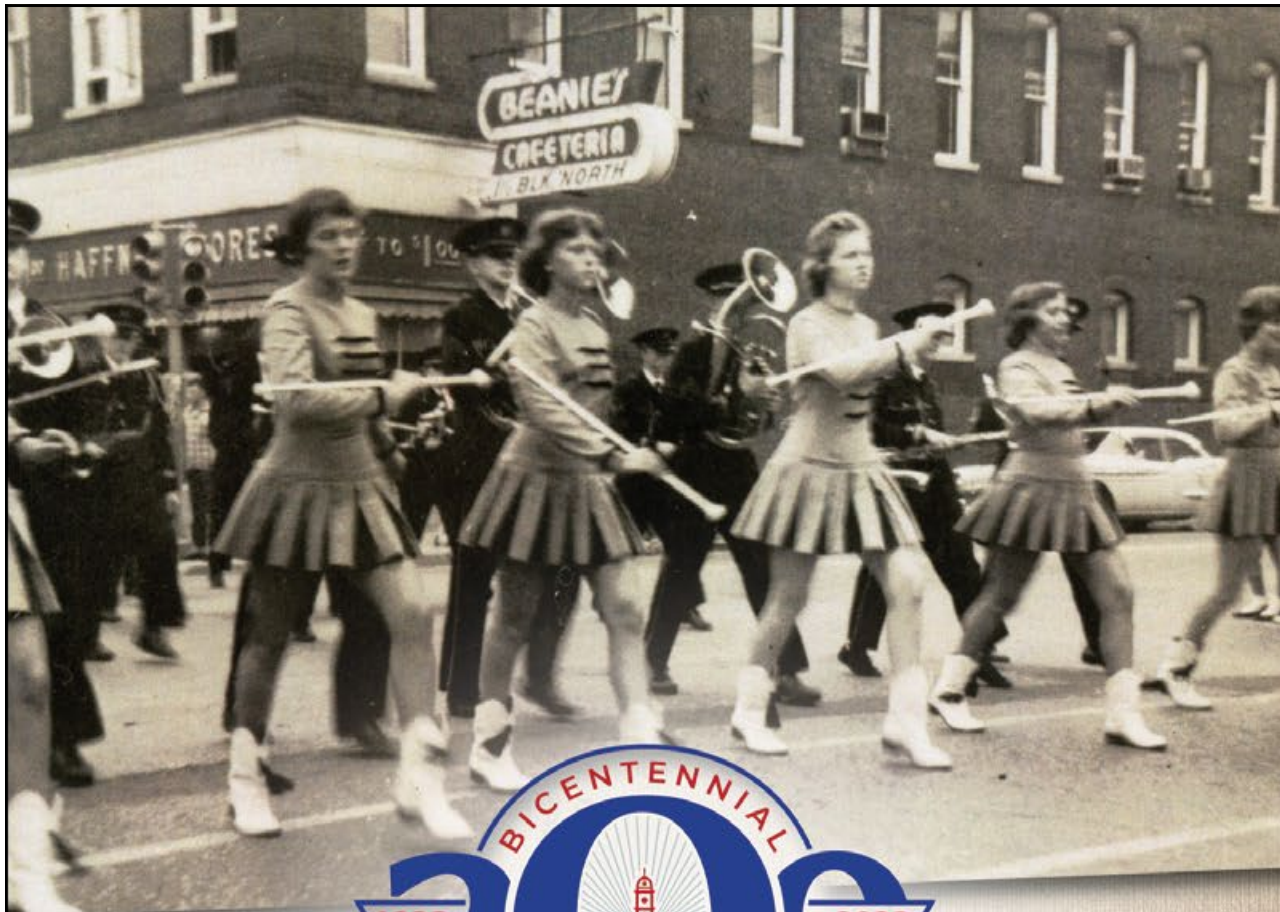
As you stepped into the beautifully renovated Mustard Seed Gardens venue, you were immediately welcomed by the sound of Dave Lowe Music filling the room. Handcrafted baskets for every interest lined the walls for the silent auction. The very popular wine pull and photo wall added some fun and whimsy to the evening.

Perhaps the most special highlight, however, was when Christy and Ben took center stage to share their stories. There were laughs, smiles and cheers as both shared how they have been able to reach their personal and vocational goals through Janus' programs and one-of-a-kind staff.

Those who attended Helping Lives Bloom will not soon forget it. Thank you to all who attended and contributed to making this evening a success.



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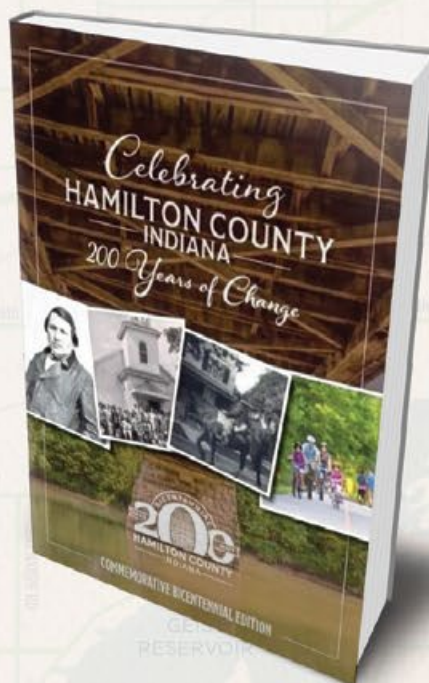
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Now more than ever: Women

Like many of you, I was transfixed by the series of decisions that came out of the Supreme Court of the United States earlier this summer. I watched alongside you as decades of work to clean up the air we breathe was eviscerated and women's right to make our own healthcare decisions went up in smoke. We watch in horror as our Attorney General Todd Rokita hops on TV to fabricate criminal suspicion of an Indiana physician who helped a 10-year-old Ohio girl, pregnant with her rapist's baby.

We watch together, gob-smacked at the sheer, about-face in policy that affects women's daily lives.

Now you might ask what the Secretary of State has to do with these decisions and the answer is everything. And that's exactly why I'm running to be Secretary of State – because our very democracy is in the balance. That's not hyperbole – because those who know me know that I don't have a flair for the dramatic. After all, I grew up on a farm in Morgan County, like seven generations before me, so my feet are firmly planted in a good parcel of Hoosier reality.

The fact is, women in America are facing a tough reality with the cost of child-care, gasoline, utility bills, groceries, and the cost of running a household continuing to increase day by day. On top of all that – our voices are marginalized, our autonomy is no longer our own, and the choices we make at the ballot box may further erode our ability to determine our destinies.

And this is why the down-ballot races this year will be a bigger deal than they've ever been before. Because women are paying attention. Women have the receipts. We have been keeping the receipts for every policy change, every roll call vote, every decision that's made

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DESTINY WELLS

in the bowels of our Statehouse in Indianapolis and the basement committee rooms in the U.S. Capitol – following the money on every little thing, from the biennial budget that's balanced on the backs of our kids, our low-income, and our disabled, to the supposed inflation relief that will leave out countless Hoosier seniors. Fact is, this upcoming election will be a bigger deal than ever before because women are watching like never before.

And for the first year, maybe ever, instead of intentionally excluding democracy, as we've seen through the years, Hoosier women hold the keys to a future that is inclusive of every American who believes in a robust system of elections. Women believe in the strength of our democracy, and I intend on fulfilling that call for change by becoming Indiana's next Secretary of State on Nov. 8.

Which brings me to the reason that there was simply no way I could sit idly by: I knew that this year's elections are in fact a referendum on elections themselves. And I immediately knew that I owed it to my kids to do everything I could to fight for our democracy here at home in the Secretary of State's office – especially since I am also fighting for our nation's democracy as a military intelligence officer in the U.S. Army Reserve. Indiana's elections are too important to our legacy as Hoosiers for me to not take up this fight.

After all, Indiana is 46th in the country in registered voter turnout. In 2020 when the stakes were existentially high, 1.6 million registered Indiana voters stayed home. Hoosiers must exercise agency in the democratic process by casting a vote, or risk losing democracy all together. The last thing Indiana needs is a Secretary of State who wants to reduce early voting hours, increase bureaucratic red tape at the ballot box, and unilaterally authorize a policy of election denial. Indiana is too good for that. And so are you, Hoosiers.

Destiny Wells is an eighth-generation Hoosier campaigning for Indiana Secretary of State. Destiny knows Hoosiers are counting on her to give democracy its rightful place in Indiana elections. Destiny is a wife, mom, combat veteran, attorney, and entrepreneur. She's a no-nonsense leader who won't shy away from a fight to protect our elections and preserve every Hoosier's democracy. Learn more at wellsforindiana.com.

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Life Church welcomes AG Todd Rokita for town hall



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Tuesday. Rokita
answered questions
from the community
ranging from abortion,
school choice, forced
government shutdowns,
to the political climate in
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No, Better Business Bureau did not send you a check

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Better Business Bureau (BBB) has received reports from consumers who received a check in the mail for \$2,950 with instructions on how to verify the authentication of the check. The envelope is labeled priority mail two-day and has a return address of BBB as well as other legitimate brands. Inside the envelope are fake checks written from various "businesses."

You can lose thousands of dollars if you deposit

the check and contact these scammers. This scammer is impersonating BBB and other legitimate brand names in an attempt to get you to open the package and take action.

According to the **BBB Scam Tracker Risk Report**, impersonation is a very common tactic used by scammers. Impostor scams come in all shapes and sizes with the same intent – to trick you out of your money and/or personal information.

Fake check scams

Fake checks are simply counterfeited checks, usually copies of business checks from real companies. Three financial documents are commonly involved in fake check fraud: regular checks, cashier's checks, and money orders. Some appear to be created in the U.S. and Canada, but many are shipped in from overseas and then sent to victims, as pointed out in BBB's investigative study;

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Sun King Brewery earns 10 awards at U.S. Open Beer Competition

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Sun King Brewery, one of the leaders of the independent craft beer movement in Indiana, is thrilled to have earned the title of **Grand National Champion** for the second time at the **U.S. Open Beer Competition**. The title goes to the brewery earning the most winning entries, and Sun King earned five gold, two silver and three bronze

medals. Breweries sent more than 9,000 brews representing over 150 styles of beer to be judged in a blind competition where the judges only know the categories being judged, not the beers or their breweries. “It is an incredible honor to win a single medal at the U.S. Open Beer Championship, and to be awarded Grand Champion

for the second time is just amazing,” said Dave Colt, co-founder and head brewer at Sun King. “This is a collaborative effort from each department. Whether it be choosing the ingredients, cellaring or quality control, our team works together and plans every aspect of each of our beers.” Sun King has won more than 50 national and international awards for its

unique craft beers since it began brewing more than 13 years ago, winning Grand National Champion at the U.S. Open Beer Competition in 2019, and ranks in the top five of the combined Great American Beer Festival and World Beer Cup medal recipients worldwide. Go to ReadTheReporter.com to see the full list of awards Sun King received.

New at Hamilton East Public Library

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Here are the new library items lists for the week of July 11:

New Adult Fiction Books

1. Horse, by Geraldine Brooks
2. The Hotel Nantucket, by Elin Hilderbrand
3. A face to die for, by Iris Johansen
4. Suspects, by Danielle Steel
5. Blotto, Twinks and the suspicious guests, by Simon Brett
6. Lady of bones, by Carolyn Haines
7. Trouble with the cursed, by Kim Harrison
8. Young Mungo, by Douglas Stuart
9. Pay dirt road, by Samantha Jayne Allen
10. Darling girl, by Liz Michalski

New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Fabulous modern cookies: lessons in better baking for next-generation treats, by Christopher A. Taylor
2. 12 notes: on life and creativity, by Quincy Jones
3. The joy choice: how to finally achieve lasting changes in eating and exercise, by Michelle Segar
4. Pandemic, Inc.: chasing the capitalists and thieves who got rich while we got sick, by David J. McSwane
5. Fodor’s the complete guide to Alaska cruises, by Teeka Ballas

6. Living fully: dare to step into your most vibrant life, by Mallory Ervin
7. Office 2021 all-in-one for dummies, by Peter Weverka
8. The brownie diaries: my recipes for happy times, heartbreak and everything in between, by Leah Hyslop
9. The puzzler: one man’s quest to solve the most baffling puzzles ever, from crosswords to jigsaws to the meaning of life, by A.J. Jacobs
10. True: the four season of Jackie Robinson, by Kostya Kennedy

New DVDs

1. The worst person in the world
2. Advice to love by
3. Father Stu
4. Umma
5. We need to do something
6. The Chelsea detective. Series 1
7. Mothering Sunday
8. Kin. Season 1
9. An American pickle
10. Margarita, with a straw

New Music CDs

1. Remade in misery, by Memphis May Fire
2. What are we waiting for?, by For King & Country
3. Buffalo Nichols, by Buffalo Nichols
4. Live: everybody’s talkin’, by Tedeschi Trucks Band
5. Keys, by Alicia Keys
6. NOW that’s what I call pride, by George Michael



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Don’t Cash That Check: BBB Study Shows How Fake Check Scams Bait Consumers.

Two things BBB wants you to know and tell your friends about fake check fraud:

1. Having the funds credited to a bank account does not mean the cashed check is valid. Federal banking rules require that when someone deposits a check into an account, the bank must make the funds available right away – within a day or two. But the bank also has the right to recover the money from the account holder if the check is counterfeit. It is only when the check is returned to the bank that supposedly issued the check that it is discovered to be bogus.
2. Cashier’s checks and postal money orders can be forged. A cashier’s check is a check guaranteed by a bank, drawn on the bank’s funds and signed by a cashier. Cashier’s checks are treated as guaranteed funds because the bank itself, rather than the individual account holder, is responsible for paying the amount of the check. Cashier’s checks are commonly required for real estate and brokerage transactions. If a person deposits a cashier’s check, the person’s bank must credit the account by at least \$5,000 the next day. The same is true for postal money orders.

What to do if you have deposited a fake check into your account

- Notify your bank and the bank that appears to have issued the check.

Where to report this scam

- Better Business Bureau at [BBB Scam Tracker](#)
- The Federal Trade Commission (FTC), or call 877-FTC-Help
- The Internet Crime Complaint Center, or IC3
- The U.S. Postal Inspection Service
- Western Union, 1-800-448-1492
- MoneyGram, 1-800-926-9400
- Green Dot, 1-866-795-7597

Victims who are seniors or other vulnerable adults may be able to obtain help through Adult Protective Services, which has offices in every state and many counties. Find a local office at [elderjustice.gov](#).

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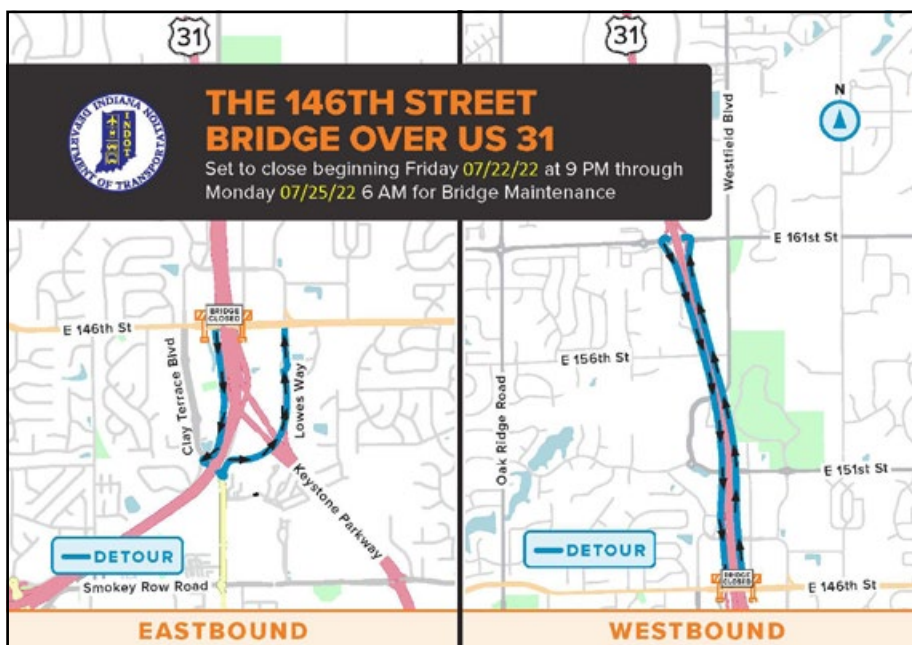
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146th Street/U.S. 31 bridge construction postponed



The planned construction for the 146th Street bridge over U.S. 31 has been postponed due to weather. This project is now planned to begin at 9 p.m. on Friday, July 22 and conclude by 6 a.m. on Monday, July 25.

Graphic provided

Noblesville Lions welcome Scott Baldwin to ranks



On Wednesday, the Noblesville Lions inducted Scott Baldwin as their newest member. (From left) Lion George Long, Sponsor; Scott Baldwin; Lion 1st Vice District Governor Julia Kozicki.

Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club

Senator Todd Young introduces bipartisan bill to counter economic coercion of U.S. allies

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U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.) and Chris Coons (D-Del.) on Wednesday introduced the Countering Economic Coercion Act of 2022 to provide what they call meaningful support to partners and allies facing economic pressure and retaliation from foreign adversaries.



Young

The bill equips the President with new tools to reduce the impact of economic coercion by strengthening trade and commerce ties with partners on an expedited basis. As some nations around the world continue to deploy punitive and discriminatory economic measures against American partners, particularly those with smaller economies, proponents say this legislation will ensure that shared economic and security interests are safeguarded from foreign threats.

“Some foreign adversaries think they can drive a wedge between Western allies by using economic intimidation or by harming economies through opaque, informal actions,” Sen. Young said. “These threats and grabs for power cannot go unchecked. Our bipartisan bill will provide the flexibility to help our foreign partners on an expedited basis when they are targeted for standing up to authoritarian regimes. By supporting our partners under threat, we protect America’s own national security

interests.”

The Countering Economic Coercion Act of 2022 would provide the President with specific tools to offer rapid economic support to foreign partners targeted by economic coercion, including authorities to:

- Decrease duties or modify quotas on imports from the foreign partner to make up for lost exports to other nations due to coercive actions;
- Expedite export licensing decisions and regulatory processes to facilitate trade;
- Seek appropriations to support foreign aid, export financing, and sovereign loan guarantees; and
- Waive certain policy requirements to facilitate export financing.

The bill directs the President to seek to coordinate the U.S. response with other allies to provide comprehensive economic relief and demonstrate broad resolve against economic coercion.

In determining whether economic coercion is taking place and deciding whether and how to support the targeted country, the President would be required to consult with Congress to ensure proper congressional oversight of any actions. Any determination of economic coercion – and any authorities exercised under a determination – would sunset after two years, or upon a joint resolution of Congress.

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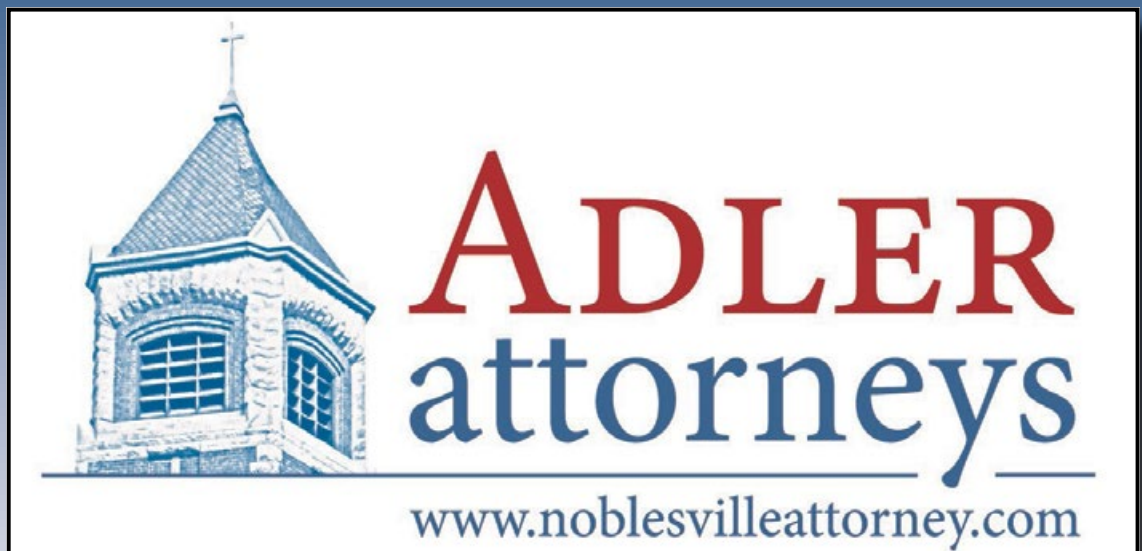
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TODAY’S BIBLE READING

See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.” The words “once more” indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our “God is a consuming fire.”

Hebrews 12:25-29 (NIV)

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Who was “Public Enemy #1”?

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This week in Indiana’s history ...

1902 – Jessamyn West was born in North Vernon. When she was six, her family moved to California, where she graduated from Whittier College. As a writer, her best-known book, *The Friendly Persuasion*, was based upon Quaker life in Jennings County during the Civil War. The book was made into a popular movie in 1956 which starred Gary Cooper, Dorothy McGuire, and Anthony Perkins.

1919 – The United States Army motor convoy arrived at Fort Wayne. The 60 vehicles were escorted into the city where the trucks were parked and inspected by the public. The transcontinental trip of the big convoy was one of the greatest publicity stunts attempted in the history of the country. Its purpose was to boost the good roads movement and



to stimulate recruiting. The convoy was to demonstrate the purpose of long-distance motor transportation.

1934 – John Dillinger was killed by FBI agents as he walked out of the Biograph Theater in Chicago. He was born in Indianapolis and later moved with his family to Mooresville. FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover declared Dillinger to be “Public Enemy #1” based on his role in numerous bank robberies and jail breaks.

1946 – The Indiana Bell phone company ran newspaper ads urging customers to “please use long distance sparingly.” Local distance

calls were at an all-time high. The company said there were just not enough facilities to take care of all calls properly. Although new switchboards were being added as quickly as possible, there were current shortages of the metals, textiles, rubber, and lumber that were required by the telephone equipment. Customers were advised to avoid calling long distance unless it was really necessary.

1966 – President Lyndon Johnson made two visits to the Hoosier State. In Indianapolis, he spoke at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument on the Circle. He then

traveled south to Vincennes and designated the George Rogers Clark Memorial a national park. “This is going to be a very beautiful park,” the President said, adding that “it will include the memorial to George Rogers Clark that the people of Indiana built, with federal help in the 1930s.” A walnut table used by Johnson was a special historical item used by former President William Henry Harrison during his term as territorial governor.

1968 – The singing group called The Jackson 5 left their home in Gary to go to Detroit to audition for Motown Records. They were signed by famed record producer Berry Gordy and within a year were gaining national attention. They had four consecutive number-one hits on the *Billboard* Hot 100 charts. They also had 16 Top 40 singles. As a group they sold more than 100 million records worldwide.

Families get moving for Bike Carmel event



Photo provided by City of Carmel

Thanks to everyone who came to Bike Carmel’s Family Fun Ride at Carmel Elementary on Saturday, July 9. The next Family Fun Ride is set for 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 13. Hope to see you there! Learn more at BikeCarmel.com.



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Former HSE High School Principal Janie Ulmer makes move to IHSAA

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Janie Ulmer has understood the importance of education-based athletics ever since she was a basketball player for La Porte High School.

Ulmer would go on to spend over two decades in teaching and administrative roles in La Porte Community Schools before coming down to Hamilton Southeastern Schools. She was the principal at HSE High School for the past two years.

On July 1, Ulmer began her tenure as an assistant commissioner for the IHSAA. Ulmer took over for Sandra Walter, who left to accept a position as athletic director at Franklin Central. Ulmer has been in her new role at the IHSAA for a little over two weeks now, learning about the role the IHSAA plays in its support for student-athletes.

"Lucky for me, the staff members at the IHSAA are knowledgeable, professional, and patient so I have been learning about the many resources available for schools, athletic directors, officials, and coaches as well as the many supports for our student athletes," said Ulmer. "Now that we are heading into the second part of July, my goal is travel around the state to meet and support our member schools."

Ulmer played varsity basketball for the Slicers and later served as an assistant coach for the team, in addition to holding a supporting role with La Porte's baseball team, a program that has won eight state championships.

"As a former student athlete, administrator, and mom, I have seen the impact that education-based athletics can have on kids, and I have also seen firsthand the positive culture that exists in schools that have a high rate of student participation in extra-curriculars," said Ulmer. "When I became aware that there was a position available at the IHSAA, I was intrigued with being able to work with schools to encourage student athlete participation and support that positive culture across the state. So, I took a chance and applied. I think my role as a principal has provided me with a unique perspective on how to support schools and communities and I am looking forward to the opportunity."

Ulmer graduated from Valparaiso University in 1989 and spent 19 years teaching mathematics at Kesling Middle School in



Janie Ulmer has been spending the month of July learning the ropes at the IHSAA, as she began her tenure as an IHSAA assistant commissioner on July 1. Ulmer is a long-time educator and worked at Hamilton Southeastern Schools from 2017 to 2022, including the past two years as HSE High School principal.

La Porte before becoming Director of Virtual Learning, an alternative high school within LPHS, from 2012 to 2017.

"As an educator and administrator, I have always viewed my role as one that provides information, resources, and support so that students and colleagues can be successful," said Ulmer. "I consider my role with the IHSAA to be the same. In this po-

sition, I hope to be a resource for coaches, athletic directors, officials, and the overall sports community so that we can provide a positive high school athletics experience for student athletes which is why we are all here – for the kids."

Once at HSE Schools, Ulmer was the Director of the Hamilton Southeastern Fishers Academy, an off-site alternative

education program she helped launch for Southeastern and Fishers high schools. She was the Director of HSEF for three years before accepting the Southeastern principal job in 2020.

"I am so grateful for the five years that I have the opportunity to serve Hamilton Southeastern Schools and the Fishers community. When hired in 2017 to create an alternative high school, I was challenged to create a learning environment that would meet the needs of students with unique challenges. Our district and building leaders were supportive of the interventions needed and it was so exciting to create options for students! Each and every day we were able to provide resources and supports to help students achieve in school and also in life."

"In 2020, I was hired to be the Principal of Hamilton Southeastern High School which happened to be at the beginning of the pandemic. It was a very challenging time to be the leader of a building of approximately 170 teachers, 100 support staff, and 3,500 students – especially when we began the year with students at home and learning virtually. As I worked with our faculty and staff to manage that year of virtual and hybrid instruction, I realized what I had seen since 2017 – HSE High School and HSE Schools are truly committed to student achievement. Our teachers are passionate about student learning and thus, are willing to do whatever it takes to help a student be successful. They needed and deserved a leader who was willing to show up and do whatever she could to support them and that was my goal."

Each IHSAA sport has an assistant commissioner that serves as a contact. At this time, Ulmer said she will be the contact person for soccer, "which is really exciting," she said.

But you can expect Ulmer to be at other sporting events as well. She attended the IHSAA boys golf state finals, and had good reason to do so: The Royals finished third in the state. Ulmer was with the team as the players received their state medals.

"As I reflect on my time with HSE, I am grateful for the leaders, colleagues, and members of the school community who partnered with me, challenged me, and helped me to grow," said Ulmer. "However, I am most grateful for all of the students that I had the honor to meet and support. Their tenacity, joy, curiosity, and grit astonished me every single day."

Herta becomes first double NTT P1 Award winner this season

The REPORTER

Colton Herta became the first two-time pole winner this season in the NTT INDYCAR SERIES, earning the NTT P1 Award for the Honda Indy Toronto on Saturday.

Herta's top time was 59.2698 seconds on his last flying lap in the No. 26 Gainbridge Honda, as he added this pole to his No. 1 spot at the Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach in April. The first nine races of this season featured a different pole winner, and Herta was happy to spoil a chance for the INDYCAR SERIES to tie a record of 10 different pole winners to start a season set in 1952.

"That was an intense session," Herta said. "We hadn't really found that time until right at the end. I was really happy with that lap. It all kind of came together. The car was working brilliantly. You don't see that usually, guys going faster on the used reds (alternate

Firestone tires) instead of the new. Something to think about for tomorrow, but I'm happy with my Gainbridge Honda."

The 85-lap race is scheduled for Sunday. Live, exclusive coverage of the race starts at 3 p.m. on Peacock Premium – with limited commercial interruptions – and the INDYCAR Radio Network. Both outlets also will cover live the morning warmup session at 10:55 a.m.

Six-time NTT INDYCAR SERIES champion Scott Dixon will join Herta – who also led the morning practice – on the front row after a best qualifying lap of 59.3592 in the No. 9 PNC Bank Chip Ganassi Racing Honda. It was the best non-oval qualifying performance this season for Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge pole winner Dixon, whose previous best road/street qualifying effort was fifth at the last race, The Honda Indy 200 at Mid-

Ohio Presented by the All-New 2023 Civic Type R on July 3 at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course.

Two-time series champion Josef Newgarden, who leads the series this season with three wins, qualified third at 59.5257 in the No. 2 Hitachi Team Penske Chevrolet. He will share Row 2 with Alexander Rossi, who qualified fourth at 59.5544 in the No. 27 NAPA AUTO PARTS/AutoNation Honda.

David Malukas was the top-qualifying rookie with a career-best starting spot of fifth after a lap of 59.6140 in the No. 18 HMD Honda. Scott McLaughlin rounded out the Firestone Fast Six at 59.9558 in the No. 3 XPEL Team Penske Chevrolet.

NTT P1 Award qualifying provided a mixed bag of results for contenders for the Astor Challenge Cup as series champion on the 11-



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turn, 1.786-mile temporary circuit on the streets of Exhibition Place in Canada's largest city.

Points leader and 2021 Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge winner Marcus Ericsson qualified ninth in the No. 8 Huski Chocolate Chip Ganassi Racing Honda.

Ericsson's closest pur-

suer, 2014 series champion Will Power, endured a third consecutive event with a frustrating qualifying result. He will start 16th in the No. 12 Verizon Team Penske Chevrolet after his final hot lap in the first qualifying session was halted when Kyle Kirkwood crashed his No. 14 Sexton Properties Chevrolet in Turn 8, trigger-

ing a red flag and ending the group's session.

Power has qualified 15th or lower in the last three road course races on the schedule yet has rallied to finish first and third in two of them, at Belle Isle and Mid-Ohio, respectively.

"I should know that you

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Hamilton County Reporter All-County Girls Tennis Team 2022

| Name | School | Grade |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Madelyn Barron | Fishers | Sophomore |
| Emma Beehler | Fishers | Sophomore |
| Thea Bertolini | Carmel | Senior |
| Emma Bieberich | HSE | Junior |
| Misha Briggs | Fishers | Freshman |
| Misha Bukkasagaram | HSE | Senior |
| Jennie Cachillo | Guerin Catholic | Senior |
| Bella Duncan | Noblesville | Freshman |
| Katie Geon | Guerin Catholic | Sophomore |
| Ali Griffin | Carmel | Junior |
| Lina Hamashuk | Noblesville | Sophomore |
| Kelly Igo | Guerin Catholic | Senior |
| Addi Kooi | Westfield | Freshman |
| Alexa Lewis | Carmel | Junior |
| Lauren Littell | Carmel | Senior |
| Ella Maiden | Hamilton Heights | Senior |
| Allie Maskew | Noblesville | Senior |
| Cassie Maurer | Fishers | Sophomore |
| Izzy Mokra | Fishers | Junior |
| Elyse Nelson | Carmel | Junior |
| Isabella Norris | Westfield | Sophomore |
| Caroline Ober | Fishers | Sophomore |
| Meredith Ober | Fishers | Sophomore |
| Emily Orme | HSE | Senior |
| Nora Perkins | Carmel | Sophomore |
| Alana Raymond | Westfield | Junior |
| Hallie Reeves | Carmel | Senior |
| Meghan Slaninka | HSE | Senior |

Players of the Year:
*Misha Bukkasagaram
& Emily Orme,
Hamilton Southeastern*



Richie Hall/File photo

The Hamilton County Reporter has selected Hamilton Southeastern seniors Misha Bukkasagaram and Emily Orme as its 2022 Girls Tennis Players of the Year. Bukkasagaram and Orme navigated their way through a tough schedule to reach the semi-finals of the IHSAA state doubles tournament. The Royals seniors won sectional and regional titles along the way, finishing with a 21-5 record.

Pacers, Indy Parks, Parks Alliance unveils improvements to Brookside Park court

The REPORTER

Pacers Sports & Entertainment, Indy Parks, and the Parks Alliance of Indianapolis have unveiled the refurbishments at the outdoor basketball court at Brookside Park on the city's near eastside, highlighted by a vibrant mural painted on the main court capturing the vibrancy and energy of surrounding neighborhoods.

The mural, created by PS&E Art Director Joel Dale and executed by Indiana artist Carl Leck, represents a partnership between the three organizations to upgrade the courts used by more than 30,000 children and adults each year. The project is part of the NBA Cares program celebrating the NBA's 75th Anniversary Season with the goal of creating Live, Learn, and Play Centers in NBA markets across the country. Moreover, it reflects PS&E's commitment to Intentional Generosity In Intentional Geography, an effort the company launched in 2020 to redirect resources into Indianapolis' most vulnerable zip codes.

"So many of the important lessons our kids learn are learned right here on the basketball court, and we know there is no more important and lasting investment we make than to give the children of this neighborhood a safe and exciting place to play and grow," said Rick Fuson, PS&E Chief Executive Officer. "We are so grateful to the City of Indianapolis and the NBA for working with us on this important project, and we look forward to seeing this court come alive with local children and residents for years to come."

The court mural was designed to reflect the intersection of basketball and culture that has helped shape the character of Indianapolis neighborhoods for decades. It takes the standard brand elements of the Pacers and Fever and elevates them, turning up the dial on the colors to capture the energy and pride shared by the city's residents. The goal is to evoke the feeling people across Indianapolis, young and old, get when playing our game.

This is the second investment PS&E has made at Brookside Park in the past five years. In 2018, the Pacers Foundation and Indianapolis Power & Light (AES) refurbished the indoor court at the Brookside Community Center at the park. This was the first indoor gymnasium renovation in a broader effort to renovate community courts across the city, a push that began in 2013.

"Knowing that parks are special places for so many children and their families, we are thrilled to continue our work with Pacers Sports & Entertainment to invest in our city's parks and park spaces," said Phyllis Boyd, Indy Parks Director.

"The Parks Alliance of Indianapolis is committed to connecting resources to needs on behalf of Indy's parks and public spaces for the people who use them," said Lori Hazlett, President & CEO of The Parks Alliance. "Since 2013, our team has been proud to partner with Pacers Sports & Entertainment to align their community initiatives with opportunities that invest in one of Indy Parks most utilized amenities - basketball courts."

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must stay in the top six every time because this can happen," Power said of losing his lap to Kirkwood's incident. "I had a really fast car again. It is crazy. That's three races in a row we've been like P2 in practice before qualifying and then between 15th and 19th. Frustrating, man. Frustrating. I got to Turn 6 and was

up four-tenths. That would have got us through." Newgarden, third in points, is in good shape to possibly gain ground on Ericsson and Power with the third starting spot Sunday. But the next two drivers in the standings, fourth-place Alex Palou and fifth-place Pato O'Ward, have a lot of work to do.

Reigning series champion Palou slowed on track and stopped in his qualifying group in the first session and will start 22nd in the 25-car field in the No. 10 NTT DATA Chip Ganassi Racing Honda. O'Ward clipped the wall with his No. 5 Arrow McLaren SP Chevrolet during his first group, didn't advance and will start 15th.

There was bright spot for the enthusiastic crowd of Canadian fans, back in droves under sunny skies after this event was put on hold in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Toronto area native and series rookie Devlin DeFrancesco qualified a career-best 12th in the No. 29 PowerTap Honda.

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MLB standings

| Saturday's games | | Houston 5, Oakland 0 | |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Minnesota 6, Chicago White Sox 3 | | Baltimore 6, Tampa Bay 4, 11 innings | |
| St. Louis 11, Cincinnati 3 | | Philadelphia 10, Miami 0 | |
| N.Y. Mets 2, Chicago Cubs 1, 11 innings | | N.Y. Yankees 14, Boston 1 | |
| Toronto 6, Kansas City 5, 10 innings | | San Francisco 2, Milwaukee 1 | |
| Colorado 2, Pittsburgh 0 | | Late games | |
| Seattle 3, Texas 2, 10 innings | | N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs | |
| Atlanta 6, Washington 3 | | Arizona at San Diego | |
| Cleveland 10, Detroit 0 | | L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels | |

| American League | | | | |
|-------------------|----|----|-------|------|
| East | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| N.Y. Yankees | 63 | 28 | 0.692 | - |
| Tampa Bay | 50 | 41 | 0.549 | 13.0 |
| Toronto | 49 | 43 | 0.533 | 14.5 |
| Boston | 48 | 44 | 0.522 | 15.5 |
| Baltimore | 46 | 45 | 0.505 | 17.0 |
| Central | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Minnesota | 50 | 43 | 0.538 | - |
| Cleveland | 46 | 44 | 0.511 | 2.5 |
| Chicago White Sox | 45 | 46 | 0.495 | 4.0 |
| Detroit | 37 | 55 | 0.402 | 12.5 |
| Kansas City | 36 | 55 | 0.396 | 13.0 |
| West | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Houston | 59 | 31 | 0.656 | - |
| Seattle | 50 | 42 | 0.543 | 10.0 |
| Texas | 41 | 48 | 0.461 | 17.5 |
| L.A. Angels | 39 | 52 | 0.429 | 20.5 |
| Oakland | 31 | 61 | 0.337 | 29.0 |

| National League | | | | |
|-----------------|----|----|-------|------|
| East | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| N.Y. Mets | 57 | 34 | 0.626 | - |
| Atlanta | 56 | 37 | 0.602 | 2.0 |
| Philadelphia | 48 | 43 | 0.527 | 9.0 |
| Miami | 43 | 47 | 0.478 | 13.5 |
| Washington | 30 | 63 | 0.323 | 28.0 |
| Central | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Milwaukee | 50 | 42 | 0.543 | - |
| St. Louis | 50 | 44 | 0.532 | 1.0 |
| Pittsburgh | 38 | 54 | 0.413 | 12.0 |
| Chicago Cubs | 34 | 56 | 0.378 | 15.0 |
| Cincinnati | 34 | 57 | 0.374 | 15.5 |
| West | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| L.A. Dodgers | 59 | 30 | 0.663 | - |
| San Diego | 51 | 41 | 0.554 | 9.5 |
| San Francisco | 47 | 43 | 0.522 | 12.5 |
| Colorado | 43 | 49 | 0.467 | 17.5 |
| Arizona | 39 | 51 | 0.433 | 20.5 |

WNBA standings

| Saturday's game | | | | |
|-----------------------|----|----|-------|------|
| Chicago 89, Dallas 81 | | | | |
| Team | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Chicago | 19 | 6 | 0.760 | - |
| Las Vegas | 17 | 7 | 0.708 | 1.5 |
| Connecticut | 16 | 8 | 0.667 | 2.5 |
| Seattle | 16 | 8 | 0.667 | 2.5 |
| Washington | 15 | 11 | 0.577 | 4.5 |
| Dallas | 11 | 14 | 0.440 | 8.0 |
| Phoenix | 11 | 15 | 0.423 | 8.5 |
| Atlanta | 10 | 13 | 0.435 | 8.5 |
| Los Angeles | 10 | 13 | 0.455 | 8.5 |
| Minnesota | 10 | 16 | 0.385 | 9.5 |
| New York | 9 | 15 | 0.375 | 9.5 |
| Indiana | 5 | 21 | 0.192 | 14.5 |

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