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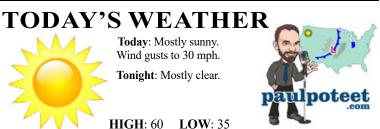






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# No more Noblesville Christmas parades

Santa & Mrs. Claus to tour town as they did during pandemic

**By GREGG MONTGOMERY** 

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The annual Noblesville Christmas Parade, put on pause in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, won't return, the city government told News 8 on Wednesday.

Emily Gaylord, communications director for the city government, told News 8 by email, "The City will continue the Santa Tour in lieu of the Christmas Parade. The Santa Tour has proved to be successful as we are able to reach more people in our community."

The 41st annual Noblesville Christmas Parade on Dec. 1, 2019, was the city's last. The event would attract nonprofits, which were allowed to enter the parade at no cost, and busithe parade.

The city canceled the parade in 2020 due to the pandemic and replaced it with the Sundays in the first two week-Home for the Holidays Tour ends of December.



Christmas in Noblesville may look a bit different than in years past, but families can still see Santa & Mrs. Claus as they tour the city for several days during the season.

featuring Santa Claus. Police,

nesses and other organizations, fire and street department ve- 2021 news release touted the the new format. Because of which paid a \$10 fee to enter hicles carried Santa into se- return of the holidays tour for the numbers we saw, and the lect city neighborhoods. That a second year. "The pandemic ability to thank our first recontinued in 2021, with five made us be creative and shift sponders and essential city parade dates on Saturday and our plans to keep the holiday workers, I decided to have the spirit alive. What we saw were neighborhood tour once again larger crowds of enthusiastic this year."

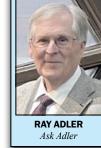
Mayor Chris Jensen in a residents that really enjoyed

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National Debt

The National Debt is now more than \$31 trillion.

imately 260 million people over the age of 18 in the United States. This means the national debt is more than \$115,000 for each adult in this nation.



**COLUMNIST** 

The Democratic spending seems increasingly unconnected from fiscal reality. Under the Democrats, even accounting for inflation, the national debt jumped by almost \$5 trillion in two years. U.S. Growth & Economic Analysis estimates more than \$89,000 in debt for each individual man, woman, child. Yes, each. Those unemployed, those with significant illnesses, those with disabilities, those in nursing homes, babies and children, and those unable to work.

Our government holdings are one of the two types of debt. Public debt is the other. In our governmental holdings, debt is held by governmental agencies. The largest share of our governmental debt is held by the Social Security Trust Fund at 46 percent of the \$6.5 trillion in the governmental holdings section.

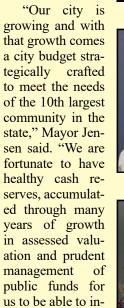
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## Noblesville 2023 city budget gets council approval

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The Noblesville Common Council approved the city's 2023 Civil City budget plan at the Tuesday night meeting. Mayor Chris Jensen's budget continues

to focus on all four of his Policy Pillars and maintains continued focus on government modernization, cost containment, and proactive preservation of taxpayer-owned assets.



vest back into our community."

The approved



Jensen

Wiles

budget was crafted during the summer and early fall based on priorities identified by the administration and city departments and feedback and direction given through Council work sessions and Council Finance Committee meetings.

The 2023 budget totals \$105 million and includes \$9.1 million in onetime spending.

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## Cicero Kiwanis names new officers



Reporter photo by Stu Clampitt

On Tuesday night at the Hidden Bay Clubhouse, 180 Timberline Drive, Cicero, new officers were installed for the Cicero Kiwanis. Food was provided by DeLullo's Trattoria in Cicero. The Kiwanis president for the next year is Emily Pearson, who keeps claiming she doesn't like to be in the spotlight, but also keeps doing so much for northern Hamilton County that The Reporter can't help but put her name in the newspaper. Pearson's first act as president was to challenge all Cicero Kiwanis members to each bring in at least one new member by the end of her term. Learn more about the Cicero Kiwanis online at Facebook.com/CiceroKiwanis.



## Fire Ops 101 takes volunteers behind the scenes

#### The REPORTER

fessional Fire Fighters Local 4416 and Carmel Professional Fire Fighters Local 4444 hosted Fire Ops 101 on Oct. 1 at

makers participated in a vari-

The Hamilton County Pro- the typical functions necessary to resolve fire and emergency medical incidents. These scenarios included mid-rise building operations, vehicle extricathe Hamilton County Training tion, cardiac arrest, and a live Department, Fishers Fire Defire training exercise. Fire fight-Local leaders and decision ers guided participants through each scenario while answering ment Hamilton County, Nobles-

scenarios that demonstrated and the fire service.

Local 4416 and Local 4444 thank their members who volunteered their time at the event. Thank to the Carmel Fire Department, Cicero Fire partment, Fishers Fire Corps, Jackson Township Fire Departety of controlled, but realistic, questions about the activities ville Fire Department, Sheridan

Fire Department, and Westfield Fire Department for their support and resources.

Thanks to Paddack's Wrecker & Heavy Transport for providing cars for vehicle extrica-

Lastly, thank you to the participants for taking time on a

See Fire Ops... Page 2

## Go Purple with Prevail!

In a study of male same-sex relationships, only 26 percent of men called the police for assistance after experiencing near-lethal violence. And in 2012, fewer than 5 percent of LGBTQ survivors of intimate partner violence sought orders of protection.

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## FIRE OPS

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Saturday to learn more about what fire fighters, paramed-City Council ics, and EMTs are doing in County Council candidate Hamilton County to make

- The participants were: • Matt Hall – 5th District
- Congressional candidate Michelle Junkins – Ad-

local communities safer.

- ams Township Trustee • Chad Pulley – Carmel
- Republic Air
- Joe Cox Cicero Town Council
- Jocelyn Vare Fishers
- Mark Hall Hamilton
- Mike Morgan Marion **Township Trustee**
- Mike Davis Noblesville Common Council
- Chad Knecht Noblesville Public Safety Director
- Elizabeth Walden -Sheridan Town Clerk
- Garrett Bergquist -WISH-TV

## NATIONAL DEBT

Public debt is held by U.S. debt holders and foreign debt holders. Japan holds \$1.3 trillion; China holds \$1.07 trillion: the United Kingdom holds \$647 billion. The U.S. Federal Reserve has greatly increased its holding of debt by buying debt with newly created reserves. That increases the rate of inflation: more dollars chasing the same volume of goods and services. Other financial obliga-

tions in forms other than bonds also exist. This includes pension and retiree healthcare costs for veterans, civilian federal employees and the general public through Social Security and Medicare benefit commitments. Unfunded entitlements like Social Security and Medicare account for 59 percent of the federal liability. When these are included, overall federal debt obliga-

tions now surpass \$300,000 for each American.

That does not count the debt obligations of state and local governments across the country. Those obligations have been estimated at more than \$7 billion by the Reason Foundation. This tremendous debt can be reined in by periods of inflation and several decades of exceptional economic growth but current economic forecasts project

anemic growth of the American economy.

Papa said, "It's not how much money you make but how much you can hang on to." In that category, me and the Democrats are clearly at odds.

Educational material and not legal advice, written by the team at Adler attorneys. Email andrea@ noblesvilleattorney.com with questions or comments.

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City Controller Jeff Spalding said the 2023 budget proposal is 13.6 percent larger than its \$92.5 million adopted 2022 budget due to growth and reinvestment.

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Spalding added that property tax revenue and local income tax revenue, which makes up a majority of annual income for the city, are both going up. "The certified net as-

sessed value growth was very high for 2023 at 18 percent. This gives the city a great opportunity to invest more into the community. The average growth was 8.4 percent for the four preceding years," Spalding said. "We continue to have very strong cash balances, and this allows us to budget \$9.1 million for strategic reinvestment from the spenddown of previously accumulated reserves. That spenddown funds key one-

projects, needed equipment, and future capacity. Excluding this one-time spending, our projected revenues equal expenses."

Like 2022, the budget continues to spend down a portion of the City's reserve balances while maintaining a property tax rate of \$1.10 per \$100 of assessed value. which the city has held flat for four consecutive years.

"Noblesville's budget is a positive step in funding and addressing infrastructure and local services needs of a growing community," Council President Megan Wiles said. "After concluding in-depth budget review meetings and considering recommendations and input from department heads and other that this budget effectively hancement program.

time investments in capital balances emerging needs and economic trends while ensuring that our ongoing operational spending aligns with revenue growth."

> Furthermore, the budget total does not include the over \$5 million in state and federal grant funding the city has been awarded for three major trail projects next year - Little Chicago Road Pedestrian Bridge, Nickel Plate Trail, and the Stony Creek Pedestrian Trail – and more than \$8 million for road projects like Pleasant Street and State Road 32/ River Road roundabout.

Additional features within the 2023 Civil City budget include:

- \$50,000 for residential façade grant program in the city's historic districts.
- \$300,000 for Old Town stakeholders, I am confident sidewalk repair and en-

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- \$356,000 for building and site security improvements.
- · Continued infrastructure investments in Innovation Mile.
- Contributions to roundabout projects at State Road 38/Whitcomb Ridge, SR 38/Logan, and 141st Street/ Promise Road.
- \$400,000 to replace and enhance downtown traffic signals.
- Funding for 19 new full-time city employees, including eight new fire fighters and six police officers to address increased service demands from a growing population.
- Three percent base pay adjustments for employees.
- Vehicle and apparatus replacement for police and fire personnel based on the city's equipment replacement cycle.

## Thanks for reading!

I was born and raised right here 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:

- Individually packaged snacks
- Lysol
- Hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes

Drop off items at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, 14701 Tom Wood Way.







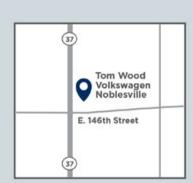
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## Rep. Spartz's update from the campaign trail

It's hard to believe, but we're only 26 days away from the election November. Early voting start-Wednesday, and our campaign is running at full speed.

Over the past weeks and

months, I've had the opportunity to speak with many of you throughout our communities. I'm grateful to those I've met along the campaign trail right here at home in Indiana.

From Hamilton County to Delaware County and all parts in between, Team Spartz had a busy summer ing constituents all through-



with Hoosiers and state. hear what's on their minds.

an honor to attend the inaugural Northern Hamilton County GOP

meeting. I began my career in public service as a grassroots volunteer in Hamilton County, and I know how and someone who knows vitally important our local what it takes to get a small efforts are. I'm so grateful to those who dedicate their it means so much to me to time and energy to our Republican cause!

attending events and meet- I am honored and humbled with the outpouring of supout the 5th District. One of port from constituents and the best parts of the cam- organizations. Recently, I paign trail is joining folks at was proud to accept the ention and crippling taxation.

our local fairs and dorsements of three groups festivals. It's a which represent thousands great opportunity of Hoosiers in the 5th Disto speak directly trict and across our great

I am proud to stand with National Right to Life It was truly and am grateful for their endorsement. I understand how precious the American Dream is, and I will continue advocating for every child to have the chance to live and pursue that dream.

As a businesswoman business off the ground, have the endorsement of the National Federation of Independent Businesses. Now As I run for re-election, more than ever before, businesses are penalized for success. We must once again allow businesses to thrive without burdensome regula-



Congresswoman Victoria Spartz attended the first meeting of the Northern **Hamilton County GOP.** 

From inflation to supply chain disruptions and pain at the pump, our farmers are paying the price. As a farmer myself, I know what farmwill always have their

out-of-control earned the endorsement of we must reach every voter in Indiana Farm Bureau AgE-LECT, and I will not let our farmers down.

The upcoming Noveming families are facing, and ber election is incredibly important. We cannot take backs. I'm honored to have anything for granted, and

the 5th District to spread our message and uphold our values of limited government and individual freedoms.

Victoria Spartz serves as the Republican Congresswoman for Indiana's Fifth District.

## Local Republicans have two big events set for this month

#### The REPORTER

#### **Breakfast Club**

The Hamilton Coun-Republican will hold its October featuring the county's four Breakfast Club meeting mayors: Westfield's Andy from 7:30 to 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19 at the Bridgewater Club, 3535 E. 161st St.

Guest speakers will include State Treasurer County candidate Daniel Elliott, Auditor of State candidate Tera Klutz, and Secretary of State candidate Doors open for dinner reg-Diego Morales.

your seat. Register by 5 The event will be held at the p.m. on Monday, Oct. 502 East Event Center, 502 17. Tickets are \$25 per E. Carmel Drive, Carmel. person for non-members. Click here to register.

#### **Fall Dinner**

The Hamilton County GOP Annual Fall Dinner Party returns on Monday, Oct. 24, Cook, Fishers' Scott Fadness, Carmel's Jim Brainard, and Noblesville's Chris

A VIP reception with Commissioners Christine Altman, Steve Dillinger and Mark Heirbrandt will begin at 5 p.m. istration at 5:30 p.m. and the RSVP now to reserve dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

Register today at this

## **Early Voting Locations**

## You don't have to wait until November 8

#### **Carmel**

Mercy Road Church, 2381 Pointe Pkwy. Jill Perelman Pavilion, 3000 W. 116th St.

 Oct. 26 and 27 from 2 to 7 p.m. Oct. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 2 and 3 from 2 to 7 p.m. Nov. 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### **Fishers**

Roy G. Holland Memorial Park Building, 1 Park Drive Billericay Park Building, 12690 Promise Road

 Oct. 26 and 27 from 2 to 7 p.m. Oct. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 2 and 3 from 2 to 7 p.m.

#### • Nov. 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Westfield

Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St. Cool Creek Nature Center, 2000-1 E. 151st St.

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#### **Noblesville**

Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square Oct. 13 and 14 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

• Oct. 17 to 21 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

 Oct. 24 to 28 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Oct. 31 to Nov. 4 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

• Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 7 from 8 a.m. to noon

Hamilton County Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant St.

 Oct. 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. • Oct. 17 to 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• Oct. 24 to 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. • Oct. 31 to Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Nov. 7 from 8 a.m. noon

# State Senator Jim Buck

Running For Re-Election In Senate District 21 Focused on Protecting Our Families and Our Future



## **Focused On Fighting Inflation**

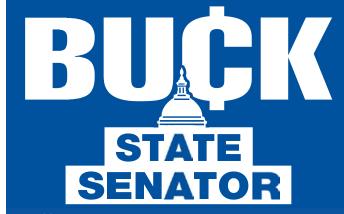
Jim Buck is helping families deal with Biden's inflation by cutting the income tax, capping the gas tax, repealing multiple utility taxes, and returning budget surplus dollars to taxpayers.

## **Focused On Keeping Us Safe**

Jim Buck is endorsed by the Indiana State Police Alliance, the Fraternal Order of Police and the Professional Firefighters due to his vigorous efforts to fight crime and opioid addiction while fully supporting our public safety officers.

## **Focused On Improving Education**

Jim Buck voted for record funding increases for Indiana schools which has allowed local schools direct more dollars to the classroom and give teachers raises. He trusts parents to make the decisions for their children's education and voted to guarantee them a voice at school board meetings.



A VOTE FOR JIM BUCK WILL HELP KEEP INDIANA STRONG

Contact me at

citizensforbuck@comcast.net

"I humbly ask for your vote on or before November 8." - Sen. Jim Buck

# Public hearings, bonds & major county projects

ber, the Hamilton County Council meeting started with an Executive Session, then a work session for the Council, and finished with our regularly scheduled meeting.



The purpose of the separate meetings is spelled out by Indiana Code. Executive Sessions provide the opportunity for the Council to discuss and strategize about private matters such as collective bargaining, litigation, security, the purchase or lease of real estate, and economic development negotiations. Work sessions are small, public group meetings that allow for deeper conversations and dialogue regarding county affairs.

While I cannot divulge the items discussed in the Executive Session, the work session involved two topics. The first was the appointee portal process and the second was a review and discussion of County Council Rules. The County Council rules are simply a formal document about how the Council will conduct its business. It merely put into writing what is generally done today with a few tweaks for appointments and committee duties.

Regarding the Council appointee process, the appointee portal was designed the highway department is

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unplanned vacanthat the portal will accept applications through Nov. 15. These applications and lists will be distributed to Council members and

votes will occur at the December Council meeting, as has been the general process in the past. We are hopeful that the use of this appointee portal will increase participation by people in the county. It can be accessed at this link.

Council meeting was dominated by three public hear-

The first related to the General Obligation Bond Ordinance No. CC08032022-A, to cover projects discussed at the previous Council meeting. This was approved without any public comments which authorizes the County to issue the bond.

The second public hearing related to appropriation for these bonds when they are received. It was Ordinance No. CC08032022-B. This also was passed without comment from the pub-

The last public hearing was for the 2023 budget. Due to changes at the state with respect to how

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was part of our fiscal plan as cies. We agreed we spend down some budget line items and take on deferred maintenance projects. Our goal is to ultimately move toward a program that is tracking metrics regarding project costs, maintenance, and general review of financial planning to better serve our County.

Another general obligation bond (2022-B) was brought up during new business. This bond is specifically for the long overdue Hamilton County Women's Shelter, which currently has a Request The regularly scheduled for Information (RFI) on the street looking for developers, constructors, and operators. This project is designed to provide a safe space for victims of domestic violence, which exploded during the response to the pandemic. As we understand, Hamilton County is one of the only counties in Indiana of similar size to not have a victim's shelter.

The Council suspended the rules to vote on authorizing the bond issuance but did not act on the appropriation as that will require a public hearing, and the council was adamant about understanding the complete scope of the project before appropriating money for the project. This was in the county's best interest as it allowed for us to fulfill some requirements that were built into the 2023 fiscal plan. This bond will also benefit from being issued before another rate hike.

There were a few projof the normal course of business, but I wanted to take a moment to discuss the grant appropriation of \$24 mil-This project will provide for *Council*.

appointments, not to be out of balance, but that Hamilton County and drive commercial and industrial growth along the U.S. 31 corridor.

> This is one of a few transformational projects that the county has been able to fund in partnership with the State of Indiana. We anticipate a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) from our development partner in the coming months that fits within the budget. While most are frustrated by the inflationary impact of these distributed funds, this project was identified early and will open a part of the county that is currently not served by municipal water and sewer, replace some failing septic systems in that area and provide the infrastructure to improve the U.S. 31 corridor. It will benefit the county for years and has received the full support of our Council and Commissioners.

> As with every meeting, you can watch recordings or live stream meetings from our YouTube channel.

If items mentioned above are of interest, please reach out to me or any member of the County Council. As always, I am thankful that the Hamilton County Reporter for publishing my Council updates and a special thanks to you, the readers, and residents of Hamilton County, for reading it and being engaged in the discussion. Our county mel Clay Parks and Recis better because of you all. I welcome your questions at ken.alexander@hamiltoncounty.in.gov.

Ken Alexander is serving in his first term on the ects that were funded as part Hamilton County Council, representing District 4, which includes Adams and Washington townships, and part of Clay Township. He lion in ARPA dollars to fund currently serves as the Vice the Bakers Corner project. President of the County

## **Armed robbers** hit Fishers bank

By KYLA RUSSELL

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The Fishers Police Department responded to an armed robbery in Fishers Tuesday afternoon.

According to a tweet from the Fishers Police Department, police responded to Star Financial Bank at the 8762 E. 96th St. on reports of an armed robbery. That's just east of Interstate 69.

Detectives believe the suspect entered the bank, approached an employee, displayed a gun and then demanded cash. The employee complied and was not injured. Police say the suspect fled the scene in a vehicle going south toward Indianapolis.

Police ask anyone with information to call (317) 595-3300.

## Indiana Leadership Forum selects Class of 2023

#### The REPORTER

Since 1993, the Indiana Leadership Forum (ILF), a nonprofit educational program, has increased the involvement of civic, business, and cultural leaders in local, state and federal government.

ILF has over 500 graduates statewide who contribute to Indiana through their extraordinary leadership in the public and private sectors, and through dedicated service in a wide array of philanthropic organizations.

ILF has announced the selections for the Indiana Leadership Forum Class of State Senate, Legislative

#### **ILF Class of 2023**

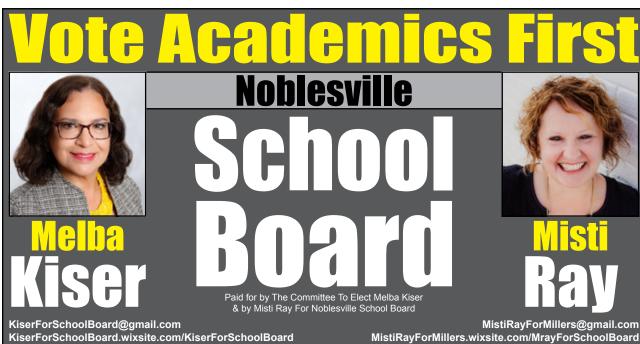
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Evans Whalin LLC, Senior Pralegal/Pre-Law and Recover Now, LLC Substance Abuse Counseling, Owner

- · Hunter Frost, Indiana House of Representatives, Legislative Assistant
- · Roger Howard, Indiana Economic Development Corporation, International Trade Manager
- · Liz Huston, Knowledge Services, StateRAMP Account Associate
- · Elizabeth James, Charter Communications, LLC, Manager of State and Local Government Affairs
- Jim Johnson, Indiana Assistant
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Thank you, Hamilton County!



## Cicero gives back big with spaghetti money





Photos provided by Emily Pearson

Lisa Stokes-Bear and Jackie Hayden from Cicero Friends of the Park recently presented two checks worth \$2,000 each to Cicero Fire Chief Lance Overholser and Cicero Police Officer Doug Grishaw. The funds were raised during Friends of the Park's Sept. 18 spaghetti fundraiser.

## Whoooooo's ready for Owl Fest?

Popular Eagle Creek Park event returns Oct. 22 & 23

#### The REPORTER

One of Eagle Creek Park's most popular events wings its way to the park's Ornithology Center on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 22 & 23.

The seventh annual Owl Festival is free with regular park admission and features a fun and fabulous line-up of events and activities designed for all ages: games, nature-themed crafts, guided hikes, scavenger hunts, live animal programs, and

Park naturalists and other experts will present sessions exploring a wide range of topics including Opossums & Owl, Indiana Bats, Owl Feeding Time, Meet a Falcon, and Indiana's Nocturnal Hunters. among others.

Guests will have the opportunity to participate in a Nature-themed Open Mic on Saturday afternoon, and a Campfire & Drum Circle facilitated by Bongo Boy Music School on Sunday.

The Owl Fest silent auction returns, too, with Street off all proceeds benefiting the of Lafay-Eagle Creek Park Foundation's Birds of Prey Fund Interstate which supports the Orni- 65. Event thology Center's Raptor times 10 Ambassador Sales of concessions, Owl p.m. Fest and Eagle Creek Park Saturday, 50th anniversary merchandise and other items also and Raptor Ambassador Program. (Some items will be cash-only, while debit and credit cards will be accepted for others, so be sure to come prepared!)

Eagle Creek Park Ornithology Center is located inside the park at 6515 Delong Road. Park entrances are located at 7840 W. 56th



St. and at October 22 & 23 Program. a.m. to 7 Eagle Creek Park **Ornithology Center** on

Sunday, Oct. 23. Owl Fest northwest Indianapolis park will benefit the Foundation is free with regular park ad- hosts over one million visimission: \$5 per vehicle for tors annually. Marion County residents, \$6 per vehicle for out-of- helping provide volunteer county residents.

silent auction items and bidable at eaglecreekpark.org/ owl-fest-2022.

Eagle Creek Park is eaglecreekpark.org.



and more than Oct. 22, and 1 to 5 p.m. on 1,300 acres of reservoir. The

Persons interested in and financial support to pro-Additional information mote, preserve, protect, and about Owl Fest, including enhance the park are invited to become members of the ding instructions, is avail- Eagle Creek Park Foundation. Information about the Foundation can be found at

## Pioneer Fall Fest **Morris Homestead Barn**

Taylor Center of Natural History 12308 Strawtown Ave., Noblesville, IN 46060

## Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 1-4pm

Join the Taylor Center of Natural History staff at our historic red barn for a day of pioneer fun! Join our "quilting bee," make a corn husk doll and fresh butter, and learn all about pioneer plants with community herbalist, Greg Monzel. Hope to see you there!





## Indiana Supreme Court allows abortion law injunction to stand, sets January hearing

By BRADY GIBSON WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Court has agreed to take immediate jurisdiction in the legal fight over the state's new abortion law.

The state's highest court granted a request by Attorney General Todd Rokita to skip the Court of Appeals. The court also rejected a

blocking enforcement of the law.

A special judge issued injunction in January. The Indiana Supreme an injunction blocking enforcement of the ban just is scheduled to hear argudays after it took effect ments Friday on another Sept. 15.

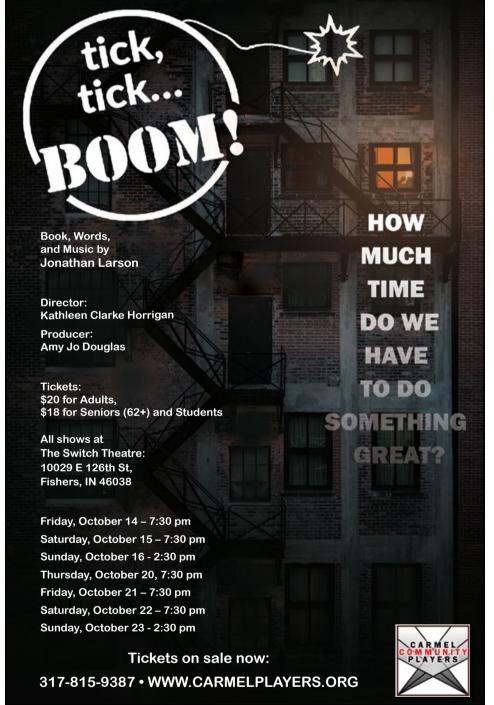
The law, passed in August by a special session of abortions in the state with exceptions for rape, incest, request to lift an injunction life and health of the mother. state's freedom act.

The Supreme Court will hear oral arguments on the

A Marion County judge potential injunction in a second abortion lawsuit.

That suit, filed by the the General Assembly, bans ACLU of Indiana on behalf of the group Hoosier Jews for Choice, claims the new fatal fetal anomalies and the abortion law violates the

## VIII RING The City of Noblesville is currently accepting applications for the position of full-time Deputy Clerk. Salary is \$43-47K based on experience. For a complete list of duties and to apply, please go to www.cityofnoblesville.org/employment. **Equal Employment Opportunity Employer** Participates in E-Verify



## Nickel Plate Arts to hold reception for Dan Howell this Friday in Fishers

The REPORTER

Dan Howell's clay work began when he was a boy, making sculptures on the creek banks near the source of the White River on his father's farm in central Indiana. With encouragement from his high school art teacher, he continued honing his craft specifically into clay.

Howell earned a bachelor's degree in Education from Ball State University, studied abroad in France for a year, then went on to receive a master's degree in Sculpture and Ceramics from Ball State.

He proceeded to teach art in a wide variety of forms for 45 years in three different Indiana high schools. His work has now come full circle with a ceramic studio at his home on the banks of the White River in Noblesville.

Howell has explored a range of media, including fiber, carved wood and stone, and cast and welded materials. His clay pieces range from functional wheel-thrown porcelain to hand-built stoneware abstract sculpture. His work ence or expression of some spans 50 years and has been sort," Howell said. shown in collections both locally and internationally.

Currently, his work is featured in a collection of platters made of glazed stoneware on display at Meyer Najem in the second-floor gallery space. The series started as a reaction to political and social unrest, and his pieces that contain "Chaos Control Failure" in their title are a reflection able to control it," Howell of that unrest. Many of the platters are an image of some concrete structure that has been overrun by a more organic non-structured ele-



See Dan Howell's limestone sculptures in the "Chaos Control Failure" exhibit Mondays through Fridays until Dec. 29 at the second-floor gallery at Meyer Najem, 11787 Lantern Road, Fishers.

Howell

ure platters, I got intrigued more and more by the textures and the patterns – so it's kind of a release to be able to express it and be done with it and then move on to another experi-

The series evolved into other images dealing with

contrast of patterns and tex-"I feel very good about

the finished collection, and I'm glad that I was able to move on in another direction – as I moved onto colors, textures, patterns, and movement – the movement of the chaos and not being said. "I worked it out of my system. I am very pleased with how these turned out."

See the full exhibit, "Chaos Control Failure," partnered beautifully with "As I was working on Howell's hand-carved limethese Chaos Control Fail- stone sculptures, from 8:30 ty Tourism, Inc.

a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday on the second floor of Meyer Najem, 11787 Road, Lantern Fishers. Meet Howell

at his free public reception from 5 to 8 p.m. on Fri-

day, Oct. 14 at Meyer Najem in the second-floor gallery space. His work will be on display through Dec. 29. All works are available for sale by scanning the QR codes in the gallery or by contacting Nickel Plate Arts directly.

About Nickel Plate Arts

Nickel Plate Arts is an umbrella nonprofit organization that creates and coordinates arts and cultural experiences across communities in eastern Hamilton County and the surrounding areas to improve the quality of life for residents, strengthen local economies and enrich experiences for visitors. Nickel Plate Arts is a project of Hamilton Coun-

## Teresa Ayers announces run for Carmel City Council

Submitted

Teresa Ayers has an- a graduate of Virnounced she will run for ginia Intermont Carmel City Council – Central District.

Ayers currently serves and ran track and as the Vice-Chairman of cross country. She the Hamilton County Re- is the daughter of publican Party and is on the Paul Ayers and Board of the Carmel-Clay the late Cheryl Republican Club.

Ayers is a graduate of Lady of Mt. Carmel Catho-

lic Parish. She is College where she played soccer Ayers.

Ayers said her commu-Carmel High School and nity involvement naturally a lifelong member of Our sparked her desire to run for Carmel City Council in the

Ayers

"As Carmel continues to grow, I will advocate for a bal-

Central District.

ance between responsible growth and conservative fiscal policy as well as keeping public safety a top priority," Ayers said.

"Carmel is a wonderful place to live and work, I look forward to keeping it that way."

The primary election will take place on May 2, 2023.

Learn more about Ayers at ayers4carmel.com.

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#### Letter to the Editor

## Noblesville parent says voters should pay attention to upcoming school board election

I was not one to pay attention to what my children were learning in school. The past two years have changed that forever.

I discovered teachers using their position to influence students' personal views on race and identity. Discussing racism and slavery in our nation's history is important. These teachers, however, promoted a view of America as systemically racist where all white people are inherently racist and non-white people are victims. I found this was not an isolated incident.

In the fall of 2020, one of my daughters told me her 11th-grade English teacher spent an entire class teaching about white privilege and advantage as they were reading White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack by Peggy McIntosh. In 11th-grade U.S. History, a predominant theme was Civil Rights ... an important topic, but not the only topic in our nation's history. Something just didn't feel right.

"Critical Race Theory" (CRT) was in the headlines nationwide by this time, so I started doing my own research and talking with other parents. Some reported their eighth-grade students learning about "anti-racism" and "white fragility." The Noblesville Schools website had resources on "whiteness," "Learning for Justice," and books/articles by known critical race theorists Ibram X Kendi and Robin DiAngelo under the Noblesville Diversity Coalition which partners with Noblesville Schools. I also learned teachers were encouraged to read books such as White Rage, and How to be an Antiracist for professional development.

What does this have to do with academics? How is this helping our children grow into responsible, respectful adults? Thankfully, most Noblesville teachers are great and focus on academics. Unfortunately, it only takes a "few rotten apples to spoil the bunch."

Parents all over the nation were speaking out against CRT spreading in their schools, and school boards were denying it existed. The Noblesville School Board with Joe Forgey at the helm was no different. Parents voiced concern at school board meetings in the summer of 2021, but Laura Alerding was the only member to act. Joe Forgey reportedly didn't agree with CRT but preferred to deal with these matters "behind the scenes." When opportunities arose to change or create a policy that would prohibit CRT in the classroom, Joe Forgey did nothing. There were many opportunities, but each time he was silent and went with the status quo.

Students need to learn the flaws in our nation's history, and I fully believe students of all races/ethnicities, religions, and gender identities should be treated equally and with respect and dignity. I draw the line at activist teachers/administrators pushing their ideas about race, gender and social justice upon the minds of children. This most definitely was happening in 2020/21 and continues to happen today. I have since heard from parents that White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack is still being read in some 11th-grade English classes at NHS to this day.

This is one of many important issues where Joe Forgey did not address the concerns of parents/taxpayers but instead went with the status quo. We need school board members who will work to improve academic achievement and excellence and not give in to pressure from political agendas so potentially damaging to our kids and communities.

Joe Forgey may be a nice man and a respected dentist, but he is not the man for this job. Melba Kiser and Misti Ray have my vote and I hope you will join me in voting for them as well.

**Alison Hanley** Noblesville

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## **Letter guidelines** this election season

With the approach of the Nov. 8 General Election, the Reporter is establishing some Letters to the Editor guidelines to keep things fair and balanced.

Letters addressing new topics about the upcoming election or the policies of individual candidates will be accepted until the end of the business day on Tuesday, Nov. 1 and will be published on Wednesday, Nov. 2.



Letters in response

to new topics published in our Nov. 2 edition will be accepted until Friday, Nov. 4 and will be published in our Saturday, Nov. 5 edition.

These deadlines will give candidates and their supporters the opportunity to reply to letters addressing new topics.

> Please send your letters to News@ReadTheReporter.com.

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## Carmel Clay Parks brings back Trick-or-Treat for those with special sensory needs

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Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation (CCPR) will hold its annual Sensory Trick-or-Treat Friendly Walk from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 along the **Central Park** East trails.

To provide inclusive experiences for the community, CCPR hosts sensory-friendly events as part of its adaptive programming designed for individuals with disabilities.

"Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation strives to provide programming for all members of our community," Inclusion Program Supervisor Kelvin Solares said. "Holidays, like Halloween, can be very overwhelming for individuals with sensory needs. We are excited to offer Sensory-Friendly Trick-or-Treat again this year to remove barriers and provide an accessible way to celebrate."

During the trick-or-treat walk there will be no loud music, scary decorations, or people dressed in masks or full-body costumes. CCPR's adaptive program volunteers will dress in fun, non-frightening costumes and pass out treats.

CCPR requests all trickor-treaters bring their own bag or basket for candy and wear friendly costumes that are not frightening (refrain









Photos provided by Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation

or-treaters can go around the ter or online here. trail loop multiple times.

Pre-registration is required for each trick-or-

cover the full face). Trick- Monon Community Cen-

About Sensory-Friendly **Events** 

Sensory-friendly events treater. The cost to partici- are structured for individupate is \$10. Register for the als with sensory needs who Sensory-Friendly Trick-or- might become overwhelmed

from wearing masks that Treat walk in person at the or overstimulated by their senses, including sight, sound, and touch. During sensory-friendly events, the environment is changed so those with sensory needs are comfortable, can participate fully, and enjoy time with family and friends.





## Westfield's Grand Junction Plaza wins landscape architecture award



Photo provided by Westfield Chamber

Last week, the City of Westfield's Grand Junction Plaza received first-place honors in the Landscape Architecture category at the 45th annual Monumental Awards presented by the Indy Chamber. The Monumental Awards showcase the region's best and brightest in the local built environment and celebrate the work of companies across the region to strengthen Indy's placemaking, economic development, and talent strategy. Westfield City Staff attended the outdoor awards ceremony on Oct. 5 to accept the award.

## **Westfield Chamber Calendar of Events**

Tuesday, Oct. 25 Young Professionals to Happy Hour 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 26 **Coffee with the Chamber** 

Thursday, Oct. 27 School Board Candidates Forum Westfield Washington Schools Open to Public - No RSVP needed 6:30 to 8 p.m. Location: Westfield High School Auditorium

**Optimizing Your Workforce Engagement Strategy** 8 to 9:30 a.m.

## Briggs surmises why Republicans aren't attending debates

Letter to the Editor

Kaitie Rector's question, "Why is it all of a sudden that Republicans are hiding from their voters?" is a good question. I don't have the answer, but I can only surmise why.

This current election is very contentious, and here is one reason why: the American people have been drug through the mud by the Washington, D.C. elites ever since the 2016 election when President Trump won and Hillary Clinton did not. Clinton had a meltdown and would not come out to her supporters after the election was called for Trump.

Then the trail of HATE from the Democrats began for four years and beyond. Conspiracies, collusion, lies, and untrue impeachments ran amuck. Some people in the media have said to forget what happened and to move on (from the rigged election).

The psychological state effect from the recent past does not move on. It will be remembered well into the future as the Civil War and the bombing of Pearl Harbor. The Washington, D.C. elites have broken the law many times and receive no punitive punishment. What happens in D.C. does affect the entire nation.

The progressives started forcing upon Americans their heinous ideologies upon our nation. These include the "Green New Deal" (an economic disaster); abortion up to and including the birth of a baby (what do we do with the unwanted baby?); CRT (Critical Race Theory), which is telling one race in our country that they are repressed and the other race are the oppressors; DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion), an area where America was improving until the Obamas arrived and upset the apple cart; SEL (Social Emotional Learning), where I have read that students who take this class are told they are not normal living in a functional family with two parents; and the forced upon Americans transgender agenda, which is destroying our young children and women's sports.

Republicans support pro-life, a border wall, independence of oil and use of fossil fuels, law and order, commonsense economics and capitalism, fair and nonrigged elections, support of middle-class workers and families, controlled immigrants who apply for citizenship, and excellent education for our children who will be leading our country in the future.

Democrats support inflation, high gas and grocery prices, defunding our police, open borders, welcoming all the illegal aliens who are involved in trafficking of drugs, humans, and crime in our country, the Green New Deal, supporting the transgender agenda where boys in skirts can invade girls and women's sports and locker rooms and transforming young children, CRT and SEL, socialism and communism.

Let's imagine a debate speaking to these issues which are very polarized. Would it be civil and controlled? Would the hecklers in the audience be silenced and controlled?

The League of Women Voters do a great job with candidate forums, but in Carmel they did not allow the public to ask the questions, which was disappointing. The questions were pre-set, which controlled the mood and issues of the event.

Hopefully all candidates will give their statements in local periodicals and Vote411 offered by the League.

**Mari Briggs** Sheridan

#### **OCTOBER**

Location: Crafters Pizza and Drafthouse

Topic: Old Town Downtown Project Update 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Location: Club at Chatham Hills

Friday, Oct. 28

Location: Hamilton County Community Foundation

Tuesday, Nov. 8 **Young Professionals - Coffee & Networking** 9 to 10 a.m. Location: The Bridgewater Club Wednesday, Nov. 9 **Chamber New Partner Orientation** 2 to 4 p.m. Location: The Bridgewater Club Tuesday, Nov. 15 **Mental Health First Aid Training** 

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: The Bridgewater Club Tuesday, Nov. 22 Young Professionals - Happy Hour

5 to 7 p.m. Location: SpringHill Suites Wednesday, Nov. 30 **Coffee with the Chamber** 8 to 9 a.m. Location: The Bridgewater Club

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We'd like to invite you and a guest to join us for an Open House event. Enjoy an evening of drinks, hors d'oeuvres and good company.



### SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, October 13 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Eastern

The Club at Crosspoint 9800 Crosspoint Blvd., Suite 200 Indianapolis, Indiana 46256

### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please park in the main parking lot on the north side of the building. Enter through the main entrance; doors will be locked. A Crosspoint Center team member will let you in. Take the elevator up.

## **RSVP**

Please RSVP by October 6 by calling 812.474.6200.

We look forward to seeing you there!



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## Thanks for reading!

## Indiana State Police Alliance PAC & Indianapolis FOP endorse State Senator Kyle Walker

## **Submitted**

State Senator Kyle Walker's campaign announced it noting his efforts has received endorsements from the Indiana State Police Alliance PAC and the Indianapolis Lodge #86 Fraternal Order of Police. These groups join a growing list of law enforcement organizations supporting Walker in his campaign for

State Senate District 31. The Indiana State Posponsored by the Indiana State Police Alliance, whose membership consists of 1,200 active state police officers, which is 96 percent of

the troopers serving Indiana. "Senator Walker is a strong supporter of the Inmission to promote better ment officers and their famlaw enforcement to the citizens of Indiana," said Cory Martin, Executive Director of the Indiana State Police Alliance. "He's led and supported efforts to increase funding, expand training, and provide more resources for all members of law enforcement. We look forward to continuing our work together to make Indiana a better and safer place to live."

2021, co-sponsored landmark, bipartisan law enforcement legislation that provided expanded training for police officers (HEA 1006), and he supported the state budget which gave raises to state police and excise officers and increased funding for the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy and for other crime reduction programs (HEA 1001).

The Indianapolis Lodge #86 Fraternal Order of Police the last year since its creation,

also voiced its support for Walker, to support local crime reduction in the Indianapolis region and support Indianapolis offi-

"Sena-

tor Walker has law enforcement not just in words, but in action. He's lice Alliance Political Ac- spearheaded several inition Committee (PAC) is tiatives to improve public safety, support our officers and reduce crime in the Indianapolis area," said Rick Snyder, President of the Indianapolis Lodge #86 Fraternal Order of Police. "Senate Walker listens to, collaborates with and advodiana State Police and our cates for our law enforce-

> his unwavering support." In 2022, Walker authored legislation to improve electronic monitoring of offenders to prevent them from going on to commit additional crimes while under surveillance (SEA 9). Marion County has more offenders on electric monitoring than Cook County, Illinois where Chicago is Walker located. The new law helps improve response time if a monitor is disabled and ensures victims are notified.

ilies and we're grateful for

In 2021, Walker sponsored legislation to expand an innovative partnership between the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD) and the Fishers Police Department to track guns used to commit crimes across Central Indiana and bring more violent criminals to justice (HEA 1558). Over



the Indiana Crime Guns Task Force has seized 369 illegal firearms, leading to the arrests of 397 repeat violent offenders. Walker also authored bills to create the Marion County Crime Reduction Pilot

shown his commitment to Program to encourage law enforcement collaboration to tackle violent crime in the region (SEA 7), and to protect the identities of child crime victims (SEA 117).

"Public safety is a critical issue for our region. I will continue to focus on efforts to reduce crime, help bring more violent criminals to justice, and support our men and women in blue," Walker said.

Walker has been endorsed by several organizations representing law enforcement and first responders, including the Indiana State Fraternal Order of Police, the Indiana Fire Chiefs Association, the Indiana Professional Firefighters PAC, the Fishers Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 199 and the Lawrence Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 159.

He's also been endorsed by several business groups, including the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, the Indy Chamber Business Advocacy Committee (BAC), the Indiana State AFL-CIO and the Indiana State Pipe Trades Association.

Walker's district encompasses parts of Hamilton and Marion counties, including all of Fishers and part of Lawrence. For more information visit WalkerforIndiana.com.

## Ice skating tickets available now for The Ice at Carter Green in Carmel

The REPORTER

Carter Green, sponsored by Allied Solutions, are on sale now. The rink will be open Saturday, Nov. 19 through Sunday, Feb. 26. Click here to buy tickets.

for the rink will follow the Christkindlmarkt's open dates and times until the Market closes on Dec. 30. Ice Skating hours will continue into January and February with extended holiday hours and several special 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. events such as the 2023 Fes-Games, Sensory Skate Days als. and more.

tails about the 2022-2023 Ice at Carter Green season.

Tickets for the Ice at minutes, unless noted on the skate session calendar. The cost per session on all days is \$10 for adults and youth 11 and older; \$8 for children 10 and younger. You can bring your own skates, The hours and times or you can rent skates for \$4 per person.

> Except for special sessions, below are the regular skating hours:

- Thursday: 4 to 9 p.m.
- Friday: 3:30 to 9 p.m. • Saturday and Sunday:
- Closed Monday to tival of Ice, Carmel Winter Wednesday for private rent-

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## How people power can create positive change

By ERIN KELLEY

**Guest Columnist** 

Every year for the past 27 years, Spirit & Place has held a community-wide festival exploring a yearly theme through the lens of the arts, humanities and religion. Throughout this time, Spirit & Place has tirelessly worked to create brave spaces for important dialogues throughout central Indiana.

This year, our theme focuses on the idea of IDEN-TIFY and asks the public to explore the roots of who we are and how we are shaped by the world.

Reflecting on the IDEN-TIFY theme, I am struck by the importance of identifying the power and influence "we the people" possess to shape society. All around us, everyday people are making exciting and positive contributions. They are shining examples of "people power." Sometimes identifying these amazing stories during er fails to excite us when our emotional news cycles and algorithmically driven social us they have used their civic media posts is a challenge, but it is crucial we identify these positive contributions and figure out how we too can contribute.

I believe that by tapping into our individual people power, collective change can be born. It's important in a ty and sharing what we can, democracy to recognize that individual people can make a change, especially when the work is shared with others who are equally committed to showing up for each other in public life.

#### The importance of people power

Spirit & Place holds an annual community-created festival of events every November as well as people-centered community engagement efforts and dialogues throughout the rest of the year. In everything we do, we are passionately driven by the goal of catalyzing civic engagement. But what really is civic engagement?

Simply put, "civic engagement" is showing up in public life. It's the recognition that both individual and collective action to identify and address public concerns is a shared responsibility. Civic engagement includes political engagement, but it's deeper than that. It's people who show up in community life, whether that's in your school, neighborhood, job, family or Place or elsewhere, we hope place of worship.

It's crucial for community members to become involved in shaping and moving the central Indiana community forward because the idea that leaders above us are the only ones who can create change is not true. Tapping into our energy, innovation and heartfelt desire for meaningful change that exists at a grassroots level Director of Spirit and Place, has the power to transform a part of the IU School of communities.

#### People power in action

Outside of our annual festival, Spirit & Place holds important dialogue sessions using the civic reflection dialogue method. This method anchors a group dialogue in a shared source material such as a poem, short reading, visual image or piece of music. The public is then invited to unpack their underlying beliefs and values around race with our **Powerful Conver**sations on Race series and/ or their civic values with our Civic Circle gatherings.

We support and celebrate the concept of people power by training community members to help facilitate these dialogues. By training others, Spirit & Place circulates its own power and resources to make a greater impact. Holding skills, knowledge and resources to oneself sets us up for a zero-sum game and slows down change. Rather, we work out of a mindset of abundance and trust. It nevcommunity facilitators tell reflection dialogue skills in their workplaces, congregations or even family dining rooms. Some have even created events for the Spirit & Place festival based on their training.

By trusting the communi-Spirit & Place's partners are free to make meaning of the world on their own terms. They are joyfully encouraged to share what they've learned through us and to put it into practice in the places and spaces where they believe positive change can be made.

#### How to work

towards people power

We chose our festival theme of IDENTIFY this year because it's important for people to identify and claim their true sense of self and then tap into their innate sense of people power. By creating brave spaces - spaces where we sit with discomfort and do not give up on each other when/if the conversation gets hard – we encourage the public to think about their own civic identities and practice the art of listening. Through listening without an agenda, that is, simply listening to another point of view to learn something new, we put into practice the sacred work of honoring each other's humanity.

Whether with Spirit & you will connect with organizations in your community that promote civic engagement and take that first step in recognizing and affirming your own people power.

To learn more about Spirit & Place and how you can get involved with civic engagement through this year's festival, visit **spiritandplace.org**.

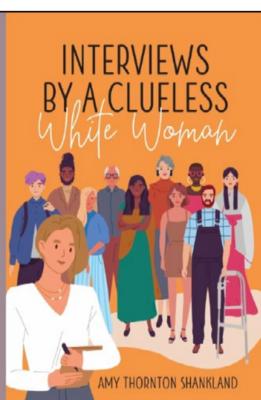
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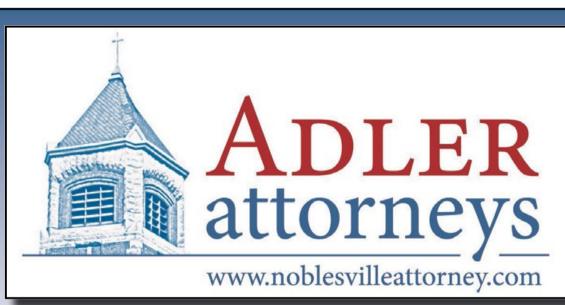
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The Westfield Redevelopment Commission will meet at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022, in the Assembly Room at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St., Westfield.

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### TODAY'S BIBLE READING

For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them in chains of darkness to be held for judgment; if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, but protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others; if he condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by burning them to ashes, and made them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly; and if he rescued Lot, a righteous man, who was distressed by the depraved conduct of the lawless (for that righteous man, living among them day after day, was tormented in his righteous soul by the lawless deeds he saw and heard)—if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials and to hold the unrighteous for punishment on the day of judgment. This is especially true of those who follow the corrupt desire of the flesh and despise authority.

2 Peter 2:4-10 (NIV)

#### Robert John Spear March 17, 1958 - October 5, 2022

Robert John Spear, 64, Westfield, passed away on October 5, 2022. He was born March 17, 1958, in Tacoma, Wash., son of Robert

and Elaine (Beck) Brecka. Robert (Bobby) lived most of his life in East Chicago, Ind. Following his mother's death, he was cared for in a group home located in North Vernon, Ind., until health issues required skilled nursing services in Maple Park Village, Westfield.

Bobby was a very special guy who loved his family, and they were blessed to share many happy memories with him through the years. He will be sadly missed by his family and caregivers.

Private arrangements will be made at a later date. Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to serve the Spear

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### John Leslie Bolin July 7, 1932 - October 2, 2022

As I look to the heavens and smile at the sky, Within me I know I was born to fly.

John Leslie Bolin, 90, passed away Sunday, October 2, 2022, in Westfield, with his loving wife by his side. He was born at home in Farmer City, Ill., on July 7, 1932, the son of Leslie and Inez Bolin (White). John graduated from Moore High

School in Farmer City. He worked at Morgan Shell Station, within walking distance from his family home. He also clerked at Lou Gottlieb clothing store in Farmer City before enlisting in the Navy where he served four years as a navigator on a sea plane. This experience instilled his love of flying. While owning a gas station in Corpus Christi, Texas, John took flight school night

classes. He gave up his childhood dream of being a cowboy, and at age 30, became the youngest pilot ever to be hired at Eastern Airlines. Captain Bolin flew the Boeing 727 and the Lockheed 1011 aircrafts, one of which he piloted for the Stephen King television mini-series, The Langoliers.

John married the love of his life, Karen Molnar, on October 31, 1990, in Reno, Nev., and she survives. Together, they lived life to the fullest as they traveled the world with Air Lanka; John as pilot and Karen as his social director.

Cars were also a passion of John. He and Karen drove extensively, visiting friends and family throughout the U.S. A favorite trip was driving Route 66 across the country. In his retirement, he enjoyed selling cars.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by a brother, Richard Bolin; and two sisters, Divona Wrather and Charlotte Castor.

Survivors include his wife, Karen; two daughters, Cheryl Kay (Charmagne) Pfoff and Judy O'Kelley; two brothers, Gerald (Betty) White, and Paul (Ellen) Bolin; three brothers-in-law, Joe Machnik, Joseph Dominczyk, Jr., and Fred Wrather; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Heartfelt thanks to John's caregivers and special family friends, Don and Judy Ackerson.

John was known for his positive attitude and his passion for life. This was an inspiration for everyone who knew him. He loved to tell stories of his flying experiences and often reflected on his life ... "A life well lived."

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Soccer

## Millers 'Find a Way,' power through to regional finals

By RICHARD TORRES

For the Reporter

#### NOBLESVILLE

A year ago, the Class 3A Noblesville Millers' team motto centered on the finer details, a "Sweat the Small Stuff" philosophy which led to the program's first-ever state title.

This year, the revamped and reigning 3A state champion Millers are determined to "Always Find a Way." and they're proving it, as they attempt to become only the 10th repeat title winner in IHSAA state tournament history.

In a grueling 80-minute tug-of-war with 3A No. 14 Warsaw on Wednesday, the host 3A No. 7 Millers seized an early 1-0 lead in the 16th minute and with 61 seconds left in the game broke a 1-1 stalemate to win 2-1 and advance into Saturday's Kokomo regional final.

shoulder, the Millers' quest towards a potential repeat of foul calls against, which run has been a test of perseverance and belief, and it's netted nine consecutive (15-4-1) favor. state tournament victories, dating back to 2021.

to be bad again. Last year's nandez-Martinez in the 35th team was passing the torch minute that slipped past going to keep the legacy going," Noblesville junior Sam Holland said. "Everyone kept doubting us, but ers and Tigers combined for we're still here. We're still in the tournament and we're proving everyone wrong."

Already avenging their rival No. 5 Hamilton Southeastern with a 3-0 win in the Fishers Sectional finals this past Saturday, the Millers netted a fifth straight victory with two crucial goals against Warsaw from their two-top scorers.

An unassisted goal by senior Sam Divis in the 16th minute put the Millers ahead in the first half, as the forward broke down a pair of defenders before firing the ball past a diving Nehemiah Wright in goal.

From there, the pressure A team with a chip on its mounted for the Millers (13-3-3), who faced a litany steadily tipped the momentum slightly in the Tigers' ed a handful of potential

"We weren't ever going free kick by Dennis Herdown to us, and we were Millers goalkeeper Cole Thompson, who recorded two saves overall.

In the first half, the Millseven shots and 13 fouls, but those numbers changed in the final 40 minutes.

Whistled for nearly a 2-1 regular-season loss to dozen fouls in the second half, the Millers were forced to reconfigure their attack, as the Tigers took control of the midfield and Holland was issued a yellow card in the 58th minute.

"Our boys' resolve to deal with all the elements that were brought their way tonight, I think, was amazing. It's tough being a high schooler and having to deal with that amount of mental toughness, and I think our boys being able to kind of work through that, and score with a minute to go, is just phenomenal," Millers head coach Ken Dollaske

The Tigers were awardgo-ahead free-kick opportu-Warsaw's lone goal nities, but the Millers' back came off a bending direct line of Blake Horn, Luke



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Noblesville's Sam Divis gets a high-five from Millers students after scoring a goal during Noblesville's regional semi-final game with Warsaw on Wednesday. The Millers beat the Tigers 2-1 to advance to Saturday's regional championship at Kokomo.

Reason clamped down, net." while the offense found its

"We kept fighting. We didn't let the calls get in our heads or anything else. We

chance, and it materialized with overtime looming late

a majority of the second half. I didn't want anything to happen where he gets a second one and we're playsaid. "With about 10 minutes to go, I looked at him and said, 'Now is your time.

"We were prophetic on that one. Right place at the right time."

game-winning The goal unfolded as senior Jake Johns, the lone varsity starter from 2021, challenged Wright with a hard shot with less than 1:30 remaining that the goalkeeper couldn't secure.

As the ball bounced away, Holland charged in, lining a shot into the open net with 1:01 left on the clock.

"It felt good. We were hanging in. We were fighting and kept going, then I finally got my break," Holland said. "I knew it was going to bounce because it was slippery out there, and I

Odle, Owen Mejia and Max knew I just had to crash the ton, 5-0, at semistate.

Earlier this season, Sam's older brother, Spencer, had his jersey retired after scoring 44 career goals, including his last in the kept playing," Holland said. Millers' 3-1 win over Car-Holland just needed a mel in the state finals last October.

"There's a good legacy here. I'm hoping I can retire "Since he got the yellow my jersey, too," Holland card earlier in the game, said. "Every step is import-I was holding him out for ant to us because we want to prove everyone wrong. At the beginning of the season we were ranked 15th in the state because we (graduating down a man," Dollaske ed) everyone. We wanted to prove everyone wrong after that. We're still here.'

The Millers will trav-I can feel it. You're going el to Kokomo on Saturday to get one.' And then, he to face Fort Wayne Carroll looked back and me and (12-4-1) for the regional said, 'I completely agree, title at 4:30 p.m. Carroll defeated Harrison 4-2 on Wednesday night during their regional semifinal to advance.

In the 2021 regional title game, Noblesville eliminated Fort Wayne Northrop 5-0 before defeating Chester-

No. 15 Penn (12-4-4) potentially stands in their way this year, as the Kingsmen defeated No. 17 Goshen, 5-4, in their regional semifinal pod to move into the final where they will face either Lake Central or Portage on Saturday.

The Millers, however aren't concerned about who they play, just how they compete.

"It is a completely different team. The only starter that returned from last year is Jake Johns, and he's been injured for probably three-quarters of the season. It is basically an entire new 11 guys, and we're trying to do something that is very difficult to do," Dollaske

"Last year, our team motto was 'Sweat the Small Stuff,' to make sure every little detail mattered no matter how small. This year, it's 'Always Find a Way,' and at the end of the game, I said, 'Hey, did we find a way tonight?' And the answer was 100 percent, 'Yes, we did."



Noblesville's Sam Holland scored the go-ahead goal for the Millers with a minute left in the game.





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Lake Central 1, Portage 0 (5-3 PK)

Penn 5, Goshen 4

Fort Wayne Carroll 4, Harrison 2

Noblesville 2, Warsaw 1

Carmel 1, Pike 0

Cathedral 2, East Central 1 (2-1 PK)

Columbus North 3, Center Grove 1

Floyd Central 1, Jasper 0 (3-2 PK)

**REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRINGS** 

At Penn

Lake Central vs. Penn, 4 p.m.

At Kokomo

Fort Wayne Carroll vs. Noblesville, 4:30 p.m. At Carmel Carmel vs. Cathedral, 4:30 p.m. At Bloomington South

Columbus North vs. Floyd Central, 4:30 p.m.

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6:40 pm

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Traders Point at Indianapolis Lutheran | Indiana SRN

7:00 pm Franklin Central at Westfield | HCTV Sports

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## 'Hounds hold Red Devils at bay in regional semi-final

By RICHIE HALL

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**CARMEL** – The Carmel boys soccer team will get one more game at Murray Stadium this season.

The Class 3A No. 1-ranked Greyhounds hosted Regional semi-final 4 Wednesday, taking on a very tough team, No. 8-ranked Pike. But Carmel scored in the first half, then held off the Red Devils with strong defense to win 1-0.

The 'Hounds thus advanced to the championship game, which they will host at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

"This senior group gets to play one last home game here on Murray," said Greyhounds coach Shane Schmidt.

"It's pretty awesome. I love playing at our home field," said Davis Dilling, one of Carmel's seniors. Dilling was the offensive hero of the game, as he scored the Greyhounds' goal in the game's 26th minute. Will Latham had the ball and played it to Dilling, who kicked it in for the easy score.

"It was kind of a confusing situation for me, because I wasn't sure if I should take a touch and then shoot it, or just shoot it right away," said Dilling. "So I just pulled the trigger and let it go."

"He was right there to slot it home," said Schmidt. "We work on stuff like that in trainings, and pattern plays and passing patterns, and different run patterns and stuff like that that we do," said Schmidt. "He did his job and I'm super proud of him. I'm super happy for him that he gets the game winner on a night like tonight."

The Greyhounds had other chances throughout the game, and so did Pike. Carmel's defense stayed firm for the entire 80 minutes, with Adam Keleher making a couple big stops as goalkeeper.

"That's a difficult team to shut out," said Schmidt. "I'm super proud of my



Reporter photo by Richie Hall Carmel's Davis Dilling scored the Greyhounds' goal during their regional semi-final game with Pike Wednesday at Murray Stadium. Carmel won 1-0 and will host Cathedral in Saturday's regional

organized and they did everything that they needed to do to keep a zero on the scoreboard for the other team, a team as good as them."

championship game.

Carmel improved to 15-2-3 with the win, and has won its last nine games. During that streak, the Greyhounds have allowed only two goals. Schmidt also pointed out that it was the only time this season Pike lost to a team defense. I'm super proud of the fact from Indiana. The Red Devils finished over East Central on Wednesday.

that they communicated and stayed their season 16-2-3, with their other loss coming to Oak Park-River Forest (Ill.)

> "They're a good team," said Schmidt. "They're dangerous. I'm proud of my boys for what they did tonight and how they played and they stuck with it."

> Carmel will play Cathedral in the regional championship game on Saturday. The Irish won their regional semi-final in a penalty kick shootout

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### Thursday, Oct. 13

**GIRLS SOCCER** Regional semi-final 4 Homestead at Noblesville, 6 p.m. Regional semi-final 5 Brownsburg at Carmel, 6 p.m. Regional semi-final 12

Bellmont at Hamilton Heights, 6 p.m. **VOLLEYBALL** 

Sectional 8 at Southeastern

Zionsville vs. Fishers, 6 p.m. Southeastern vs. Carmel, 7:30 p.m. Sectional 27 at Guerin Catholic Guerin Catholic vs. Herron, 6 p.m. Heritage Christian vs. Bishop Chatard, 7:30 p.m. Sectional 43 at Park Tudor Cascade vs. University, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, Oct. 14 FOOTBALL

Avon at Noblesville, 7 p.m. Brownsburg at Southeastern, 7 p.m. Culver Academies at Guerin Catholic, 7 p.m. Fishers at Zionsville, 7 p.m. Franklin Central at Westfield, 7 p.m. Lawrence Central at Carmel, 7 p.m. Sheridan at Carroll, 7 p.m. Lafayette Central Catholic at Heights, 7:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, Oct. 15 **BOYS SOCCER REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

At Carmel

Carmel vs. Cathedral, 4:30 p.m. At Kokomo

Noblesville vs. Fort Wavne Carroll, 4:30 p.m. **CROSS COUNTRY REGIONALS** 

Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Heights, Sheridan, University, Westfield at Noblesville, 10:30 a.m.

Fishers, Southeastern at Taylor University, 10:30 a.m. VOLLEYBALL

Sectional 8 at Southeastern

Noblesville vs. Zionsville-Fishers winner, 11 a.m. Westfield vs. Southeastern-Carmel, winner, 12:30 p.m. Championship, 7 p.m.

Sectional 27 at Guerin Catholic

Shortridge vs. Guerin Catholic-Herron winner, 11 a.m. Heights vs. Heritage Christian-Bishop Chatard winner, 12:30 p.m.

> Championship, 7 p.m. Sectional 43 at Park Tudor

Park Tudor vs. Covenant Christian, 11 a.m. Sheridan vs. Thursday winner, 12:30 p.m. Championship, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, Oct. 21 **FOOTBALL**

Sectional 28 games

Bishop Chatard at Northwestern, 7 p.m. Heights at Maconaquah, 7 p.m. Guerin Catholic at Oak Hill, 7 p.m. Tippecanoe Valley at Peru, 7 p.m. Sectional 45 games Union City at Sheridan, 7 p.m.

Indiana Deaf at Tindley, 7 p.m. Wes-Del at Hagerstown, 7 p.m.

#### Fridav. Oct. 28 **FOOTBALL**

Sectional 3 games Fishers at Fort Wayne Northrop, 7 p.m. Homestead at Southeastern, 7 p.m. Sectional 4 games

Westfield at Carmel, 7 p.m. Zionsville at Noblesville, 7 p.m.





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