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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Sunny morning. Partly sunny afternoon.
 Tonight: Partly cloudy.
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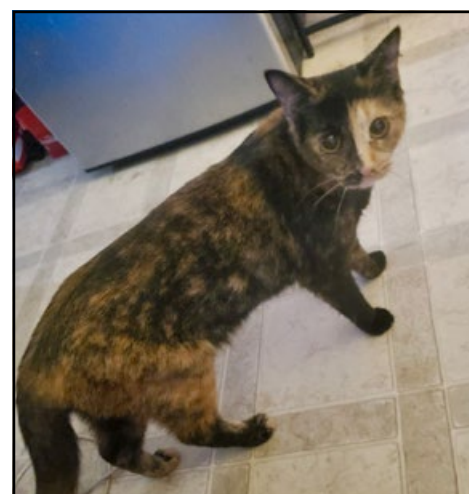


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(ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen and Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch listen intently during Thursday's mental health discussion held at Noblesville Fire Station 71. (ABOVE RIGHT) Prevail Inc. Executive Director Tami Wanninger explains the role her organization plays in helping victims of domestic violence with their mental health.

State & local leaders work on mental health issues

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch & Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen host roundtable discussion

The REPORTER

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch joined Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen on Thursday at Noblesville Fire Station 71 for a mental health discussion with community leaders.

The attendees included Noblesville Common Council President Darren Peterson, Noblesville Common Council Vice President Megan Wiles, Noblesville Police Chief John Mann, Noblesville Fire Chief Matt Mitchell, and those who work in healthcare, at nonprofits, and other local organizations.

Attendees discussed the critical work they are doing at the local level, underscoring the significant impact of their efforts. They emphasized the importance of partnerships between

other community organizations to help fill the gaps in care and services and how collaboration at the state, county, and local levels is critical to proactively helping more individuals in a mental health crisis or before they are in a crisis.

Lt. Gov. Crouch spoke on the importance of the work the state is doing, including her work on the Indiana Mental Health Roundtable, as well as offering resources to attendees on grant opportunities for local organizations that the state has to offer.

Mayor Jensen highlighted the life-saving work of the NobleACT team, a proactive and sustainable mental health

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Photo provided by City of Noblesville

Noblesville Police Sgt. Ben Lugar (center) speaks about the city's NobleAct program as Noblesville PD Social Worker Myechia Hudson (left) and Noblesville Police Chief John Mann (right) look on.

She's determined to find her kitty

Kris Stise, 32, is looking for her calico, Octavia.

Heartbroken, she has been searching for her cat in the Fishers neighborhood, Brooks Chase, for three weeks, caught in that heart-wrenching holding pattern between having a cat in a lap and a cat that's gone missing.

I first saw her hoofing it down a 131st Street sidewalk. A rust-colored newsboy hat covered her head. Strapped to her was an oversized backpack. An olive-colored jacket covered her skinny frame, despite the punishing July heat. Her head oscillated, as if at Wimbledon. Just another pedestrian getting from point A to point B, with no real story to tell, I thought.

A couple days later, she walked by my house. The backpack was actually a netted cat carrier. No cat inside. I'm a cat guy. I notice such things.

The empty carrier made me realize she had a story to tell.

"I still do not know how she got out. We have theories like maybe she got into the garage because we had to take the trash cans in," she says.

Posters are taped to light posts and mailboxes, sun-faded and ripped by the rain. Think Wild West wanted posters.

Missing Cat

Have you seen Me?

Octavia

Small cat with tortoiseshell coloring (black, brown and orange), yellow-orange eyes, a split down her face one side black, one side orange.
 Reward: \$100

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COLUMNIST



SCOTT SAALMAN
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Let these young actors lead you to Narnia



Reporter photo by Amy Adams

Basile Westfield Playhouse was packed Thursday for the opening night production of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Directed by Brandi Davis, the cast of 28 young actors took the audience to Narnia for an evening of fantasy and mystery. The play runs through July 28 at the Playhouse, located at 220 N. Union St., Westfield. Go to BasileWestfieldPlayhouse.org or call (317) 402-3341 for tickets.

Celebrate decade of 'Dancing with Our Stars'

Annual event benefits Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County

The REPORTER

Get ready to watch local celebrities "cut the rug" performing dances from past decades as the 10th annual Dancing with Our Stars returns to the Embassy Suite by Hilton in Noblesville. Set for Thursday, Sept. 5 from 6 to 9:30 p.m., Community Health Network is the presenting sponsor for the fourth consecutive year.

To celebrate the 10th anniversary, this year's event will have a "decades" theme in which dancers will showcase styles from the 1930s through the 2010s. Guests are encouraged to dress according to their favorite decade.

"I am excited for our 10th annual Dancing with Our Stars event," said Beth Gehlhausen, executive director of Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County. "Every year just keeps getting better and better! The level of commitment along with the 'wow factor' demonstrated by our dancing couples is always 'off the charts' and will completely mesmerize the crowd."

The annual event is the largest fundraiser for the organization that delivers more than 200 meals daily including breakfasts, freezer meals, cold lunches and hot meals to those who are elderly, disabled, or homebound. Recently Meals



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on Wheels of Hamilton County launched a visiting volunteers program; in addition to delivering food, volunteers visit with homebound Hamilton County residents twice a month.

"We have some special tricks up our sleeves for our 10th-year event," Gehlhausen said. "The professional dancers

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IndyShorts helps give local filmmakers shot at stardom

By ANNA MITCHELL
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Indy Shorts International Film Festival is running July 23 through 28. It is made possible by the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and presented by Heartland Film. For seven years, the festival has brought together local and global filmmakers.

The short films are 40 minutes or less. The festival presents them to viewers in different themed programs such as "comedy" or "horror." They are judged within a different set of categories: narrative, documentary, animated, Indy Spotlight, and High School Film Competition.

A jury is designated for each category, and they distribute over \$30,000 in the form of cash prizes each year. Amongst other awards, Indy Shorts offers Grand Prizes for the narrative, documentary, and animated categories. Shorts awarded the Grand Prize receive their Academy Award qualification.

In the Indiana Spotlight Program, the festival highlights films involving Indiana. Many feature Hamilton County.

• *Bike Story* (Indiana Spotlight 1 Program) – Production took place in

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HEALTH

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collaboration that strengthens community-based responses through partnerships with the police and fire departments and area service providers. The NobleACT team is leading the way in statewide and community paramedicine. This program is a blueprint for the Indiana Community Cares Grant Pilot Program, passed by the Indiana General Assembly in the 2024 legislative session.

Lt. Gov. Crouch met Luna and Sadie, two of the three therapy K9s for the City of Noblesville. Luna is part of the NobleACT team and responds to mental health calls with her handler, Sgt. Ben Lugar of Noblesville PD. Sadie is the city's officer wellness K9 therapy dog, working alongside her handler, Sgt. Brice Swart of Noblesville PD.

The conversation was

not only candid and productive but also impactful, leaving community leaders with valuable resources and ideas to consider as they continue their crucial work in helping those in need of mental health care.

Groups represented at the Mental Health Discussion included:

- Aspire Indiana
- City of Noblesville
- Frontline Counseling
- Good Samaritan Network
- Hamilton County Health Dept.
- Ignite Transform
- Noblesville Common Council
- Noblesville Diversity Coalition
- Noblesville Public Safety (Police, Fire, and NobleACT)
- Pathways to Healing Counseling
- Prevail
- Riverview Health Foundation
- Shepard Center of Hamilton County
- State of Indiana



Photos provided by City of Noblesville

(ABOVE LEFT) Hamilton County Health Department Health Education Specialist Jim Ginder speaks to other attendees about the partnership the Health Department has with other agencies and organizations within Hamilton County. **(ABOVE RIGHT)** Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch gets a smooch from Noblesville Police K9 Luna, as Officer Ben Lugar smiles and looks on.

INDYSHORTS

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Noblesville; directed by Rocky Walls.

• *From; To* (Indiana Spotlight 1 Program) – Film shot in Zionsville; directed by Lee Durham.

• *The Invisible Crown* (Indiana Spotlight 1 Program) – Director Amelia Kramer is from Westfield.

• *The Sugarman* (Indiana Spotlight 2 Program) – One of the subjects, Dr. John Abrams of Abrams Eyecare, lives in Carmel.

In the short film *The Invisible Crown*, director Amelia Kramer tells Hannah Myers Lindgren's story and her battle with Endometriosis. Although the film handles a heavy topic, Kramer said Lindgren's story has hope and healing.

"It's heavy, but it's not

filled with despair," Kramer said. "There's a lot of hope and gratitude and those kinds of emotions as well as healing in this story. It does start out with some heaviness of just her journey of being dismissed in the medical industry for so long, and then this story is sort of a story of empowerment and hope in finding healing."

Kramer said she hopes people with Endometriosis feel seen after watching the film and others without the disease will understand it better and have more empathy for those with chronic illnesses.

The Invisible Crown is Kramer's directorial debut. She said the work was hard but fun, and she got to work with a great team. Her own

film journey started when she was a kid, putting together music videos and playing around with her dad's recorder.

"It's a huge honor because Indy shorts is one of the best shorts festivals in the country," Kramer said. "That we have it here in Indianapolis is a huge honor. That my first project was accepted to an Oscar-qualifying festival is really exciting."

On a hunt for typewriters, director of *Bike Story* Rocky Walls came across some vintage bicycles. He wondered if his friend, Joe Rudy, would be interested in restoring the bikes and giving them a second life.

Rudy agreed, and they started filming in 2022.

They set the scene in Cicero at "Rudy's Bike Shop," where Rudy showed how he restored bikes and brought the past back to the present.

"The movie doesn't really become about opening a bike shop," Walls said. "The movie becomes about how bicycles – and just the idea of some of the things in our past – can still bring us happiness and can still connect us with our community. In the end you get a great sense of that. You get a great sense of 'wow.' There are these things, whether it's bicycles or some art that I used to be interested in doing, or these certain types of books that I used to read, or these people that I used to spend more time with – you get



that sense and you want to return to it because maybe you could bring some good into your life."

Walls said that Rudy's personality and genuine love for the people around him seeped into the film.

To view these short films, you can buy your tickets at tinyurl.com/IndyShorts2024Schedule. You

can then see the films at one of Indy Short's locations:

- Living Room Theaters, 745 E. 9th St., Suite 810, Indianapolis, from July 23 to 28
- Newfields (The Tobias Theater, The Amphitheater & The Beer Garden at Garden Terrace), 4000 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis, from July 24 to 28



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FIND HER KITTY

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"I raised her ever since she was really tiny. I love her to bits," says Kris. "She's my baby."

I tell her my wife and I will add \$100 to the reward. We are cat people. \$200 now. How can we not fatten the kitty?

She dwells on the missing state of her cat almost nonstop.

"I think about how she's so affectionate, how she loves being held, and how she likes climbing on shoulders," she says. "I think about how silly she is and how she runs around and how she comes every morning and meows at me while I'm in bed, as if to say, 'Hey, good morning, wake up.'"

She diligently scans the subdivision's yards, grassy banks along strips of water, playgrounds, and cul-de-sacs. She navigates narrow streets with names plucked from American history textbooks: Freedom Drive, Old Glory Drive, Patriotic Way, Allegiance Drive, Republic Drive, Courage Crossing, All American Road. Passersby, aware of her plight, inquire of her luck. Neighborhood kids greet her, share their concern. She's touched by their sincerity.

"Originally, I was out at all times," she says. "Now I do it mostly in the morning and evening. They say that the peak times to look for lost cats are between midnight and two in the morning, and four in the morning to six. It's really hard to get up during those times, but I've consistently been



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It's been three weeks, and Kris Stise is still looking for her cat Octavia.

pretty good at it. I have a flashlight at night. I try to look for her face shine."

Kris' phone number appears on the posters. She's received some calls. She has contacted animal shelters and resorted to social media. Strangers have tweeted helpful tips. Put the smelliest cat food outside. Put her litter box outside. Her blankets, too. A motion sensor light has been installed in her front yard.

"I've gotten a couple neighbor cats that come in the garage now," she laughs. "I don't mind if they eat her food. There's this old wives' tale: if you're nice to the strays and you've lost your cat, they might bring it back to you."

Several scammers have spread their slime, claiming to be "animal control." We have your cat, she's told. To get Octavia back, just enter a verification code and send

gift cards, she's instructed. Kris is too tech savvy to fall for such grifts.

Research tells that escaped house cats tend to stay close to home, but Kris worries about the unfortunate timing of Octavia's initial disappearance. She went missing June 26. Fourth of July begins a week or so early in patriotic Brooks Chase. Fireworks and firecrackers can play havoc on a cat's otherwise strong homing instincts. The offal is reportedly toxic to animals.

She regrets knowing Octavia doesn't have a collar or ID tag and isn't microchipped.

Three weeks now. Octavia remains a gone cat. Kris remains undeterred.

"For the first two weeks, I basically cried every day. I cried yesterday too, so it's not done. It's not like I've given up. I'm just more determined than ever

to find her, but I also know that I can't live like that," she says. "I think about it all the time and I want to, like, always keep her in my memory because, say, I never find her. I never want to forget her. She's that important. But I'm going to find her. Yeah, I'm determined. I'm determined to find my cat. If you see my sweet girl, please let me know. If you can find her and bring her back to me, it will mean the world to me."

Since we last talked, I still see Kris Stise on the sidewalks, like a tightrope walker trying to sustain balance, still wearing her newsboy cap, her jacket, her empty cat carrier. I hope to stop seeing her. Well, except to hand over \$100 as a cat rides her shoulders.

Contact Kris at Kstise237@gmail.com or Scott at scottsaa@gmail.com

DANCING

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are working hard to bring out the very best in each of our celebrity dancers. This is an experience you will not want to miss!"

This event features local professional dancers paired with some of Hamilton County's most-recognizable residents competing for the ultimate prize of being titled "Dancing with Our Stars Champions 2024." Audience members can also get into the action and vote for their favorite dancer or dancers to win the night's People's Choice Award. Each vote assists in bringing dancers closer to that title.

Professional dancers include: Rob Jenkins, Scott Shook, Adam Trogden, Ed Godby-Schwab, Xavier Medina, Natasha Cox, Yulia Shook, Diana Miller, Olga Cansino, and Kristen Motz.

Hamilton County "celebrities" include:

- Marti Brown – Mortgage Lender at Fairway Independent Mortgage
- Melissa Carter – Owner of Balanced Health Clinic
- Linda Mylin – Certified Health Coach
- Kate Adams – Owner of Lash & Brow Design Co.
- Kim Kerchval – Co-owner of Village Pizza
- Doug Pileri – Retired VP and Chairman of the Board of Music for All
- Trevor Pike – Controls Analyst for Freedom Mort-

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- Benji Lewis – Physical Education Teacher at Monon Trail Elementary

• Matt Rapp – Facilities Director for Hamilton Southeastern

• Eddie Rivers – Co-founder and President of Esource Resources

To register, purchase tickets, donate or vote visit mealsonwheelshc.org/dancing-with-our-stars. For more information contact Meals on Wheels at (317) 776-7159.

About Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County

Established in 1975, Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County supports individuals who are elderly, disabled and homebound by delivering nutritious meals, reducing hunger, improving health and promoting independence. Meals are prepared in state-approved healthcare facilities and designed by a certified registered dietitian under a physician's prescribed supervision according to the client's specific dietary needs. Nearly 200 meals are delivered daily by volunteers to enable our clients to remain independently living within the community in their own homes for as long as possible. For more information on receiving services or to volunteer, contact Meals on Wheels at (317) 776-7159.

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Carmel to cut the ribbon on Police Department expansion



Photo provided by City of Carmel

Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam will play host to a ribbon cutting for the recently completed expansion of the Carmel Police Department (CPD). The renovation and expansion of the CPD headquarters will support the necessary growth in police department infrastructure that corresponds with the city's increase in population over the past few decades. The addition will also house the Carmel City Court and Clerk's Office, as well as their associated programs that will serve the community for generations to come. The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 25 at the Police Department, 1000 S. Range Line Road.

Cicero Edward Jones branch office supports back-to-school supplies donation campaign

The REPORTER

Corey Sylvester, an Edward Jones financial advisor in Cicero, is supporting the collection of back-to-school supplies by serving as a drop-off location for the school supplies campaign.

"As our world becomes more global, competition within our younger generations continues to rise, emphasizing the importance of a quality education," Sylvester said. "We're proud to support the academic development of young minds in this community through this summer's school supply donation program."

Local residents and businesses may help others in the community by bringing in items to the Edward Jones branch office during regular business hours now through Aug. 15.



Sylvester

The branch address is 120 W. Jackson St., Cicero.

Please note that monetary donations cannot be accepted. Contributing to a cause and participating in or volunteering for a charity or charitable event is a personal decision and completely voluntary. Edward Jones and its associates cannot accept monetary donations, including gift cards.

Thanks for reading!

Crew Carwash to hold 15th Crew for Kids fundraiser

Carwash to partner with Big Brothers Big Sisters for fundraising event at all locations

The REPORTER

Crew Carwash, an Indiana-based family business, is partnering with Big Brothers Big Sisters for its 15th annual Crew for Kids fundraiser.

"Since 1948, Crew Carwash has consistently given back to our local communities, thanks to the support of our incredible teams," CEO Bill Dahm said. "We are proud to host Crew for Kids annually with Big Brothers Big Sisters to support the kids of Indiana and Minnesota."

As part of its Crew for Kids fundraiser, Crew will donate 50 percent of the proceeds from the Ultimate Wash to Big Brothers Big Sisters. The event will take place Saturday, July 27, at all 48 locations. Select Crew Carwash locations will host local officials, mascots, and other special guests on-site for the fundraiser. Crew will accept credit and cash donations at all locations and will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Funds raised will benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies that serve markets in which Crew has locations. The agencies to receive the proceeds from this fundraiser include Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Lafayette, Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Central



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Indiana, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Wabash Valley, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Minnesota, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bartholomew County and Big Brothers Big Sisters Twin Cities.

"As we approach our 15th annual Crew for Kids event, our team at Crew Carwash is excited to continue our support for Big Brothers Big Sisters," said Sally Grant, Executive Vice President of Crew Carwash. "We are honored to be a part of an initiative that offers impactful opportunities for youth in our community to reach their full potential."

Last year, Crew raised more than \$180,000 for Big

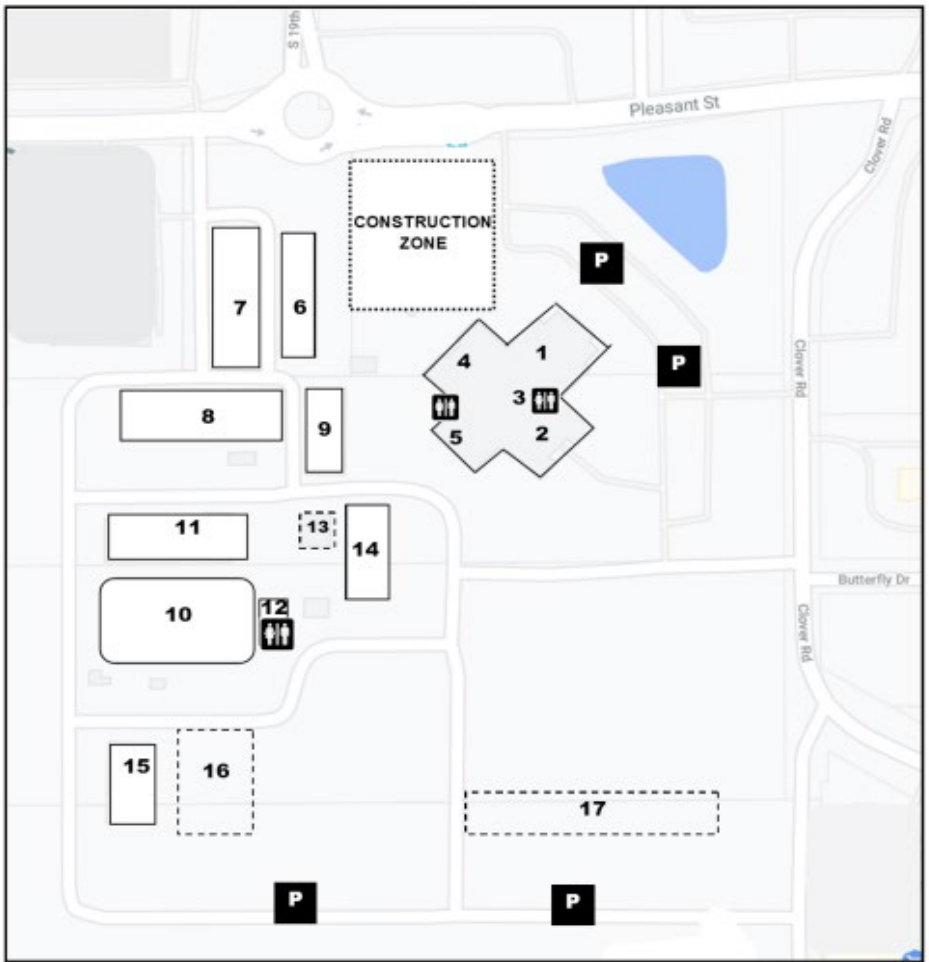
Brothers Big Sisters. In total, the company has raised over \$1,000,000 for the nonprofit since its inaugural Crew for Kids fundraiser in 2010.

To view event details and to RSVP, please visit the [Facebook event page](#).

To learn more about Crew, visit [crewcarwash.com](#). To learn more about Big Brothers Big Sisters, visit [bbbs.org](#).

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| 2. Exhibition Center Hall A | 10. Horse Arena |
| 3. Exhibition Center Hall B | 11. Llama Barn |
| 4. Exhibition Center Hall C | 12. Horse Tower |
| 5. Extension Homemakers Dining Room | 13. Master Gardener's Garden |
| 6. Small Animal Barn | 14. Swine Barn |
| 7. Sheep Barn | 15. Horse Barn |
| 8. Cattle & Goat Barn | 16. Make Up Arena |
| | 17. Tractor Pull Strip |

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SATURDAY, JULY 20

Pork Producers' Barbecue	11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue	5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers'	7:30 - 11 a.m. & 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Exhibits & Displays Open	10 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
4-H Public Speaking Contest	8:30 a.m.
4-H Swine Show	9 a.m.
4-H Llama Junior Showmanship	9:30 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Dressage	10 a.m.
4-H Demonstration Contest	11 a.m.
Antique Tractor Pull	1 p.m.
4-H Llama Field Obstacle	1:30 p.m.



Kids' Craft Activities	2 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Food & Craft Show	3 p.m.
4-H Cat Show	5 p.m.
4-H Dog Drill Team Demonstration	5 p.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Contesting Show	6 p.m.
Homemade Ice Cream Contest	6:30 p.m.
Walk-A-Llama	7 p.m.
Youth Swine Exhibition	7 p.m.
The Grace Scott Band	8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 21

Sheep Producers' Barbecue	11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue	5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers'	7:30 - 11 a.m. & 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Exhibits & Displays Open	10 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
4-H Sheep Wool Judging	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Hunter & Jumper Show	10 a.m.
4-H Sheep Show	10 a.m.
4-H Pocket Pet Show	12 p.m.
Caravan Classes Kids' Crafts	12 - 4 p.m.
4-H Lawn & Garden Tractor Contest	1 p.m.
Walk-A-Llama	1 p.m.



Gilbert Family Gospel Band	2 p.m.
Youth Pedal Tractor Pull	2 p.m.
4-H Parents' Llama Show	2:30 p.m.
Kids' Craft Activities	4 p.m.
Youth Sheep Exhibition	4:30 p.m.
Antique Tractor Parade	5 p.m.
4-H Food & Microwave Auction	5 p.m.
Pet Parade	5 p.m.
Farmer Olympics	6 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 22

Beef Producers' Barbecue	11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue	5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers'	7:30 - 11 a.m.



Exhibits & Displays Open	10 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.	4-H Llama Youth Judging	10 a.m.
4-H Beef Show	9 a.m.	Youth Talent Contest	2 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.
4-H 1/16th Tractor Pull	9:30 a.m.	Royal Showmanship	3 p.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Versatility Show	10 a.m.	Supreme Showmanship	7 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 23

4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION 5:30 P.M.

HAMILTON COUNTY 4-H FAIR

FOOD MENU

<p>Producer Tent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corn on the Cob • Thursday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dairy • Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Rabbit, Poultry • Saturday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Pork • Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Sheep • Monday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Beef 	<p>Farm Bureau</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milkshakes • Milk 	<p>Junior Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza • Hot Dogs • Coke Products • Chips
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FOOD MENU

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Silvernates—Elephant Ears 2. Fishers Baptist Church—Gyros, Cakes, Fried Oreos Lemon Shake Ups 3. Fishers UMC—Tenderloin, Fruit Cobbler, Ice cream 4. First Christian Church—Corn Dogs, Sloppy Joes, Shrimp, Chicken Nuggets, Breadsticks 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. North Circle Church—Funnel 6. Husky Dawg Wrestling - Walking Tacos 7. Noblesville H & H—Novelty Candy 8. Ice Guys—SnoCones
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On top of the world



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David S. Grove was on top of the world, looking down on creation, and the only explanation he could find was the love that he found when Carmel's Midtown sun went down. It just put him on the top of the world.

Carmel's Isabel Gripp graduates Oberlin College

The REPORTER Isabel Renee Gripp of Carmel was among more than 600 students to cross the stage at the Oberlin College and Conservatory 2024 Commencement Ceremony in May. Gripp graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and History.

Carmel Sister Cities to hold Olympic Opening Ceremony viewing party in Midtown

The REPORTER The City of Carmel's six Sister Cities will hold a viewing party of the Opening Ceremonies of the 2024 Paris Olympics from noon to 4 p.m. on Friday, July 26 in Midtown Plaza. The viewing party is meant to promote global unity and awareness of Carmel's sister city relationships and cheer on all the Carmel Olympians. Be sure to wear your SwimCity, USA T-shirt if you have one. Shirts are available for purchase at All Things Carmel, 110 W. Main St. #104.

Support domestic violence victims at seventh annual More Than a Tailgate event

The REPORTER Join More Than a Tailgate for the seventh annual More Than a Tailgate from 12:30 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 6 at the Indiana Farm Bureau Football Center, 7001 W. 56th St., Indianapolis. This unforgettable event combines the excitement of football with a powerful cause: supporting survivors of domestic violence.

Event highlights

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- **Watch party:** Cheer on the Colts as they take on the Jacksonville Jaguars.
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ISO 2024-25 season tickets set to go on sale Monday

The REPORTER

Mark your calendars for Monday, July 22 when tickets go on sale to the public for the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra's (ISO) thrilling 2024-25 season.

The upcoming season features top names in classical music today, award-winning Pops artists, and innovative fusions – with the talented musicians of the ISO at the heart of it all. Buy tickets at IndianapolisSymphony.org.

Fresh from announcing Jun Märkl as the orchestra's eighth music director earlier this year, the ISO shares an exciting line-up for the 2024-25 season. The new season, beginning in September 2024, features eight debut artists and conductors, the return of former ISO Music Director Mario Venzago conducting Opening Night Gala, blockbuster names from the worlds of Classical and Pops, and so much more.

Click here to read the full 2024-25 Season brochure.

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Patrons may renew current subscriptions or become a new subscriber or purchase tickets after July 22 by visiting the ISO's website at IndianapolisSymphony.org, by phone at (317) 639-4300, by mail, or in person at the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office.

Among many of the benefits of becoming an ISO subscriber is advance ticket buying opportunities for and discounts to special events such as Opening Night Gala and the annual holiday tradition, AES Indiana *Yuletide Celebration*, and Kroger

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About the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra

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Clerical Error Productions presents *Curses! Soiled Again!* at 2024 IndyFringe Festival

Submitted

Clerical Error Productions is back for the sixth IndyFringe Festival with retro campy fun in *Curses! Soiled Again!* This IS your grandfather's Batman.

It's a dreary day in the Gotham City Home for the Evil Elderly. Mourning the death of their comrade in harm, The Joker, the arthritic arch villains cook up one last crooked caper to get revenge on their nemesis Batman, who is happily retired at Gotham Golden Acres.

Curses! Soiled Again! brings sight gags, hark backs, and a choreographed fight scene to lovers of classic comics and TV. **POW!**

Curses! Soiled Again! was written by Kate Duffy. David Molloy directs and Alicia Ana Hernandez-Roulet acts as assistant director and choreographer. Music is arranged and performed by JB Kapp with narration by Adam Crowe and sound design by Jon Lindley. Jonathan Lyberisse is stage manager, set designer, and make-up artist.

Actors and roles include:

- Bryan Ball as "Mr. Freeze"
- Stacy Long as "Nurse Stacy/Batgirl"
- Wendy Brown as "Poi-

son Ivy"

- Kendall Maxwell – "Catwoman"
- Tracy Herring as "Egghead"
- Gary Curto as "The Riddler"
- David Molloy as "The Penguin"
- Kate Duffy as "Catwoman"

The five *Curses! Soiled Again!* performances will be at the IndyFringe Basile Theatre, 719 E. St. Clair St., on Thursday, Aug. 15 at 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 17 at 11 a.m.; Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 24 at 5 p.m.; and Sunday, Aug. 25 at 5 p.m. See the full Indy Fringe schedule at indyfringe.org/festival.

A Mass Ave. and IndyFringe favorite since 2018, Clerical Error Productions is an Indianapolis-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit theatre company specializing in original comedy, vaudeville, and production assistance. Clerical Error Productions celebrate diversity, equity, and inclusion and does not discriminate against any age, ability level, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or religion. More information is available at ClericalErrorProductions.com.

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Selah's Grace Ministries raises \$18K in 5K run/walk

The REPORTER

Selah's Grace Ministries has announced the success of its recent 5K run/walk event, which raised an impressive \$18,000.

The funds will be directed toward supporting families who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss, providing them with much needed resources and comfort during their times of grief.

The event saw an outpouring of support from the community, with participants of all ages coming together to run, walk, and share in a day of unity and compassion. The funds raised will be used to support hospital bereavement programs, educate nursing students in perinatal bereavement care, and provide cherished keepsakes for families enduring the loss of a child.

"We are deeply grateful to everyone who participated, donated, and volunteered to make this event a success," Selah's Grace Ministries Co-Founder Emma Ping said. "The generosity and solidarity of your community are truly heartwarming, and these funds will make a significant difference in the lives of many families."

Selah's Grace Ministries extends heartfelt thanks to all sponsors, participants,

and volunteers who contributed to the event. Your support is vital in continuing the mission of offering solace and assistance to those who need it most.

In celebrating the achievement, Selah's Grace Ministries kindly asks for ongoing support. Donations are crucial in sustaining programs and expanding the reach to help more families in need. Contributions can be made at SelahsGrace.org or by mailing checks to 12702 E. 256th St., Cicero, IN 46034.

For more information about Selah's Grace Ministries and how you can help, please contact Emma Ping at selahsgraceministries@gmail.com or visit SelahsGrace.org.

About Selah's Grace Ministries

Selah's Grace Ministries is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing support and resources to families who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss. The organization's mission is to ensure that no family walks through their grief journey alone. Selah's Grace was founded by Robbie and Emma Ping after their daughter Selah Grace was stillborn August 6, 2018, in order to support families and provide a lasting legacy for their daughter they didn't get to bring home.




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NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS
Board Highlights
July 15, 2024 Meeting

Submitted by Noblesville Schools

The school board has responsibility for major district functions including school district governance and oversight, setting school policies, approving funding, strategic planning, and hiring and evaluating the superintendent.

- The board recognized spring athletes for outstanding accomplishments including: baseball, softball, track (unified, girls and boys), girls tennis, boys volleyball and boys golf.
- Updates were made to various policies.
- Vice President Stephanie Lambert was absent.

Go to noblesvilleschools.org/leadership/school-board for meeting agendas, minutes, videos, and more.



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INDOT's 421 Forward project in important traffic study phase

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Transportation's (INDOT) proposed 421 Forward project is in the middle of a critical phase of analyzing traffic, which will help inform the future design.

The project, located on U.S. 421 between Greenfield/Templin Road/121st Street up to County Road 300 South/146th Street, will help address driver and pedestrian mobility needs.

Before construction and full design work begins, the INDOT design team conducts a traffic analysis to determine what, if any, improvements should be made along the corridor. INDOT has partnered with American Structurepoint, a leading architecture and engineering firm, to provide design and analysis for the project.

For traffic studies like the one being conducted on the 421 Forward project, the design team assesses how a road is performing by evaluating both current day traffic and the expected performance of traffic in the future. The team says this analysis takes into consideration future growth of traffic related to population growth and planned developments



Photo illustration provided by INDOT

in the surrounding area.

The team examines how an intersection performs during typical peak morning and evening commute times. By using the latest software tools, American Structurepoint's engineers determine the level of service, delay, and queuing that drivers currently experience on a regular basis. The team then forecasts how additional traffic would

impact these traffic metrics at each intersection. These findings are used to recommend what types of road improvements can create a better, safer environment for drivers and pedestrians.

The team can analyze how the road and major intersections would perform with additional travel lanes, added turn lanes, traffic signal control, roundabouts, or other improvements. This

information is then used by the design team to determine what combination of improvements should be made to handle current and future traffic demands.

Once American Structurepoint completes the traffic analysis, the project moves to the design phase, which is anticipated to last through 2026. Visit 421Forward.com to learn more about the project.

Latest Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER State Road 37 & 141st Street

Preliminary construction work is underway at SR 37 and 141st Street. During this time pavement markings and concrete barriers will be placed. There will be no closures during this phase, only intermittent lane restrictions during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please note the continued lane restrictions on SR 37 North and South, approaching the 141st Street Interchange.

On or after July 22, the westside of 141st Street at SR 37 will close for this phase of construction. Traffic will transition to the eastside, with SR 37 north and south-bound lanes remaining open. This closure will remain in place throughout 2024.

Please review detour routes to plan ahead during this time (**141st Street, SR 37 West, and SR 37 East**). Thank you for your continued patience and remember to drive cautiously and safely through construction areas.

Find construction updates at 37thrives.com.

96th Street & Allisonville Road

Phase 3A of the project has begun, during which there will be a slight shift in traffic to allow the contractor to build the future driveway for the Circle K gas station.

On or after July 22, the contractor will move into Phase 3B and traffic will shift from the east side of

Allisonville Road to the west side and will continue to flow north and south. At this time, the driveway for Circle K constructed in Phase 3A will be accessible. [Click here](#) to see a map.

Road resurfacing projects

The contractor is continuing work in the Fox Run and Hillsborough neighborhoods and will work on road resurfacing at the following locations the week of July 22:

- Walnut Creek on Fortune Drive between Andrews Place and Cumberland Road
- 131st Street and Promise Road

Residents should refrain from parking their vehicles on the street during active construction operations.

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.

For additional project information, view the Capital Project Dashboard [here](#).

View the Road Resurface Overview Map [here](#).

Roadways and neighborhoods are prioritized based on the PASER rating condition of their pavement. You can see a map [here](#).

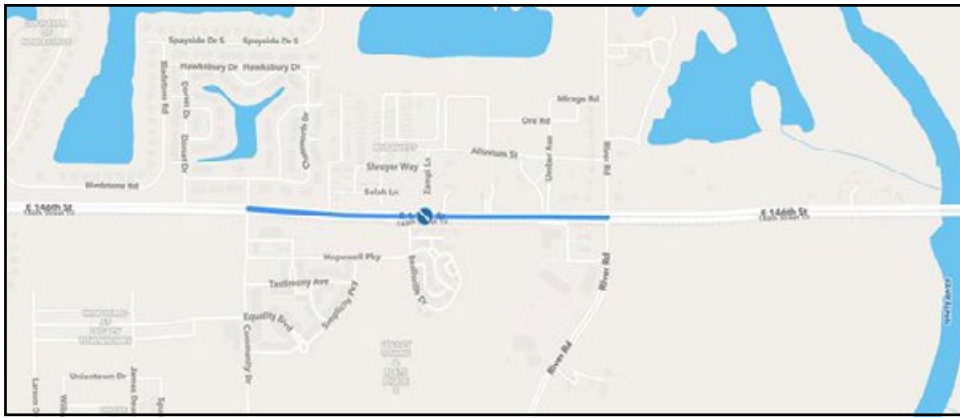
Lane closures coming to 146th Street

The REPORTER

Beginning on or after Monday, July 22, 146th Street will experience intermittent lane restrictions between Community Drive and River Road.

Crews will be working to install new storm sewer components in preparation for the resurfacing of 146th Street between Hazel Dell Parkway and the White River. Once work has started, lane restrictions are scheduled to last 10 days.

Expect traffic along this



Graphic provided

section of 146th Street to

each direction while construction crews are active.

All lanes will reopen during non-working hours.

Latest Carmel road construction updates

The REPORTER Spring Mill Road & Interstate 465

On Thursday, a truck carrying heavy equipment on I-465 westbound struck the bridge at Spring Mill Road. The Indiana Department of

Transportation is conducting inspection of the bridge.

Spring Mill Road will remain closed between 96th Street and Illinois Street until approved for safe travel by INDOT. I-465 is open for travel.

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Grants available for urban forestry projects

The REPORTER

Applications are now open for grants to fund urban forestry projects throughout Indiana.

Projects including tree planting, tree inventories with management plans, urban tree canopy assessments, and storm response planning are fundable through these grants. Funds are awarded on a reimbursable basis and a one-to-one match is required.

Administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Division of Forestry's Community & Urban Forestry program, the funding is available through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service Ur-

ban & Community Forestry program.

There are three different grant opportunities available. Applicants may apply for more than one grant but receiving funding for more than one grant is not guaranteed.

All application materials are available for download at on.IN.gov/cuf by clicking on CUFA grants at the top of the page. Applications are due Sept. 4. Funding announcements will be made by Oct. 4.

Additional information is available from Jacob Roos, community and urban forestry director, DNR Division of Forestry, by calling (317) 234-4386 or emailing jroos@dnr.IN.gov.

Indiana State Fair unveils 15 new attractions

The REPORTER

The Indiana State Fair returns Aug. 2 to 18, and this year the Fair has added more new experiences and more excitement with an array of captivating attractions and events. From water play to outdoor cinema, animal adventures, and adrenaline-pumping shows, there's something for everyone.

Here's a sneak peek at what's new at the 2024 Indiana State Fair. All these attractions and events are free for fairgoers to enjoy with paid fair admission.

- State Fair Splash Pad
- Gold & Glory 100th Anniversary: Aug. 2
- Celebrating the Beatles: Aug. 3
- Illuminate! Outdoor Lantern Exhibit (outdoor lantern display with more than 14 oversized structures with lighting)
- Outdoor Movie Theatre
- Momma Town Live

Birthing Center

- Great American Duck Race
- Pogo Fred
- Chris Lantz of Extreme Sculpting
- WTHR Olympic Zone - Paris
- Artscape! Where Imagination Grows Exhibit (immersive exhibit curated by Newfields)

- DockDogs presented by T-Mobile
- 406 FMX High Air Tour
- Baby Animal Feeding Adventure
- Lore & Tall Tales at the Indiana History Train

A complete list of all things to enjoy during this year's State Fair can be found at IndianaStateFair.com. Tickets to the 2024 Indiana State Fair are available now at IndianaStateFair.com. The State Fair runs Aug. 2 to 18 and is closed Mondays.

AG Rokita co-leads 17 states defending Indiana teacher's religious liberty against required use of preferred pronouns

Submitted by Office of the Attorney General



Rokita

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is co-leading 17 states in asking a federal appeals court to rule in favor of the religious liberty of a former Brownsburg High School teacher forced to resign because he declined to use the preferred names and pronouns of transgender students – an action that violated the teacher's sincerely held beliefs.

John Kluge, who taught orchestra, was originally permitted to call all his students by their last names so transgender students would not feel singled out. The school district, however, withdrew its initial approval and insisted Kluge use students' preferred names and pronouns.

Leveraging the voices of likeminded attorneys general from other states to empower parents, AG Rokita is asking the 7th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals to overturn a lower court's ruling that the school district could not accommodate Kluge's religious beliefs without experiencing "undue hardship."

"By addressing all students by their last names, this teacher conscientiously worked to treat everyone

equally and respectfully while also staying faithful to his own religious convictions," AG Rokita said. "But no concession short of full surrender will placate the powerful forces devoted to making sure we all march in lockstep with the trans-identity agenda."

In rejecting Kluge's attempts at a compromise, school leaders cited litigation risks under Title IX and concern for the educational environment. Such concerns, Rokita said, should not override the First Amendment's protection of religious liberty in this case.

"Title IX does not mandate the use of a student's preferred name or pronoun," AG Rokita said. "Nor does requiring use of preferred names and pronouns help schools fulfill their academic mission. To the contrary, kicking this teacher to the curb sends students the wrong messages about America's heritage of respecting religion. And, at a time when teachers are in short supply, this kind of intolerance of faith among faculty members is sure to push additional good teachers out of the classroom."

[Click here](#) to read the amicus brief.

Ascension Medical Group welcomes new breast surgeon

Dr. Christina Kim now serving patients at Ascension St. Vincent Fishers & Kokomo

The REPORTER

Ascension St. Vincent in Indiana welcomes Breast Surgeon Christina Kim, MD to the Ascension Medical Group team at Ascension St. Vincent in Fishers and Kokomo.

Dr. Kim is a board-certified general surgeon with advanced training in surgical oncology. She brings to the team 20 years of experience as a breast surgical oncologist.

Dr. Kim will diagnose and treat adults with a variety of breast-related conditions, ranging from benign issues to high-risk prevention and breast cancers. With a multi-disciplinary approach at Ascension, she works with a team of spe-

cialists to deliver comprehensive, state-of-the-art care. She has a special interest in minimally invasive surgical approaches, promoting shorter hospital stays and quicker recovery for her patients.

"I understood early on how difficult it is for patients to navigate the complexities of cancer care as I experienced this first-hand with my own family," Dr. Kim said. "I have dedicated my entire career to helping patients in need and delivering excellent care with compassion and ease so that patients can



Kim

always have access and feel safe and supported as if it was my own family member. As such, I always work collaboratively with a large team of specialists and support staff to provide the absolute best patient-centered care."

She is a member of the American Society of Breast Surgeons and the Society of Surgical Oncology and has been recognized as an Indianapolis Monthly Top Doctor for more than 10 consecutive years.

Dr. Kim will be available at the Fishers facility

on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and at the Kokomo facility on Tuesday and Thursday.

When not caring for patients, Dr. Kim enjoys cooking, hiking, traveling, and spending time with her family and friends.

Information on scheduling an appointment with Dr. Kim:

- Ascension Medical Group St. Vincent - Fishers Breast Care, 13914 Southeastern Pkwy 101 # 302, Fishers. Call for appointment: (317) 415-9404

- Ascension Medical Group St. Vincent - Kokomo Breast Care, 305 S. Berkley Road #100, Kokomo. Call for appointment: (765) 236-8120

Hamilton County legislators receive summer study committee appointments

The REPORTER

Hamilton County legislators recently received appointments to serve on interim study committees, which will meet throughout the summer and fall to explore policy issues and work together to identify solutions.

Legislators will hear testimony from the public, various experts, and stakeholders as they work on bill recommendations ahead of the budget session in January.

"Legislators will tackle a wide variety of issues in the months ahead in preparation for next year's budget session," House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) said. "I'm grateful to have a deep bench of talented and knowledgeable members who I know will work hard to find solutions to the challenges facing Hoosiers, because that's what our constituents expect and deserve."

State Rep. Chris Jeter (R-Fishers) will serve as chair of the Interim Study



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Committee on Courts and the Judiciary. He will also serve as a member of the Interim Study Committee on Corrections and Criminal Code, the Probate Code Study Committee, the Bail and Release Review Commission and the Indiana Uniform Law Commission.

"These discussions throughout the interim provide lawmakers opportunities to review a variety of proposed policies aimed at improving the procedure and functions of our court system," Jeter said. "This summer and fall, our committee will review Indiana's home-

owner association system, and explore ways to improve permanency outcomes for children in foster care."

State Rep. Donna Schaubley (R-Carmel) will serve as a member of the Interim Study Committee on Public Health, Behavioral Health and Human Services. She will also serve on the All Payer Claims Database Advisory Board and Health Care Cost Oversight Task Force.

"Hoosiers continue to pay well above the national average for health care services," Schaubley said. "This summer, we'll take a deeper

dive into the issue and work on recommendations to lower costs."

State Rep. Jerry Torr (R-Carmel) will serve as a member of the State Fair Advisory Committee.

The 2024 legislative interim study committee assignments and other legislative appointments for House members can be found [here](#).

[Click here](#) for the list of study committee topics.

Committee hearings, which typically occur at the Statehouse in Indianapolis, can be viewed live online on the General Assembly's website located at iga.in.gov.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW

Then the slave drivers and the overseers went out and said to the people, "This is what Pharaoh says: 'I will not give you any more straw. Go and get your own straw wherever you can find it, but your work will not be reduced at all.'" So the people scattered all over Egypt to gather stubble to use for straw. The slave drivers kept pressing them, saying, "Complete the work required of you for each day, just as when you had straw." And Pharaoh's slave drivers beat the Israelite overseers they had appointed, demanding, "Why haven't you met your quota of bricks yesterday or today, as before?"

Then the Israelite overseers went and appealed to Pharaoh: "Why have you treated your servants this way? Your servants are given no straw, yet we are told, 'Make bricks!' Your servants are being beaten, but the fault is with your own people."

Pharaoh said, "Lazy, that's what you are—lazy! That is why you keep saying, 'Let us go and sacrifice to the Lord.' Now get to work. You will not be given any straw, yet you must produce your full quota of bricks."

The Israelite overseers realized they were in trouble when they were told, "You are not to reduce the number of bricks required of you for each day." When they left Pharaoh, they found Moses and Aaron waiting to meet them, and they said, "May the Lord look on you and judge you! You have made us obnoxious to Pharaoh and his officials and have put a sword in their hand to kill us."

Exodus 5:10-21 (NIV)

The Reporter's policy on obituaries

The Hamilton County Reporter does not charge families for publishing obituary notices in our pages. Every obituary appearing in online editions Wednesday through Saturday also appears in our Monday print editions. In order to continue to offer this as a community service, we ask that obituaries not exceed 600 words. The limitations of space may not allow for longer ones to appear in print.

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Merchants Capital secures \$17.1M for Indianapolis-based supportive housing development

The REPORTER

Leading financial services provider **Merchants Capital** announced Tuesday, that it secured \$17.1 million in financing for The Marvetta & Anthony Grimes Family Center, a 36-unit Indianapolis-based supportive housing development for households recovering from addiction.

Merchants Capital provided \$9.5 million in low-income housing tax credit equity (LIHTC) financing, and **Merchants Bank** provided a \$7.6 million equity bridge loan. Financing from The Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority (IHCDA) included a \$750,000 Development Fund Loan in addition to 9 percent low-income housing tax credits as part of the Emerging Developer **2023 Rental Housing Tax Credit (RHTC) General**



Set-Aside. Additional partners include First Merchants Bank and The National Bank of Indianapolis.

2 Thirty-Eight Properties, LLC (2 Thirty-Eight) developed Marvetta & Anthony Grimes Family Center in collaboration with Seeds of Hope to accommodate a shortage of recovery centers in the area. RealAmerica Companies is the development consultant and general contractor; RealAmerica Management will serve as the property management company. Volunteers of America Ohio and Indiana and Seeds of Hope will provide on-site services

and support for families in recovery, and St. Mary's Early Childhood Center will provide daycare services.

"We applaud 2 Thirty-Eight's ingenuity in filling a housing and services gap in the Indianapolis market," said Benjamin Trussell, Vice President of Acquisitions at Merchants Capital. "Merchants is pleased to be a financing partner in this effort to halt homelessness and addiction – and help families heal."

The development comprises two two-story garden-style buildings that house 24 two-bedroom units, 12 three-bedroom units, and an on-site daycare center, medical offices and community and supportive services.

Tenants will be referred by the Father Glen O'Connor Home, a Seeds of Hope-owned property, and a referral network that includes Indianapolis-area organizations: Heart Rock Recovery House, Wheeler Mission Center for Women & Children, The Salvation Army Women & Children,

Dove Recovery House and Firefly Children and Family Alliance.

"I'm thrilled to be a part of a housing development that's changing the lives of current and future generations," said Frederick Yeakey, Principal & Founder of 2 Thirty-Eight Properties. "With this being my first development, it was important to address a need that can impact housing and other factors that can greatly affect the cycle of poverty. My development team was incredible, and our partners on this project will provide the expertise and council needed for years to come."

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Meeting Notices

The Hamilton Heights School Corporation Board of Trustees, leadership team, and administrative staff will meet to discuss project and strategic planning at 7 a.m. on Friday, July 26, 2024, at the Red Bridge Park Community Building, 697 Jackson St., Cicero.

The Noblesville Common Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Mt. Vernon School Board of Trustees will meet for a work session from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m. on Monday, July 22, 2024, at the Mt. Vernon Administration Center, 1806 W. State Road 234, Fortville. A regular meeting will follow from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the same location.

The Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety will meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

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Wrestling



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Hamilton Heights' Kendall Moe earned her third All American honor by placing fourth in the Junior Women's Freestyle 100-pound division at the USMC/USA Wrestling 16U and Junior Nationals at Fargo, N.D.

Hamilton County wrestlers represent Indiana well at Junior Nationals

The REPORTER

Hamilton County had a large contingent of wrestlers representing Indiana at the USMC/USA Wrestling 16U and Junior Nationals, which is taking place this week in Fargo, N.D.

Two county wrestlers placed in the top eight of their weight divisions, beginning with Hamilton Heights' Kendall Moe. The multiple Indiana girls wrestling state champion finished fourth at 100 pounds in the Junior Women Freestyle division, making her a three-time All American.

Moe was seeded fifth and received a first-round bye in the Round of 64. That advanced Moe to the Round of 32, where she won her first match easily by beating Washington's Olivia Griffin 10-0.

In the Round of 16, Moe got another first-period tech fall, taking care of Virginia's Sarina Gunn 10-0 to move into the quarterfinals. Moe dropped her first match of the tournament to Ohio's Makannah Craft 7-4, which sent her into the consolation bracket.

Moe began her consolation journey in the round of eight, where she pinned North Carolina's Anna Ockerman in the first period. In the next round, Moe won a wild match with Ohio's Brienne Graves, earning a tech fall in the second period with a 21-10 score. That sent her to the third-place match, where Moe lost to Utah state champion Kristina Kent by a 10-0 tech fall.

Smith places fifth in Freestyle

Fishers' Xavier Smith also earned All American status by placing fifth in the 16U Men's Freestyle 175-pound class.

Smith was seeded 11th and began the meet with a 10-0 Round of 128 win over Minnesota's Uriah-Gabriel Cole. In the Round of 64, Smith took care of New Jersey's Chad McConnell 11-0, then beat Nevada's Santiago Cabrera 12-2 in the Round of 32.

Smith kept rolling in the Round of 16, beating Iowa's Broedy Hendricks 9-1, then swept past Illinois' Isaac Barrientos 10-0 in the quarterfinals. Smith's run came to an end in the semifinals, where Iowa's Brayden



Photo provided

Fishers' Xavier Smith placed fifth in the 16U Men's Freestyle 175-pound division. Smith is also competing in the Greco-Roman 175-pound division, where he is in the quarterfinals and will continue wrestling this week. Pictured with Smith in the right photo is Fishers High School coach Cameron Diep.



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Noblesville's Kyra Tomlinson competed in the Junior Women's 130-pound division.

Koester beat him 6-4.

In the consolations, Smith was placed directly in the semifinals, where he lost to Pennsylvania's Nicholas Singer 16-9. Smith beat California's Isai Fernandez to claim fifth place.

Other county wrestlers

Two other Hamilton County girls wrestlers competed at Fargo. Noblesville's Kyra Tomlinson wrestled in the Junior Women's 130-pound division. She began the meet by beating Illinois' Viola Pianetto 10-0 in the Round of 128, then took care of Minnesota's Alivia Szydel 10-0 in the Round of 64.

Tomlinson won a tough match over Mia Collins 12-8 in the Round of 32. Tomlinson led 8-2 after the first period, but Collins came back to tie the match at 8-8 with 49 seconds left in the second period (tournament matches consist of two three-minute periods). But Tomlinson scored four

points with seven seconds left to get the win.

In the Round of 16, Tomlinson lost a 10-0 match to Florida's Christina Borgmann. That moved her to

the consolations, where she dropped her first match by pin to Washington's Mary Rush.

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Credit Union 1 now major contributing sponsor of Noblesville Youth Baseball program

Submitted

Credit Union 1 (CU1), a leading financial institution with a nationwide membership, has announced its contributing sponsorship of Noblesville Youth Baseball.

CU1 recognizes the pivotal role that spaces like Noblesville Youth Baseball play in a community, and the importance of providing young athletes and their families with the resources and opportunities they need to succeed both on and off the field. This sponsorship reinforces an ongoing commitment to fostering thriving communities and supporting student athletes through key partnerships.

CU1 is also the Official Banking Partner of Notre Dame Athletics and the Official Banking Partner of the West Coast Conference, and CU1 provides scholarships to students at University of Illinois Chicago.

"We are thrilled to support Noblesville Youth Baseball," CU1 President and CEO Todd Gunderson said. "Our investment in this program reflects our broader mission to enhance community well-being and to help our youth build a foundation for a successful future. We believe that by supporting youth sports, we are contributing to the overall health and vitality of our community."

Noblesville Youth Baseball has a long-standing tradition of excellence in nurturing young talent and providing a healthy environment where they can learn, grow, and create a strong foundation for their future. By investing in Noblesville Youth Baseball, CU1 is not only supporting the athletes of today but also helping to build the leaders of tomorrow. This sponsorship is a testament to CU1's belief in the power of community and the importance of providing

people with opportunities to thrive at all stages of life.

"We are incredibly grateful to CU1 for their generous support," Noblesville Youth Baseball President Adrienne Colla said. "Their commitment to our program will make a significant impact, enabling us to continue fostering a positive environment for our players. Together, we are building not just better athletes, but also better community members. CU1's sponsorship will contribute to NYB's ability to maintain the facilities so that they remain one of Hamilton County's top places to play youth baseball as well as continue to upgrade safety features at the park including fencing, turf, and netting."

CU1's major contributing sponsorship of Noblesville Youth Baseball is part of its broader commitment to community, which includes financial literacy initiatives, local volunteer events led by CU1's dedicated team members, and giving back financially through partnerships with nonprofit organizations. Through these initiatives, CU1 helps to strengthen the communities where members live and help foster opportunities for financial success.

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Reddick, Smith pace practices as NASCAR returns to IMS oval

Submitted by IMS

Tyler Reddick led practice Friday for the Brickyard 400 presented by PPG, as the NASCAR Cup Series is back on the fabled oval at Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the first time since 2020.

Reddick paced the 50-minute session with a top lap of 182.582 mph in the No. 45 The Beast Unleashed Toyota fielded by 23XI Racing, co-owned by basketball legend Michael Jordan and NASCAR Cup Series star Denny Hamlin. Reddick won the Cup Series race on the IMS road course in 2022 and could become the first driver to win Cup Series events on the 2.5-mile oval and 2.439-mile road course at the Racing Capital of the World.

The NASCAR Cup Series raced on the IMS oval from 1994-2020 in the Brickyard 400 before three consecutive years on the 14-tum road course.

"I didn't know what the sensation of speed was going to feel like (on the oval), but it just feels like the center corner speeds we carry in this car, you feel tense in the car," Reddick said. "There's such a fine line to hit here. A foot up or down could be the difference between a really good lap or having to check up and not hit the fence."

"The room for error here is very, very fine, even in a stock car."

This is the first time the Next Gen car is competing



Photo provided by IMS

on the IMS oval, as the new car was introduced to the Cup Series in 2022.

"It's interesting how the draft works," Reddick said. "There is some sort of tow out that you get out there, but also the dirty air that comes with it is a challenge. It was just a big learning session, I guess."

Reigning Cup Series champion Ryan Blaney was second at 181.928 in the No. 12 Menards/Atlas Ford fielded by Team Penske. Hamlin was third at 181.561 in the No. 11 Sport Clips Haircuts Toyota of 23XI Racing.

Christopher Bell ended up fourth at 181.371 in the No. 20 Rheem Toyota of Joe Gibbs Racing. Alex Bowman rounded out the top five at 180.930 in the No. 48 Ally Chevrolet fielded by Hendrick Motorsports, which has won a record 10 Brickyard 400s.

2021 Cup Series champion Kyle Larson was sixth at 180.774 in the No. 5 HendrickCars.com Chevrolet.

This is Larson's second time competing this year on the IMS oval, as he also was named Rookie of the Year in the 108th Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge in May after qualifying fifth and finishing 18th in a Hendrick Motorsports-Arrow McLaren entry.

Cup Series drivers will qualify at 1:05 p.m. Saturday, followed by the 160-lap Brickyard 400 presented by PPG at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

In NASCAR Xfinity Series action earlier in the sunny afternoon, Chandler Smith led the sole practice for the Pennzoil 250 presented by Advance Auto Parts race. Smith drove the No. 81 QuickTie Toyota of Joe Gibbs Racing to a top lap of 166.756.

"It's incredible," Smith said. "This is where it all started for me, as far as where the interest came about. I'm from Georgia, so the first time I saw the (IMS) racetrack was when I was quarter-midget racing. They set up a little quarter-midget track in the

infield. I always dreamed of racing here on the oval in a competitive car in one of the top three series in NASCAR, and here we are."

Parker Kligerman was second at 166.571 in the No. 48 Spiked Lite Tropical Coolers Chevrolet fielded by Big Machine Racing, followed by Indianapolis 500 veteran and Noblesville's Conor Daly at 164.995 in the No. 26 Polkadot Toyota of Sam Hunt Racing.

Brandon Jones was fourth at 164.781 in the No. 9 Menards/Pennington Chevrolet of JR Motorsports, with Riley Herbst rounding out the top five in the 38-car field at 164.736 in the No. 98 Monster Energy Ford fielded by Stewart-Haas Racing.

Up next for the Xfinity Series is qualifying at 12:05 p.m. Saturday, followed by the 100-lap Pennzoil 250 presented by Advance Auto Parts race at 3:30 p.m.

Visit IMS.com to buy tickets or for more information on Brickyard Weekend.

The big oval is back

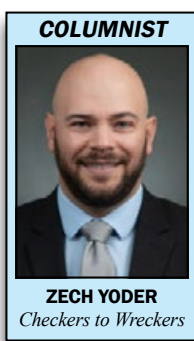
After a three-year hiatus, the big oval is back. On the 30th anniversary of the inaugural race, the Brickyard 400 returns to Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Aside from a partly cloudy day on Sunday, the weather report looks perfect. For what has seemed like months, rain is not in the forecast, and we can expect full weekend of NASCAR racing.

As I said last previously, Pocono provided a warm-up for the Brickyard 400. A two-and-a-half-mile triangle with long straightaways and the turn 2 built to resemble Indianapolis, Pocono should give us insight into who has speed this weekend at the Brickyard 400.

The Toyotas will be fast. Four Toyotas qualified inside the top 10 at Pocono last week, including pole winner Ty Gibbs, and five of the seven Toyotas finished the race inside the top 15.

Pay extra attention to Denny Hamlin. Though he did not win at Pocono, he was dominant throughout the race and had the fastest car for most of the day. On top of that, Hamlin tested at IMS this spring. Extra laps mean that Hamlin and his team will have a leg up on many of his competitors. Surprisingly, Hamlin has never won the crown jewel of the Midwest. Don't be shocked if he gets to kiss the bricks on Sunday.

The driver with the most laps at Indianapolis Motor Speedway this year



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is Kyle Larson, though not in a NASCAR. Larson, who ran the Indianapolis 500, will be desperate to make amends for his pit road snafu during the later stages of the Indianapolis 500, which likely cost

him a shot at the win. Oddly, his speeding penalty last week at Pocono also put him back in traffic, and he was only able to salvage a 13th place finish. Larson, however, is always a threat to win. He will need to avoid mistakes, especially on pit road as track position will be paramount. Don't doubt that he just may put on a masterclass at Indianapolis and crush the rest of the field. Larson has a knack for doing just that.

Finally, as I have been saying, Martin Truex Jr. may be poised to leave the sport with a walk-off Brickyard 400 win. He has not won in Indy, nor has he won in 2024. His car was one of the best last week at Pocono, and I expect him to be fast again on Sunday. A win at Indianapolis in his final year of full-time racing would cap off what is certainly a first ballet hall of fame career. You would be hard pressed to see a disappointed person if Truex wins the Brickyard 400.

There is not much more to say. The Brickyard 400 is back. Go enjoy the weekend.

Zech Yoder is a local resident, an attorney at Adler Attorneys in Noblesville, and a lifelong race fan.

Today at the Track

Information about Brickyard Weekend track activity Saturday, July 20 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway:

SCHEDULE (All times local)

10 a.m.-6 p.m.: Public gates open
12:05-12:55 p.m.: NASCAR Xfinity Series Qualifying

1:05-2:25 p.m.: NASCAR Cup Series Qualifying

3:30 p.m.: Pennzoil 250 Presented by Advance Auto Parts Race Start

TICKETS: \$45 for General Admission seating for Pennzoil 250 presented by Advance Auto Parts qualifying and race and Brickyard 400 presented by PPG qualifying in Paddock (9-18), South Terrace ADA, South Terrace East and the infield viewing mounds. Flex seating locations are available in Southwest Vista (1-10), H Stand (1-6), Northwest Vista (16-20) and North Vista ADA (Section 26-30) for \$64 per adult. Children 15 and under are admitted free with a paying adult in General Admission and Flex seating locations. Reserved seats range from \$64-144.

PUBLIC GATES OPEN (10 a.m.-6 p.m.): Gate 1, Gate 2, Gate 3, Gate 4, Gate 6S, Gate 7, Gate 7S, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A and Gate 11A.

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WRESTLE

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Hamilton Southeastern's Fanta Sall competed in the 16U Women's 235-pound class. Sall was pinned by the fourth seed, Pennsylvania's Mackenna Atkinson, in the first round, then lost in the consolation round to Colorado's Larissa Espinosa.

Meanwhile, five county boys were also among the wrestlers in the 16U Men's division. Here's how they performed:

- Westfield's Connor Maddox competed in the 100-pound class. He won three main draw matches, beating Wisconsin's Joan Tellez by fall, Massachusetts' Aiden Morris 11-5 and Texas' Oliver Pulliam 5-3 to reach the Round of 16.

Maddox lost to Minnesota's Turner Ross 10-0 in the 16s. That sent him to the consolation bracket, where

he beat Pennsylvania's Van Ward 9-4 before falling to another Pennsylvania wrestler, third seed Max Dinges, 9-2.

- Noblesville's Aiden Kincaide also made it to the Round of 16 at 165 pounds. He got wins over Idaho's Skyler Crow by fall, Florida's James Shaw Garrett 11-2 and Pennsylvania's Michael Schmit 10-0.

Kincaide dropped his Round of 16 match to the top seed, Illinois' Aaron Stewart 10-0. In the consols, Kincaide lost to Michigan's Don Beaufait 5-0.

- Noblesville's Jackson Apple won a match at the 285-pound division, which began in the Round of 64. Apple beat Missouri's Matthew Kelley 18-10 to reach the Round of 32, where he lost to Arizona's Eric Butierrez by fall.

In the consolation

round, Apple took care of Virginia's Jake James 9-4, then cruised past Oklahoma's Isaiah Fragua 11-0. Apple dropped his third consolation match to Pennsylvania's Bradyn McConaha by fall.

- Fishers' Julian Burgett wrestled in the 190-pound division. After a first-round bye, the unseeded Burgett fell to the 10th seed, Missouri's Jace Renfro 8-2. Burgett won his first consolation match 6-1 over Massachusetts' Adam Loeb 6-1 but lost his next match to Minnesota's Blake McMullen 3-1.

After the Freestyle finished earlier this week, five county wrestlers competed in the Greco-Roman portion of the tournament. Results from that event will be published next week in the Reporter.

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