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**TODAY'S WEATHER**



Today: Mostly sunny.  
 Tonight: Partly cloudy.



HIGH: 85 LOW: 65

**The Fab Four are back at school**

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 This newspaper is blessed with several exceptional columnists, four of whom were at Taylor University for a weekend writers' conference. They tell us they were there to sharpen their skills (and pencils), but we know better. All four of these ladies should be teaching the next generation of writers ... ok, one of them was in fact a presenter. Alright, ladies, we expect the bar to be raised just a little bit next week when we see you in print again. (From left) Sharon McMahon, Amy Shankland, Janet Hart Leonard and (seated) Amy Shinneman.



**To relive an ELO Rockaria! moment or not**

Brynne and I saw Jeff Lynne's ELO at the Bridgestone Arena in downtown Nashville on July 3, 2019. The '70s super group, with its perfect fusion of rock and roll, classical instruments, laser lights, and yes, even some cowbell, soared through its greatest hits, leaving me and the new missus on an ELO high, which still lingers today. It became the benchmark of our concert-going.



ELO remains my favorite concert – and I've seen many (Rolling Stones, Springsteen, U2, etc.). That it occurred on our honeymoon might've contributed to the show's specialness. New nuptials or not, the ELO concert has yet to be topped. The show exuded pure happiness. I remained enthralled and undistracted throughout the live performance, which included 20 sing-along songs, from the opener, "Standing In The Rain," to the encore, "Roll Over Beethoven." Not only was the band perfect, so was, seemingly, every audience member – the latter a rare statement for me to make considering the far too many unfortunate, personal episodes experienced during past arena rock acts I've paid good money to see. I pleasantly came to realize that ELO simply has the best fans "All Over The World."

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**Roundabout construction begins soon at 10<sup>th</sup> & Pleasant in Noblesville**

**The REPORTER**

New closures are coming to Noblesville as part of the Reimagine Pleasant Street Project.

A roundabout will be constructed at the intersection of 10th Street and Pleasant Street. Restrictions will begin on or after Aug. 2 and last until November 2024 unless otherwise noted.

Once the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) opens the intersection of State Road 32 and 8th Street in downtown Noblesville, Pleasant Street will close between 8th and 12th streets, and 10th Street will close from south of Pleasant Street to north of Walnut Street.

The 8th Street and 12th Street intersections at Pleasant Street will remain open throughout construction, and residents will have access to their properties at all times.

The official detour route will use 8th Street, Greenfield Avenue, and 16th Street. To help with traffic flow along the detour route, a temporary traffic signal has been installed at the intersection of Greenfield Avenue



PHASE 1 ROAD CLOSURE SCHEDULE  
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and 16th Street and will be fully activated when the closure begins. Drivers using Greenfield Avenue should be prepared to stop. The temporary signal will remain in place for the duration of construction of Pleasant Street Phase 2, which is anticipated to be completed at the end of 2025.

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**Sheridan boil advisory date changed**

**The REPORTER**

Indiana American Water announced on Friday afternoon that there has been a change in the scheduled switch-over in water service for the Town of Sheridan. It is now projected to happen on Wednesday, July 31 or Thursday, Aug. 1 at the latest.

The exact timing is still unknown as of Friday night.

After connections to the new system are completed, a 24-hour Boil Water Advisory will be in effect.

For more information, [click here](#).

**Braun: cut property taxes & freeze future increases**

By **GARRETT BERGQUIST**  
 WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](#)

Republican governor candidate Mike Braun on Friday said he would expand property tax relief eligibility if elected.

Braun released his proposal to cut property taxes Friday morning. Chief among the plan provisions is a change to the homestead deduction. Braun's plan would allow anyone whose home has an assessed value over \$125,000 to deduct up to 60 percent of their home's value from their tax bill. Anyone with an assessed value under \$125,000 could deduct up to 60 percent of their value and also take the standard deduction of \$48,000. He also called for freezing annual tax bill increases at 2 percent for seniors, low-income families, and families with children under 18 and 3 percent for everyone else.



**Braun**

Braun's plan also takes aim at tax referendums. His plan would require any school referendum votes to take place during high-turnout elections such as general elections in even-numbered years. It also would require any referendum language to include data showing the impact on the median property tax bill.

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**INDOT set to deploy first round of robocops**

By **RAY ADLER**  
 Adler Attorneys

This week, INDOT announced it is launching a Safe Zones Pilot Program to improve work zone safety.

The state plans to begin using camera technology the current Interstate 70 construction zone in Hancock County from mile markers 95 to 105. There will be warnings given initially and additional work sites will be added over time. Indiana law allows INDOT to deploy up to cameras at up to four sites at any given time.

As you are driving, signs will be posted that you are entering an automated system monitoring section of the highway. Robot monitoring devices will check the speed of vehicles and issue tickets to those traveling 11 miles per hour or more above the posted speed limit. The system works by capturing an image of the vehicle's rear license plate. Violations will be issued to the owner(s) of the vehicle.

After the pre-enforcement period, the first violation will result in a zero-fine warning and the second is a \$75 civil penalty with a \$150 penalty for each violation thereafter. The ticket will not be valid unless workers are present at the site at the time of the violation.

This is a five-year pilot program which will end in 2028. After that, state lawmakers would need to vote in order to continue the program or make it permanent.

A few years ago, the State of Indiana changed traffic offenses from criminal in nature (with all the accompanying constitutional rights) to civil in nature. These civil violations are called infractions on the State level or offenses if they are local ordinance violations.

Being civil in nature, the Defendant has no right against self-incrimination and can be required to testify on whether they were driving the vehicle. If they weren't driving the vehicle, they can be compelled to disclose who was driving the vehicle.

The measure of proof in a civil case is slightly more than 50 percent – or more likely than not. The State will argue that it is more likely than not that the owner of a vehicle is the one driving it. The Defendant could be compelled to confirm that testimony. If the Defendant gave testimony of another driver, that driver could be prosecuted in a separate action.

Once cases are filed with the Court, court costs could be assessed making it economically impractical to fight. The robots are here.

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# TAX FREEZE

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“Nothing is more important than ensuring Hoosiers can afford to live in their homes without being overburdened by rising property taxes driven by rapid inflation in home values,” Braun said. “My commitment to this agenda stems from my dedication to protecting the financial stability and well-being of Hoosier families.”

Sharp spikes in property taxes in Indiana have driven several legislative efforts over the past two sessions. Lawmakers this year passed legislation to allow counties to exempt mobile homes and manufactured homes from property taxes and to increase the assessed-value limit for the disabled veteran property tax exemption to \$240,000. Last year, the General Assembly passed a law to temporarily increase the homestead deduction for the 2024 and 2025 tax years.

Democratic candidate Jennifer McCormick’s campaign attacked Braun’s previous votes on legislation

that allowed counties to levy additional taxes on parcels of real estate.

“Hoosiers are sick and tired of politicians who will say anything to get elected,” McCormick said. “Mike Braun voted for higher Hoosier property taxes when he had the chance and is now only talking about a tax cut because he’s another politician Hoosiers are sick of.”

Libertarian candidate Donald Rainwater said the plan doesn’t go far enough because it doesn’t stop property tax increases outright and doesn’t prevent the loss of one’s home through a tax sale.

“This is a band-aid meant to temporarily the citizens’ concerns during an election year, instead of an actual resolution to the problem of Hoosiers never really owning their property,” Rainwater said.

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# AMAZING BAND

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Everyone I know likes ELO. I mean ... only a monster would unleash bitchery against “Mr. Blue Sky.” Even if you don’t know you like ELO, you probably do, surprised, perhaps, when the deejay informs you that the song you just sang along to was an ELO song.

To hear a concert chorus of 20,000 strong sing “Turn To Stone,” “Sweet Talkin’ Woman,” “Rockaria!,” “Telephone Line,” “Last Train To London,” “Xanadu” ... well, it doesn’t get better than that. Every ELO tune has a “Sweet Caroline” effect on people.

In past columns, I have recounted incidents of concerts being ruined by yahoos with seats near me. The overriding theme: it only takes one person to make a concert disconcerting.

My one and only Eagles concert (back when Glenn Frey was alive) was ruined singlehandedly by the ear-splitting shrieks and out-of-tune, non-stop backup singing of a banshee just behind me. Asked her to cool her jets, she dedicated the rest of the evening to establishing my deepest regret for buying a concert ticket.

Ticketmaster should include a feature where customers can choose seats based on profiles of people who have already selected seats near the ones you are pondering – sort of like online dating, perhaps with



Photo provided

vital data about how many times they have been escorted by Security from venues, levels of belligerence based on color-coded, terrorist alerts once used by Homeland Security, average ratio of alcohol spilled versus alcohol ingested, and body height (especially important when it comes to seeing who could be sitting in front of you). At a U2 concert, a guy just in front of me was so tall and wide that he blocked the entire stage view.

Entering Bridgestone, I prepared myself for a “Showdown” with potential drunks positioned either beside or behind me. I wasn’t worried about distractions directly before me because our seats were strategically located in row A of a balcony-like section.

Great seat placement, plus an amiable audience there solely for the music, plus a spectacular performance involving artists with no “artistic” qualms about

playing their greatest hits for the world’s greatest fans, equated to my favorite concert experience ever.

I recently learned that Jeff Lynne’s ELO will be performing closer to home this year – in Indy. I anxiously used my Ticketmaster app on the first day of the public sale to reserve seats for the September show, but I hesitated just before finalizing the transaction. What if my ELO experience doesn’t measure up to five years ago? What if someone near us decides that he or she is the real entertainment for the night? What if my seats aren’t ideally located, or the Bono boulder guy returns to block the stage? What if Jeff Lynne says, “Sorry, mates, but we’re above playing that blimey ‘Evil Woman’ song on tour again. We’ve sung it for 50 bloody years!”

What if a bad ELO experience erodes my enduring love for their 2019 performance? Would our ELO honeymoon

suddenly be over? Why not play it safe, be happy with the previous experience? The ELO concert bucket list box has been checked already, why check it again?

Ultimately, I bailed on buying tickets for a second ELO show, deeply satisfied with my first ELO experience. If I need to relive it, I can simply listen to Jeff Lynne’s ELO – Wembley or Bust on Spotify (there is a slight deviation between set lists but it’s basically the same show).

The 2019 Jeff Lynne’s ELO show was so damned enjoyable that I just can’t bring myself to see them again. How weird is that? It’s like saying no to a second potato chip.

Still, I highly recommend that you attend their upcoming Indy show, even though I CURRENTLY don’t plan to be there. Note my emphasis on the word “currently.”

The show is still a month away, and lately I’ve been perusing Ticketmaster for ELO seats. Who knows, you might end up sitting next to us after all – if the seats are right and if the price is right and if I find faith that you will be receptive to my request that you “Don’t Bring Me Down.”

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# Critical call for blood donors: help save lives now with the Red Cross

## \$20 Amazon.com gift card by email for coming to give in August

### The REPORTER

The American Red Cross urges donors to give blood now to reinforce the blood supply as much as possible before the summer winds down. Type O blood donors are especially needed to help keep hospital shelves stocked through August.

Donors remain critically needed to support the Red Cross delivery of vital blood

products, which are in demand around-the-clock as hospitals work to save lives this summer. When fewer people answer the call to donate, the blood supply can quickly shrink. Help safeguard necessary care for patients – book a time to give blood by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), by calling 1-800-RED CROSS, or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

### Where & When to Donate Blood

**Aug. 2, 1 to 6 p.m.:** Westfield High School, 18250 N. Union St., Westfield

**Aug. 6, 1 to 6 p.m.:** Venture Christian Church, 14501 Hazel Dell Pkwy., Carmel

**Aug. 8, 1 to 6 p.m.:** IU Health Saxony Hospital, 13100 E. 136th St., Fishers

In thanks, those who come to give Aug. 1 to 31 will get a \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See [RedCrossBlood.org/Help](http://RedCrossBlood.org/Help) for details.



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## PLEASANT

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The following traffic changes will begin on or after Aug. 2:

- Opening of State Road 32 between 6th and 9th streets in downtown Noblesville (on or after Aug. 2)
- Temporary closure of Pleasant Street at 10th Street (until November 2024)
- Temporary closure of 10th Street from south of Pleasant Street to north of Walnut Street (until November 2024)

- Continued closure of Pleasant Street between 8th and 10th streets (until November 2024)
  - Temporary signal at Greenfield Avenue and 16th Street intersection (until November 2025 – duration of Pleasant Street Phase 2)
- This construction is part of the Reimagine Pleasant Street Project, a multi-phased transporta-

tion improvement project city officials say will improve mobility and complement the growth of Noblesville. The project is meant to create a safe, vibrant corridor for residents to drive, walk, or bike to downtown Noblesville while alleviating traffic congestion along SR 32. Project planners expect traffic through downtown Noblesville to be reduced

by 20 percent and will also provide a link for three major trails (Nickel Plate, Midland Trace, and Riverwalk) to connect Noblesville with Hamilton County and the greater Indianapolis area. For more details about the project and up-to-date closures, please visit [reimaginepleasantst.com](http://reimaginepleasantst.com). You can also follow the project on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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— Good news from Stony Creek Church of Christ —

# Is it reasonable to believe in a Resurrected Jesus?

Go anywhere in the world today and you'll find people who have heard of Jesus. No matter how devoted the person may be to their particular religion, if they know anything about history, they will have heard about Jesus.

There has never been a man like Jesus of Nazareth. He is the most unique personality of all time. Jesus changed the direction of history. Even the date on your morning newspaper testifies to the fact that Jesus of Nazareth lived on earth nearly 2,000 years ago. B.C. means "before Christ"; A.D. Anno Domini, "the year of our Lord." No other person has influenced the history of the world as much as Jesus.

Christians maintain belief in a living Jesus who conquered death and ever lives. Is that a reasonable belief?

### Jesus is the Risen, Living Savior

Jesus of Nazareth was crucified on a cross, buried in a borrowed grave, and three days later was raised from the dead; Christianity is unique in this regard. The founder of every other world religion died, was buried, and they stayed buried. Of all the great religious leaders of the world,



JOHN A. SMITH  
Think on These Things

only the tomb of Jesus was left empty as a result of them coming back to life, never to die again.

Any argument for the validity of Christianity depends on the proof of the resurrection of Jesus of

Nazareth. After examining the evidence for the resurrection given by the Gospel writers, the late Simon Greenleaf, an authority on legal issues at Harvard Law School, concluded, "It was therefore impossible that they could have persisted in affirming the truths they have narrated, had not Jesus actually risen from the dead, and had they not known this fact as certainly as they knew any other fact."

### Reasons for belief in the Resurrected Jesus

**THE EMPTY GRAVE:** The resurrection is the only plausible explanation for His empty grave. A careful reading of the biblical story shows that the grave where they laid the body of Jesus was closely guarded by Roman soldiers and sealed with an enormous boulder. If, as some have claimed, Jesus was not dead, but only weakened, the guards and the stone would have stopped his escape – or any rescue

attempt by His followers. Jesus' enemies would never have taken the body since His body missing from the grave would only serve to encourage belief in His resurrection.

**PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS:** The resurrection is the only explanation for the appearances of Jesus Christ to His disciples. After His resurrection, Jesus appeared at least ten times to those who had known Him and to as many as 500 people at one time. The Lord proved that these appearances were not hallucinations: He ate and talked with them and they touched Him. (see I John 1:1)

**TRANSFORMED LIVES:** The resurrection is the only logical explanation for the transformed lives of the disciples. They deserted Him before His resurrection; after His death they were discouraged and fearful. They did not expect Jesus to rise from the dead (Luke 24:1-11). Yet after His resurrection and their experience at Pentecost, these same discouraged, disappointed men and women were transformed by the mighty power of the risen Christ. In His name, they turned the world upside down. Many lost their lives for their faith; others were terribly persecuted. Their courageous behavior does

not make sense apart from their conviction that Jesus Christ was truly raised from the dead – a fact worth dying for.

**ALIVING LORD:** Because of Jesus' resurrection, His true followers do not merely observe the ethical code of a dead founder, but rather have a vital, personal relationship with the living Lord. Jesus Christ lives today and faithfully blesses and enriches the lives of all those who trust and obey Him. Throughout the centuries, multitudes have acknowledged the worthiness of Jesus Christ, including many who have greatly influenced the world.

Would you like to know more about Jesus Christ and how He can be your living Savior? As bold as it may sound, you can! Jesus is so eager to establish a personal, loving relationship with you that He has already made all the necessary arrangements. We would love to help you know this Jesus and begin a relationship with Him.

*Visitors are welcome and valued. We meet at 15530 Herriman Blvd., Noblesville. Our phone number is (317) 219-5852. We meet for Sunday morning Bible Study at 10 a.m. and have classes for all ages. Worship begins at 11 a.m. and we have a Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m. A warm welcome awaits!*



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## Westfield Youth Assistance still needs 11 tutors

### The REPORTER

Westfield Youth Assistance Program (WYAP) is still in need of tutors for 11 youth for this upcoming school year. To view the remaining needs and time slots, [click here](#). The entire application is due before Aug. 1, so please check your email after signing up to complete all the necessary steps.



ton Public Library. The first session will begin the week of Labor Day. The commitment is the entire school year for a total of 28 sessions (14 each semester).

Applicants must be licensed K-6 educators or an instructional assistance in a Westfield Washington Schools elementary building or at the Intermediate School.

Tutors meet with their youth for one hour a week at the Westfield Washing-

ton Public Library. The first session will begin the week of Labor Day. The commitment is the entire school year for a total of 28 sessions (14 each semester).

There are both paid and volunteer tutoring opportunities available. All youth remaining on the list will require transportation as well, so please read the Sign-Up Genius thoroughly before committing.

[Click here](#) to learn more about WYAP's tutoring needs.

# Welcome to Our New Minister



On August 16, 2024, the Stony Creek Church of Christ will begin a new chapter of their work in Noblesville. On that Sunday, we will welcome Curtis Cooper as our new minister. He is a talented young family man and will do an outstanding work in our community. Our congregation and our community will be blessed by him. We invite you to come meet Curtis and be blessed by his writing, teaching and preaching.

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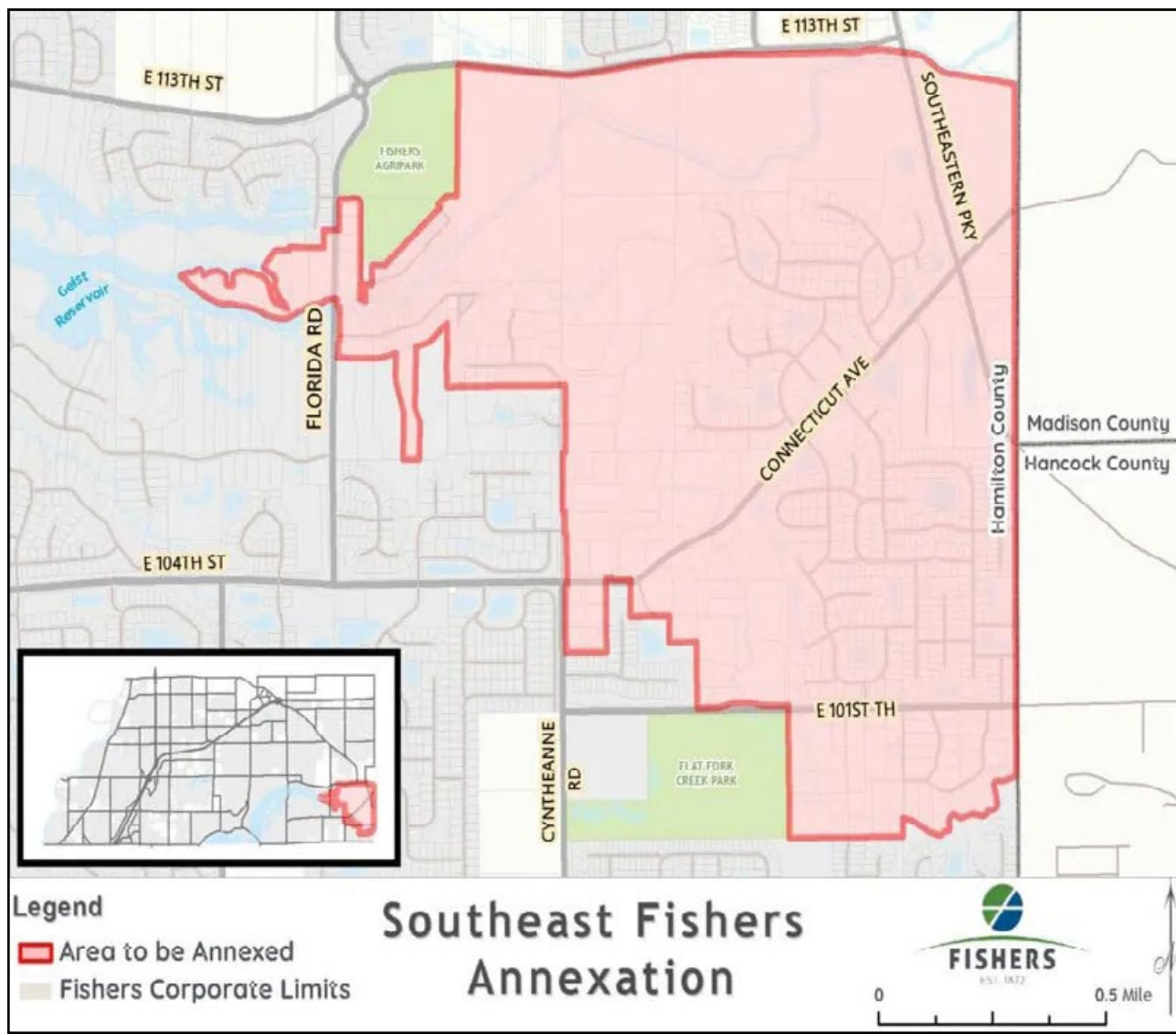
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Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm





## Fishers wants to annex 994 acres of Hamilton County

By ADAM PINSKER  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

The city government of Fishers is trying to annex 994 acres in the southeast corner of Hamilton County.

The **proposed annexation area**, comprised mostly of housing subdivisions, is located east of Florida Road and South of 113th street. It extends east to the Hancock and Madison county lines, and southeast to East 101st Street and to **Flat Fork Creek Park**.

Joe Olexa lives in the Flat Fork subdivision in the

annexation area. He moved there seven years ago to escape the hustle and bustle of downtown Fishers. "It was pretty desolate when we first moved out here, but I always like to say we wanted to go to be where the puck was going, not where the puck was, and, since we moved out here seven years ago, there has been tremendous growth as you can see."

"We lived in Fishers before we moved out here. We have great public services from Fishers, so a little extra taxes for great services is worth it."

The city has nearly completed a series of public hearings about the proposal. Fishers will have three more hearings at the Fishers City Hall and Art Center's theater: 4:30-6:30 p.m. Monday; 9-11 a.m. Tuesday; and 4-6 p.m. Wednesday.

If the proposal passes, Fishers police will assume responsibility for patrolling the annexed area, and the city would handle snow removal and stormwater responsibilities. Fishers says it already provides fire and sanitary services to the area. If annexation is ap-

proved, residents of the area could vote in municipal elections and get discounts to city parks.

The city wants to adopt the annexation ordinance before the end of 2024. A proposed timeline calls for an appeals period next spring before the ordinance takes effect in June 2025.

The first tax impact would be in 2026.

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## 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.

As of July 23, the west side of 141st Street at SR 37 has closed for the next phase of construction. Traffic will transition to the east side, with SR 37 north and southbound 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 [37thrive.com](http://37thrive.com).

### Citizens Water Utility Work

On Monday, July 29, there will be lane restrictions after 9 a.m. on westbound 116th Street in front of Handels for utility work. Arrow boards and flaggers will be in place. The work is scheduled to last a couple of hours.

### 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 will be continuing restoration work on Quaker Ridge and Tremont Entrance as well as 131st Street and Promise Road.

Grading and paving operations will be ongoing on Fortune Drive in Walnut Creek. Note that in Walnut Creek there is no thru traffic on Fortune Drive at this time.

There will be road resurfacing at the following location on the week of July 29:

- **106th Street and Cumberland Road:** watch for one lane traffic with flaggers as well as potential redirection by flaggers as motorists enter roundabout.

Residents are asked to refrain from parking 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 Resurfacing Overview Map [here](#).

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



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# Hangry: the connection between hunger & aggression

It's one thing to crave a butter burger or a bottomless bag of my favorite snacks – let's say, chocolate-dipped Oreos. It's another thing altogether to be so famished that you are irritable and overreact to minor annoyances.



**MARK HALL**  
The Feeding Team Feature

What makes this situation unique is when one of the five came to the door, knocked, and once the door was opened, berated the volunteer with a loud angry tirade, swearing and demanding

more food: "YOU NEED TO GO GET ME A BOX OF FOOD, RIGHT NOW!!! THIS (EXPLETIVE) FOOD IS (EXPLETIVE) FREE!!! I NEED TO TAKE IT WITH ME!" Clearly upset, she couldn't control her fury and took it out on the very same people that provide no-questions-asked meals for her and her family. As the confrontation was occurring, the four others gathered up almost every meal in the pantry.

As a rule, we won't interact with neighbors at a pantry unless they speak first. Our volunteer felt threatened as she tried to defuse the situation and explained that we aren't built to provide a volume of many meals to individuals, rather we provide a few meals to as many as possible to help families get by. Further, the volunteer referred the neighbor to two places where she could get a larger amount of help for her family. In the moment, our visitor noticed the security camera pointed directly at her face. Her pause allowed the alarmed volunteer a moment to calm the situation by quickly shutting and securing the door. The group of five left shortly after with as many meals as they could carry.

The entire episode has me thinking about and researching the connections between aggressive behavior and hunger. That led to this month's column. [Click here](#) for more on "hangry" in a June 2021 article by the

Cleveland Clinic.

Are our hungry neighbors more apt to be aggressive? Reflecting on 20-plus years of food charity work, the short answer is yes, sometimes. Anger and shame are two of the potential consequences of hunger. I am not condoning the anger nor am I of the belief that a hungry neighbor should feel shame. Unfortunately, it can be the reality of a personal situation: the world is not a fair place.

The neighbor was clearly out of line. The economy being what it is, more neighbors are struggling. Hunger is real and dealing with angry hungry neighbors is as real as it gets. People aren't entitled to receive Feeding Team's help; we give it freely to the best of our ability. Further, we encourage as much grace as possible as a response to "hangry" situations.

That's the takeaway, and that's the lesson from this week's situation. There but for the Grace of God go all of us, kindness to our neighbors never goes out of style, but abuse and threats are not acceptable. The safety of our volunteers will not be compromised.

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Feeding Team provides a way and a place for those in need to get food for their family. While each pantry really is just a big wooden yellow box, it means so much more for donors and for families in need. You are welcome to join us as together we fight to eliminate hunger in Hamilton County.

With over 40,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, [FeedingTeam.org](#) is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides

**FeedingTeam.org Facts**

67 pantries  
Over 11,000 meals in May  
Over 100 individual & 30 volunteer families

outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout the county.

The pantries exist to meet the food insecurity needs of gap families, neighbors who may not qualify for public assistance and could use a few meals before payday. The pantries serve as many food-challenged neighbors as possible, and our hearts are with those who, like my family, could not always make ends meet.

Thank you for supporting the pantries. We love serving with so many neighbors across Hamilton County. In future columns, we will share more stories about how your generosity served neighbors in times of need. The face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what you may think.

In practical terms, this straightforward way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person's life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids.

Would you like to get involved? Volunteer opportunities are available. We are evaluating new pantry locations. If you think you have a potential location, please contact us.

Mark and Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or by calling (317) 832-1123.

# GOP events coming up around the county

## Submitted Free Ice Pops

The Hamilton County Republican Party will provide free flavor-ice pops during its Summer Social at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 31 at the Groovesmash concert at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheatre in Fishers.

## Great Outdoor Party

The Hamilton County Republican Party will hold its Great Outdoor Party from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 2 at Shelter No. 5 at Forest Park in Noblesville. Tickets are \$35 and must be purchased in advance. Kids eat free. Get your tickets at [hamilton-countygop.org](http://hamilton-countygop.org).

## Fishers GOP Meeting

The next Fishers GOP meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 20; 6 p.m. gather and 6:30 p.m. start. The meeting will take place at Balmoral Cottage, 10101 Hamilton Hills Lane, Fishers.

Carlin Yoder, the Indiana Field Director for the Trump 2024 Campaign, will be the guest speaker. He'll share insights about the Republican National Convention and how Republicans can support the 2024 Trump Campaign. Refreshments will be served, and a cash bar will be available. Please RSVP to Tiffanie Ditlevson at [tiffanie@hamiltoncountygop.org](mailto:tiffanie@hamiltoncountygop.org) or to John Weingardt at [john@psw-cpa.com](mailto:john@psw-cpa.com).

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# 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. Southbound Spring Mill Road has opened but northbound remains closed.

## Monon Greenway

Phase 3 of Monon Boulevard is gearing up for improvements. Beginning on or after Monday, July 29, a temporary asphalt path will be placed between City Center Drive and Walnut Street, for use as that section of the Monon Greenway will be closed.

# First Farmers Bank & Trust hires Doug Hill as vice president, senior commercial lender

## The REPORTER

First Farmers Bank & Trust has announced the hiring of Doug Hill as the community bank's newest Vice President, Senior Commercial Lender.



Hill

Hill currently operates from the Carmel loan production office at 11711 N. Pennsylvania St., Suite 112, and will transition to the brand-new Carmel branch space once it officially opens at 111 S. Range Line Road at the end of 2024.

A commercial banker with more than 38 years of experience, Hill's new role at First Farmers Bank & Trust will include managing and maintaining existing relationships, as well as developing new and existing businesses, all while maintaining loan quality in the central Indiana market.

"We're excited to welcome Doug Hill to our experienced leadership team of senior commercial lenders at First Farmers Bank & Trust," said Tade Powell, Senior Vice President, Director of Communications & Public Relations. "With the opening of our formal Carmel branch at the end of this year, our bank is grow-

ing its presence right in the heart of Hamilton County. Doug's dedicated leadership skills and decades in the banking industry across central Indiana make him a perfect choice for our Carmel department."

Most recently, Hill served as the Vice President, Senior Commercial Loan Officer for Horizon Bank in Noblesville. Responsible for the acquisition, growth, and retention of high value/high potential customers with a focus on commercial and industrial loans, he held the role for seven years. Prior to that, he spent nearly a decade in north central Indiana at Regions Bank where he, as Relationship Manager II, Agricultural Banking, placed an emphasis on agribusiness in banking.

First Farmers Bank & Trust has been expanding rapidly over the past year. Overall in 2023, First Farmers saw continued asset growth as its assets surpassed the \$3 billion mark for the first time.

To learn more about First Farmers Bank & Trust, visit [ffb.com](http://ffb.com) or find First Farmers on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#).

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# Congress tries again to reclassify 911 dispatchers as first responders

By DANIELLE ZULKOSKY  
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A federal bill is being considered in the House to reclassify 911 dispatchers as first responders, a proposal that lawmakers have decided against in the past.

Currently, dispatchers are classified as clerks by federal labor laws. Mike Hubbs, the director of Hamilton County Public Safety Communications, said the classification creates logistical issues for 911 Centers across the country.

He supports the **911 SAVES Act, House Resolution 6319**. The bill says, "Classifying public safety telecommunicators as Protective Service Occupations would correct an inaccurate representation in the Standard Occupational Classification, recognize these professionals for the lifesaving work they perform, and better align the Standard Occupational Classification with related classification systems."

Hubbs said the bill has been before Congress multiple times over the last four to five years, but was tied to other legislation that ultimately failed.

"It needs to happen," Hubbs said. "It needed to happen for years."

Hubbs says that when 911 dispatchers are considered clerks they have to stick to the 40-hour workweek and have to work at least 37.5

hours a week to get full-time pay.

He wants an exemption so dispatchers can work 12-hour, rotating shifts without losing out on pay and other benefits. Police officers, firefighters and other first responders already get this benefit.

"I support it because it's going to untie a lot of the technical employment scheduling matters for 911 directors throughout the country," Hubbs said.

**NENA: The 911 Association's website** said reclassification can also help dispatchers get access to resources after doing traumatizing work. Hubbs said, "We expect them to come in here, work in this crazy environment, and I have to adhere to this federal labor where if you were a police officer, I wouldn't have to do that."

Hubbs says that, in Hamilton County, the dispatchers prefer to work 12-hour shifts. They work two days on and two off, but he said the shift can often lead to dispatchers being short on hours if they only take three shifts in a week.

"So if you look at the schedule, because they are clerks, I have to get them 37.5 hours a week and when you do the math they're short," Hubbs said. "So guess what happens; they get



Hubbs

docked pay."

Hubbs is a former police officer. He knows just how important 911 dispatchers are.

"They're heroes in there. They're heroes with headsets.

They don't carry a gun or they don't have a fire hose or drive a firetruck, but, they have a headset, and really when you think about it, if you don't have them in there, nothing moves. The firetruck doesn't roll. You don't get the ambulance. You don't get the police officer."

Indiana state law already recognizes 911 dispatchers as first responders. "State code does recognize 911 dispatchers as public safety first responders," Hubbs said. "So, the state of Indiana is taking the steps. It's on the law. The problem is the federal government hasn't taken the steps."

Hubbs said he travels to Washington, D.C., every year to advocate for this change.

He said two Indiana representatives in Congress, Democrat André Carson of Indianapolis and Republican Victoria Spartz of Noblesville, have been very supportive.

*This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/politics/congress-tries-again-to-reclassify-911-dispatchers-as-first-responders](http://wishtv.com/news/politics/congress-tries-again-to-reclassify-911-dispatchers-as-first-responders).*

# Noblesville Lions add another to the pride



Photo provided

On Wednesday, the Noblesville Lions inducted Tomas Lopez-Pumarejo as a new member. He was inducted by Lion Julia Kozicki and is sponsored by Tim Baker. (From left) Lion Tim Baker, Sponsor; Lion Tomas Lopez-Pumarejo; and Lion Julia Kozicki.

# Something new is coming to this year's Carmel Christkindlmarkt

## The REPORTER

The Carmel Christkindlmarkt has announced the addition of Wundernacht, a night of Market magic you won't want to miss.

Wundernacht means night of miracles – and this event will be just that. Not only will it be a night of fun, it's also an opportunity to make a difference. An exclusive, ticketed experience, the event will offer food and drink samples from Market food vendors, unique specialty cocktails served exclusively at the event, photo opportunities, entertainment, and the first chance to shop for merchandise from Market gift huts.

Wundernacht will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20, three days before the Market opens to the public.

### Tickets

VIP Admission: \$300 per person. Includes access to food, beverages, and featured activities inside the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts, as well as everything taking place on the Market grounds.

General Admission: \$150 per person. Includes access to food, beverage samples,



specialty cocktails, added entertainment, photo opportunities, an ability to shop from Market gift huts, and more.

For more information or to order tickets, [click here](#). Ticket sales will benefit cultural exchange between Germany and America in the future.

Sponsors can purchase private spaces inside the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts to entertain their guests. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please contact [sponsorships@carmel-christkindlmarkt.com](mailto:sponsorships@carmel-christkindlmarkt.com).

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# Center Presents single-event ticket sales start Aug. 2

Lineup includes pop, rock, jazz, classical & more ... Emmylou Harris just added

**The REPORTER**

With subscription packages still available for the 2024-2025 Center Presents Season at the Center for the Performing Arts, tickets for individual performances will go on sale to the general public at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 2.

Presented in partnership with Allied Solutions, the season features more than 60 events in a broad range of genres. With new PA and lighting systems recently installed in the Palladium concert hall, audiences can expect a richer, clearer audio and visual experience.

Just added to the schedule is legendary singer-songwriter Emmylou Harris, who has released more than 25 albums and recorded with such diverse artists as Linda Ronstadt, Bob Dylan, Neil Young, Gram Parsons, Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton, Beck, Elvis Costello, Johnny Cash, and Lyle Lovett. She is a member of the Country Music Hall of Fame and a recipient of the Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, the *Billboard* Century Award, 14 Grammy

Awards, three CMA Awards and four Americana Awards. Her performance is part of the Printing Partners Encore Series.

Tickets for the entire season will be available online at [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org), by phone at (317) 843-3800, or through the Fifth Third Box Office at the Palladium, 1 Carter Green, Carmel. Presale access is available:

- Now with the purchase of a series subscription package (Emmylou Harris available July 31 to subscribers)

- Tuesday, July 30, for Center donors of \$250 or more; visit [TheCenterPresents.org/Donate](http://TheCenterPresents.org/Donate)

- Thursday, Aug. 1, for eNews mailing list members; sign up at [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org)

Eligible patrons will receive promo codes by email on the day of each presale.

Through the Center's Create Your Own package offer, patrons can select four or more events from the entire schedule and enjoy benefits including discounts and presale opportunities as new



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**Legendary singer-songwriter Emmylou Harris has just been added to the Center Presents lineup. She will play the Palladium on April 3, 2025.**

shows are added throughout the season. For information, visit [TheCenterPresents.org/SubscribeNow](http://TheCenterPresents.org/SubscribeNow).

Free tickets for the April 9 performance by the United States Army Field Band & Soldiers' Chorus will be available in the spring.

The full 2024-2025 season schedule follows. All performances will take place at the Palladium except those with \*, which will take place at the Tarkington.

**Drewry Simmons Vornehm Jazz Series**  
• Average White Band: A Funk Finale (w/Four80East)

– Aug. 10

- Veronica Swift (w/Alicia Walter) – Sept. 14\*
- Boney James – Nov. 2

- Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis – Jan. 26
- Don Was & the Pan Detroit Ensemble – Feb. 28

**Hoosier Village & The Barrington of Carmel Songbook Series**

- Songbook Academy in Concert – July 20
- Renée Elise Goldsberry – Oct. 12

- Dionne Warwick – Nov. 24

- Bachelors of Broadway: Gentlemen of the Theatre – April 13

- Celebrate the Songbook: Michael Feinstein with the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra – May 10

**Classical Series**

- Australian Chamber Orchestra – Oct. 13

- Lang Lang – March 28

- Itzhak Perlman in Recital – April 17

**Katz, Sapper & Miller Pop/Rock Series**

- Jerome Collins: Re-wind – A Journey to Motown & Beyond (w/Ryan Ahlwardt) – Sept. 13\*
- Leonid & Friends: The Music of Chicago and More – Sept. 27

- Damien Escobar: Victory Lap Tour – Sept. 28
- Grand Funk Railroad – Oct. 19

- Space Oddity: The Quintessential David Bowie Tribute Experience – Oct. 26
- Vitamin String Quartet: The Music of Taylor Swift,

Bridgerton & Beyond – Oct. 27

- Yesterday and Today: The Interactive Beatles Experience – Jan. 18

- The Evolution of Joni Mitchell starring Lauren Fox – Jan. 24\*
- The Kings of Queen – Feb. 1

- Folsom Prison Experience: Legendary 1968 Johnny Cash Concert – Feb. 15
- Brooklyn Charmers: A Steely Dan Tribute – March 7\*

- Welcome Back: The Return of Emerson, Lake & Palmer – March 21
- Dustbowl Revival: A Laurel Canyon Retrospective – March 21\*

- Pure Prairie League – April 5
- Micky Dolenz of the Monkees: An Evening of Songs & Stories – April 25

**Old Town Family Series**

- The Magic of Michael Grandinetti: Experience the Magic – Nov. 2\* (two shows)
- Buckets N Boards Comedy Percussion Show – Nov. 17

- GRIMMZ Fairy Tales – March 23
- Our Planet Live: A Netflix Original Documentary Series with Dan Tapster – April 29

- iLuminate – May 11

**Telamon Passport Series**

- Zakir Hussain & Rahul Sharma – Nov. 1
- Grupo Niche – Nov. 8
- Heart of Afghanistan

featuring the Fanoos Ensemble – Jan. 25\*

- Kalani Pe'a: Grammy-winning Singer, Songwriter – Feb. 22
- The StepCrew – March 7

- The Red Hot Chili Pipers – March 23\*
- Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain – April 12

**Printing Partners Encore Series**

- Nick Carter: Who I Am Tour – Sept. 26
- Ben Folds: Paper Airplane Request Tour (w/Lindsey Kraft) – Oct. 10
- The Piano Guys – Nov. 9 (two shows)

- An Evening with Leslie Odom Jr. – Nov. 22
- Mac McAnally – Jan. 10

- Peter Sagal: Host of NPR's Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me! – Feb. 7
- An Intimate Evening With Steve Wariner – Feb. 21
- Emmylou Harris – April 3

- Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives – May 1

**Holiday Series**

- Canadian Brass – Nov. 23
- Home Free: "Any Kind of Christmas" Tour – Dec. 3
- Cherry Poppin' Daddies: WWII Tiki Xmas Canteen – Dec. 5
- The Four Phantoms: Holiday Show – Dec. 6
- Jane Lynch's A Swingin' Little Christmas – Dec. 7

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## Kroger 'Symphony on the Prairie' season continues through Aug. 31

Summer lineup features favorites from songbooks of Jimmy Buffett, Taylor Swift, Tom Petty & so much more

**The REPORTER**

Experience the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra (ISO) and many other musical guests each weekend at the Conner Prairie Symphony Bowl. It's the perfect place to meet friends and family for a fun night out.

**Tickets are on sale now** for the overall season and will be offered through Labor Day weekend at the Conner Prairie Amphitheatre in Fishers.

**Remaining Shows Schedule**

- Saturday, July 27: Cody Fry – Singer, songwriter, composer, producer, arranger, and multi-instrumentalist Cody Fry performed on American Idol and has released several solo albums since 2006. Following his sellout performances with the ISO at Hilbert Circle Theatre earlier this year, Fry's soaring vocals and brilliant compositions will take fans on a thrilling mu-

sical journey. Concert will feature the ISO.

- Friday, Aug. 2: Evil Woman: The American ELO
- Saturday, Aug. 3: A1A: The Official and Original Jimmy Buffett Tribute Show
- Friday, Aug. 9: Arrival from Sweden: The Music of ABBA
- Saturday, Aug. 10: Yächtleý Crëw with Rock E Bassoon
- Friday, Aug. 16: Hollywood Nights: A Bob Seger Experience
- Saturday, Aug. 17: Let's Sing Taylor: A Live Band Experience (This is selling fast, so get your tickets now.)
- Friday, Aug. 23: Free Fallin: The Tom Petty Concert Experience
- Saturday, Aug. 24: Face2Face: A Tribute to Elton John & Billy Joel
- Friday, Aug. 30: Proud Tina: Ultimate Tribute to Tina Turner
- Saturday, Aug. 31: Fab

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**Tickets**

**Buy tickets on the ISO's website.** Tickets may also be purchased at most central Indiana Kroger stores, at the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office at 45 Monument Circle, Indianapolis, or by calling the Box Office at (317) 639-4300.

Purchase tickets to three or more concerts and automatically receive a 10 percent discount. No code needed. Discount calculated at checkout. Don't sweat the weather forecast! You may exchange your tickets before the start of the concert.

Kroger *Symphony on the Prairie* is the perfect spot for a family gathering, a class reunion, or a casual networking event. Groups of 30 or more may purchase discounted tickets to Kroger Symphony on the Prairie at a 10 percent discount. For group sales, email [groups@indianapolis-symphony.org](mailto:groups@indianapolis-symphony.org).



# CSO welcomes Antonia Bennett to Carmel Jazz Fest with Special Guest B. Thompson

**The REPORTER**

Welcome conductor Joel Smirnoff to the Palladium as he leads the Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) on Friday, Aug. 9 for the opening night of the Carmel Jazz Festival in a celebration concert honoring Duke Ellington's 125th birthday and the 100th anniversary of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue."

At 8 p.m. that evening, Vocalist Antonia Bennett, daughter of Tony Bennett, returns to Carmel, dazzling Palladium audiences with songbook favorites. Avery Fisher Award Recipient and American Pianist Association Laureate Mackenzie Melemed makes his debut with the CSO.

Special Guest B. Thompson will open the evening at 6:30 p.m. Currently on tour with the National Recording Artist

Babyface, B. Thompson has been recognized by celebrities and media such as Chris Brown, Cardi B., Chloe & Halle and Mariah Carey. He has performed with legendary musicians and singers such as Najee, Kirk Whalum, Kenny Lattimore, Faith Evans, Toni Braxton, and H.E.R.

Celebrate the opening weekend of the second annual Carmel Jazz Festival with two fantastic performances for the price of one. [Click here](#) for tickets.

**VIP Afterparty**

Come to Brham Founders Club to meet captivating vocalist Antonia Bennett and R&B saxophone instrumentalist B. Thompson. CSO musicians and Principal Guest Conductor Joel Smirnoff will also be in attendance. For add-on tickets, please call the Fifth



Photos provided

**B. Thompson (above left) will open the evening, and Antonia Bennett (above right) will perform with CSO.**

Third Bank Box Office at (317) 843-3800 or email [Tickets@TheCenterPresents.org](mailto:Tickets@TheCenterPresents.org).

**Save the date:** On Sunday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m., CSO presents *Super Diamond:*

*The Neil Diamond Tribute.* Don't miss this innovative combination of symphonic music and iconic Neil Diamond hits.

Season tickets go on sale soon. Visit [CarmelSymphony.org](http://CarmelSymphony.org) for the list of this season's exciting performances.

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Antonia Bennett, vocalist  
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Gershwin, "Rhapsody in Blue," Mackenzie Melemed  
Antonia Bennett, vocal arrangements

## Attorney General Rokita warns Hoosiers of charitable scams related to attempted assassination of former President Trump

**The REPORTER**

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is warning Hoosiers to watch out for scammers soliciting donations for fake charitable causes.

Good Samaritans started a legitimate fundraising effort to support families of those killed and wounded during the July 13 attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump, but scammers have used this tragedy to start their own copycat efforts to lure donors to give money to imposter accounts.

"These fraudsters appeal to people's natural sense of compassion and patriotism in order to steal their hard-earned money," AG Rokita said. "Although most of us are appalled by such vile conduct, this is exactly the way scammers think and operate. They try to take advantage of difficult circumstances for their own personal gain. We want to help good-hearted Hoosiers avoid falling for these schemes."

AG Rokita encourages Hoosiers to exercise caution not only in regard to this specific scam but anytime they receive solicitations related to high-profile news

events that scammers may attempt to exploit.

In regard to solicitations involving political figures and causes, caution is especially warranted during an election year when many Hoosiers will receive more emails, phone calls, and other communications from political organizations.

Attorney General Rokita offers the following tips:

- **Slow down.** A real charity will accept your donations any day of the week. Take as much time as you need to research and feel confident about the organization before handing over your hard-earned money.

- **Know that it's OK to ask questions.** If the request for a donation is over the phone, the caller should be able to answer critical questions.

- **Know who's making the request.** Don't assume a request to donate is legitimate because a friend posted it on social media. Your friend might not personally know about the charity or how it spends money.

- **Make sure you are dealing with the real char-**



Rokita

**itable organization.** Be leery of year-end appeals from unknown or unfamiliar organizations you receive by phone, mail, email and/or social media.

- **Always donate by credit card rather than cash or other methods.** This will ensure you can access the protections available through your credit card company.

- **Research the cause or the organization.** Search online for the name of the organization or cause with words like "review," "scam," or "complaint." See if others have had good or bad experiences with the charity. Check out what charity watchdog groups say about that organization.

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- [CharityNavigator.org](http://CharityNavigator.org)
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## Former U.S. Postal Service Maintenance Manager sentenced for stealing cash from mail at Indianapolis Distribution Center

**The REPORTER**

Barry Gallon, 54, McCordsville, has been sentenced to one year of probation after pleading guilty to theft of mail matter by officer or employee, a felony criminal offense.

According to court documents, Gallon was employed as a Maintenance Manager at the United States Postal Service's Indianapolis Processing and Distribution Center for seven years. Between Aug. 31, 2023, and Sept. 20, 2023, Gallon stole cash from let-

ters, packages, bags, and mail within the mainstream at the distribution center. The total amount of money stolen by the defendant was found to be no more than \$6,500.

"Since the founding of our country, the U.S. Postal Service has been a vital resource for all Americans – a resource that requires that Americans are able to trust that their mail will reach its intended destination," said Zachary A. Myers, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana. "When

public servants criminally exploit their positions for their own gain, they must be held accountable. The felony criminal conviction here will ensure that the defendant will never again be in a similar position of trust."

The United States Postal Service, Office of Inspector General investigated this case. The sentence was imposed by U.S. District Judge Matthew P. Brookman.

U.S. Attorney Myers thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Corbin D. Houston, who prosecuted this case.

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**TODAY'S BIBLE READING**

**FAMILY RECORD OF MOSES AND AARON**

Now the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron about the Israelites and Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he commanded them to bring the Israelites out of Egypt. These were the heads of their families:

The sons of Reuben the firstborn son of Israel were Hanok and Pallu, Hezron and Karmi. These were the clans of Reuben.

The sons of Simeon were Gemuel, Jamin, Ohad, Jakin, Zohar and Shaul the son of a Canaanite woman. These were the clans of Simeon.

These were the names of the sons of Levi according to their records: Gershon, Kohath and Merari. Levi lived 137 years.

The sons of Gershon, by clans, were Libni and Shimei.

The sons of Kohath were Amram, Izhar, Hebron and Uzziel. Kohath lived 133 years.

The sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi.

These were the clans of Levi according to their records.

Amram married his father's sister Jochebed, who bore him Aaron and Moses. Amram lived 137 years.

The sons of Izhar were Korah, Nepheg and Zikri.

The sons of Uzziel were Mishael, Elzaphan and Sithri.

Aaron married Elisheba, daughter of Aminadab and sister of Nahshon, and she bore him Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.

The sons of Korah were Assir, Elkanah and Abiasaph. These were the Korahite clans.

Eleazar son of Aaron married one of the daughters of Putiel, and she bore him Phinehas.

These were the heads of the Levite families, clan by clan.

It was this Aaron and Moses to whom the Lord said, "Bring the Israelites out of Egypt by their divisions." They were the ones who spoke to Pharaoh king of Egypt about bringing the Israelites out of Egypt—this same Moses and Aaron.

Exodus 6:13-27 (NIV)

**Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation installs "Bison & Calf" sculpture by Dominic Benhura in Central Park**

**The REPORTER**

Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation (CCPR) installed a new sculpture in Central Park. The sculpture, titled "Bison & Calf," was created by artist **Dominic Benhura** of Zimbabwe.

Benhura is an internationally renowned sculptor whose artwork is known for exploring themes of family, the natural environment, and the relationship between them. Another of Benhura's sculptures, titled "Swing Me Higher, Mama," was installed in Carmel in 2022, located on the southeast corner of the intersection at Main Street and Veterans Way.

"This piece for Central Park is a sculpture of a mother bison and her calf," Parks & Recreation Director Michael Klitzing said. "Historically, bison were found throughout Indiana and were an integral part of the state's grassland landscape, although they were all killed or migrated by 1830. The American Bison is preserved as part of our history on the Indiana State Seal, making it the ideal subject for the sculpture."

The sculpture was hand-carved from a single large serpentine stone, using only a small hammer and chisel. It is over seven feet tall and weighs approximately 15,000 pounds.

"Bison & Calf" is lo-



Photos provided

ated between the lagoon and College Avenue on the west side of Central Park. The sculpture was commissioned by Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation in 2022 and facilitated by Jayne During, owner of **Kuaba Gallery** in Carmel. The 2010 Central Park Master Plan envisioned artwork along the trail surrounding the park's lagoon that would be interesting and engaging to children.

"CCPR would like to recognize former Clay Township Trustee Doug Callahan and former Mayor Jim Brainard, who were instrumental in introducing us to Mr. Benhura and advocating for this effort to bring public art to Central Park," Klitzing said. "Our hope is that 'Bison & Calf' will en-



gage parkgoers of all ages, inspiring them to explore and safeguard our natural spaces for years to come."

Benhura completed most of the sculpture in Zimbabwe and will add finishing touches on-site over the next several days. Children in CCPR's **Summer Camp Series** will have an opportunity to interact with

the sculptor while he is completing the piece.

The public is also welcome to meet and discuss the piece with Benhura in Central Park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today, July 27 through Tuesday, July 30. Please refer to CCPR's social media channels for any updates or changes to this schedule.

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## Longtime Tigers track & field coach gets national recognition

*Nathan Warnecke is first Hoosier to be named National High School Track & Field Boys Coach of the Year*

### The REPORTER

Winning a state championship gets you noticed, and not just in your home state.

The Fishers boys track and field team claimed its first-ever state title in June at Indiana University. It was a great achievement for the Tigers and head coach Nathan Warnecke, who has been with the program since it began: Warnecke was an assistant for Fishers during its first two years (2007 and 2008) and has been the head coach since 2009.

Early this week, Warnecke received another honor: he was named the National High School Track & Field Boys Coach of the Year by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. Warnecke is the first Indiana coach to receive that honor.

"When I received the official call Monday afternoon from the USTFCCA I was a little shocked and completely humbled," said Warnecke. He will be honored in December at the annual USTFCCA Convention in Orlando, Fla.

The Tigers were runners-up at the Westfield sectional and Lafayette Jefferson regional before they pounced at the state meet. Tyler Tarter led the way, sweeping the 100 and 300 hurdle events in addition



File photo courtesy Fishers Athletics  
Fishers boys track and field coach Nathan Warnecke helped the Tigers to their first ever IHSAA state championship last June.

to running on the sixth-place 4x400 relay team with Matthew Kim, Leo Morrow and Makell Wiggins.

Joel Gates finished second in the discus, while JonAnthony Hall placed second in the long jump. Fishers' 4x800 relay team of Declan Mohr, Wiggins, Bryson Slagle and Kim also took second in that event. The 4x100 relay squad of Joe Syrus, Carsen Eloms, Hall and Tristan Capps finished third, and Kim placed fifth in the 800 run.

Being able to watch this team compete this past sea-



Warnecke

son and the way they conducted themselves in the face of adversity was one of the top thrills of my coaching career," said Warnecke. That included dealing with injuries and losing a key runner for the season in April: Sam Quagliaroli, who finished third at last fall's state cross country meet.

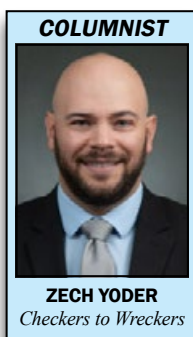
Warnecke said that "at any time these guys could have said, 'I guess it's just not our year.'" But the coach said instead, the team "faced these setbacks head on, supported each other, and focused on the

day-in day-out preparation so when they had to face horrendous weather conditions at the State Meet, they were up to the task."

Warnecke said it was "pretty special" to watch how everything came together, calling it a testament to the athletes – especially the seniors – their parents and families who supported them, and his "amazing coaching staff." That staff consists of Corey Eloms, Kyle Goodwin, Shelbie Tarter and Lorraine Eloms (sprints and hurdles); Trevor Thompson and Lance Kuhn (distance); Eduardo Torres, Travis Rogers and Ryan Potter (jumps and vault); and Ben Wyss and Raegene Thomas (throws).

## The best short track in America?

American motorsport was born on the short track. A style and skill set that is distinctly American. From sprint cars, to modifieds, to stock cars, short track racing is at the heart of American motorsports.



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way. Only the ARCA Menards Series remained at IRP.

Ultimately, the dirt track experiment ended and in 2022, Truck Series racing returned to IRP. For the past three years, the

The title of best short track in America is a distinction with significant consequence. Think of all the great short tracks: Martinsville, Bristol, South Boston, North Wilkesboro, Five Flags, Berlin Raceway. All unique and beloved by those who grew up watching or racing on them. What cannot be denied is the fact that Indianapolis Raceway Park is an enduring contender for best short track in America, especially as it relates to stockcar racing.

The .686-mile oval was completed and hosted its first race in 1961. With wide 12-degree banked turns Indianapolis Raceway Park, or IRP for short, allows drivers to run from the apron of the track all the way up to the wall. The result is fantastic three and sometimes four-wide racing.

Although more closely associated with USAC and open wheel racing, NASCAR's association with IRP goes back to the early '80s. From 1982 until 2011, the NASCAR Xfinity Series made an annual stop at IRP. When the Craftsman Truck Series was introduced in 1995, it too made a yearly visit to the track. In 2011, however, NASCAR's top divisions moved onto "bigger" and "better" things. The Xfinity Series joined the Cup Series at Indianapolis Motor Speedway and the Craftsman Truck Series took to the dirt at Eldora Speed-

Craftsman Truck Series has put on a masterclass at IRP. The racing has been excellent and playoff implications has been a storyline weaved throughout the night. Unquestionably, the truck race leaves you wanting more. The Xfinity Series, to be precise. Putting the Xfinity cars back on the track at IRP would be instant NASCAR gold. The Xfinity cars race great on short tracks and would put on quite a multi-groove show for NASCAR fans.

The reality, as disappointing as it may be, is that I just don't see that happening. Unless the Xfinity Series comes to IRP on another weekend, it will not be back. The influence of Indianapolis Motor Speedway is simply too much for IRP to overcome. Further, the facilities at IMS are far superior to IRP. Based solely on racing product, IRP is much better suited for stockcar. Although it is unfortunate that Xfinity will likely not return to IRP, one can take comfort in the fact that the Truck Series has returned.

If I could offer one suggestion: alternate the years for Xfinity. IRP on the odd years and IMS on the even years. That would mean that Xfinity returns to IRP next year. I guess we can hold our breath...

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

## Carmel renames street in honor of tennis Olympian Rajeev Ram



Photo provided by City of Carmel

On July 22, live from Paris, France, Carmel native and tennis Olympian Rajeev Ram had a special FaceTime call. Mayor Sue Finkam, Ram's mother, and family members and friends gathered in Midtown Plaza to wish him well in the Olympic games. The Mayor also presented Ram's mother with a temporary street sign bearing his name, that will be placed at Walnut Street and Monon Boulevard. The City of Carmel is proud of all its Olympians and wishes them well.

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# Reid returns as Greyhounds boys golf coach

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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Chard Reid is back as the Carmel boys golf coach.

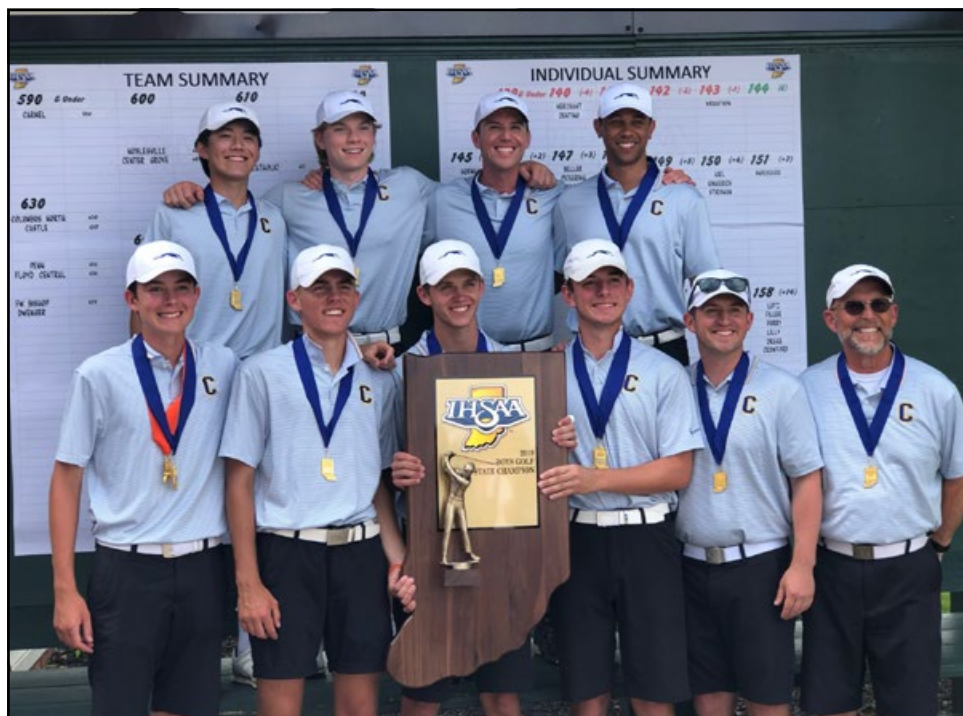
The Greyhounds announced Reid's return to the program earlier this month for what will be his second stint as head coach. Reid coached Carmel from 2014 to 2019, a period when the Greyhounds won two state championships (2018 and 2019) and finished runners-up once (2017).

Reid replaces Josh Shelton, who resigned to take a new position at Indiana University. He will be teaching sports marketing at IU.

"I was excited to step back into it," said Reid. "Whenever I was in administration, they don't allow administrators to coach. That role, that life is not for me. I just missed the boots on the ground, working with kids and I really miss coaching. That was part of the reason that I wanted to get back into a teaching role."

Reid is a work-based learning coordinator at Carmel High School. He said it's "kind of like a college major," where students take a career-focused slate of classes for three years in a row, then Reid gets them an internship.

An example includes students that take three years of business classes receiving an accountant internship. Companies such as Reynolds Farm Equipment, Heartland



(ABOVE LEFT) Chard Reid is returning to the Carmel boys golf team as head coach. Reid coached the Greyhounds from 2014 to 2019; Carmel won state in 2018 and 2019 (pictured here). (ABOVE RIGHT) Reid hugs his daughter Karis Reid after she won the Girls 12-13 Drive, Chip & Putt national championships last April at Augusta, Ga.



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Food Products Group and IU Health are among those that participate in work-based learning.

"IU North is our biggest partner," said Reid, noting that IU North pays \$16.50 per hour with students "working tons of hours" and making meaningful contributions to patient care.

"We try to make sure all the experiences are meaningful and authentic," said Reid. "We don't want them running to get coffee."

While Reid has been taking time away from coaching, he is keeping up with

the Carmel golf program. His daughter Karis, soon to be an eighth grader, won the Girls 12-13 Drive, Chip & Putt national championships last April at Augusta, Ga.

"I'm constantly watching online, keeping track of how the boys are performing," said Chard Reid. He said there are Carmel players that are "really active, playing in the two-day events, doing the things they need to do to get better."

The Greyhounds have kept their expectations high, even while playing in the Westfield sectional at Ulen

Country Club, which is consistently the toughest in the state. All three of the teams that advanced from Ulen this year placed in the top six, with Zionsville the state champion and the Shamrocks the runners-up for the third year in a row. Guerin Catholic won the previous two state titles also coming out of Ulen.

"One positive of being in the toughest sectional of the state is, you can't ever be complacent," said Reid. "We preach to the kids all the time, the sectional is usually decided by one stroke or less."

Carmel's sectional score this year was 298, but the Greyhounds finished fourth. They were tied for third place with Westfield, but the Shamrocks got to advance on the fifth-man score.

"I think that wins every sectional in the state except one or two," said Reid. "Ulen's a tough golf course."

Carmel did take all three individual advancing spots, which included a 70 from the now-graduated Noah Husk. But the other two advancers are back: Ethan Hoagland will be a senior and Noah Johnson will be a junior.

"We got great kids, man," said Reid. "I'm really excited to work with them."

Reid also was looking forward to seeing what the future Greyhounds will bring to the team.

"There's a lot of promise there, for sure," said Reid. "I've been watching a lot of middle school kids. I'd say the future's bright for the Greyhounds. We've got four sixth graders who can really play. We've got a really strong eighth grader coming in and there may be more that I don't even know about."

# Richardson returns to Training Camp ready to run the ball

By **ANGELA MORVAN**  
[WISH-TV | wishtv.com](http://WISH-TV/wishtv.com)

**WESTFIELD** – Indianapolis Colts quarterback Anthony Richardson saluted cheering fans on his first day back at Training Camp. After shoulder surgery shortened his rookie season, Richardson was ready

to get back out on the field — extra thankful to return to Grand Park for a second straight year.

"Man, all glory be to God," man," Richardson said after practice. "Just having the opportunity to come out here again, it's a blessing. I've been through a lot, but I never backed

down from it. I just kept running, kept my feet going. I trusted everyone around me — trusted my teammates, trusted my coaches, trusted the training staff and just kept it pushing. We out here Day 1 of Training Camp, and it's a blessing."

Colts head coach Shane Steichen was feeling equally blessed having his dual-threat quarterback back on the field — medically cleared and throwing bombs once again.

"The work ethic he put into it the whole offseason — going through his rehab, his treatment, being around his teammates, putting in the work in the summer," Steichen said. "He had a hell of a summer. He looked sharp. We'll go back and look at the tape, but he looked really good today."

Richardson's arm is fully healthy, but you can't forget about his legs. There have been a lot of questions on whether the Colts will limit Richardson's run game after

so many injuries last season. But Steichen's not planning on holding him back.

"Shoot, are you going to limit Steph Curry from shooting three pointers? Well, that's one of Anthony's strengths, so we're not going to get away from that. That's what he does well," Steichen said.

"My legs have always been one of my superpowers," Richardson said. "Trying to take that away from me, I don't think that's a good thing for this offense. It's just more so me playing a little bit more smarter and learning how to take care of myself for my teammates, and knowing when to make the right play and knowing when to get an extra few yards."

With Richardson's ability to make a play on the ground or in the air, Steichen's confident this Colts offense can show the NFL some new plays.

"I just think he'll make some plays that people ha-



Photo provided by WISH-TV

Colts quarterback Anthony Richardson is all smiles on the first day of Training Camp at Grand Park in Westfield.

ven't seen before," Steichen said. "He did some last year that were incredible, and just to build on that, a 22-year-old, going into a second year with the athletic ability that he brings, again just so excited about him."

The whole team's excited about getting having Richardson back in the backfield with running back

Jonathan Taylor, too. The Colts **return to Grand Park Saturday** for another morning practice. Colts City opens for fans at 8 a.m.

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