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Walking in the steps of a legend Anita Hagen is 'Meating the Need' one last time

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Countless hours of sacrifice, dedication, and hard work culminate this summer. Tireless community advocate, Anita Hagen, leads her final Meating the Need campaign, but Hagen is passing the baton to a new generation of leaders.

Each year the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank (HCHFB) hosts Meating the Need in conjunction with 4-H. The goal of the program is to provide a substantial amount of high-quality beef and pork to local food pantries as the demand for protein remains ever-present.

The Reporter spoke with former HCHFB Executive Director Anita Hagen, 4-H Organizer Ellie Miller, St. Christopher's Episcopal Church Contributor Deborah Foley, and Lisa Hanni from Purdue Extension Hamilton County.

According to Hagen, Meating the Need has persisted for the past 10 years, growing into one of the largest and most impactful initiatives fighting food insecurity in the state.

Hagen said finding funding had always remained a consistent issue. In order to cater to such a large need, it is crucial for the HCHFB to find donors and persistent avenues of support in order to purchase meat.

Hagen said you can make a contribution at tinyurl.com/



Reporter photo by Aida Karim
(From left) Randy Hagen, Anita Hagen, Ellie Miller, Tim Foley, Deborah Foley, Susan Peterson, Kim Beaver, Lisa Hanni took a moment to pose for The Reporter's camera at the Meating the Need Luncheon on June 9.

MeatingTheNeed2026 or by visiting the HCHFB webpage, hchfoodbank.org. Every donation makes a difference because the money goes directly toward supporting the program.

According to Lisa Hanni, not only does Meating the Need benefit the families who receive the meat, but also the family farms that provide for the program. As different animals are received, community members get the chance to bid on the inventory, with a portion of the monetary donation going directly to the family farms.

Hagen said the program had surprisingly gained much of its footing and continued support from the youth involved, with many 4-H'ers benefiting from their involvement with the program.

Ellie Miller, now a university student at Kansas State, said she had long been a 4-H member, contributing to the program through her family's farm.

Miller told The Reporter as a young child, it had always been difficult to part with the animals she had raised, but through Meating the Need, it always

reassured her that her animals were going to a good cause.

According to Deborah Foley, the program "has been a blessing for all of my grandkids."

Foley said as she watched her grandchildren grow older, each of them was uniquely involved with Meating the Need. It's important for them to take part in volunteer work where the impact is directly apparent, leading to years of dedication toward community initiatives.

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Holding onto the past

For a few days this week, I held the past in my hands.

Let me explain.

We have an extra room that used to be my Home Interior office and storage area. For the past few years, it has become the "I don't know where to put this" room. I have declared 2026 my Year of the Great Purge.

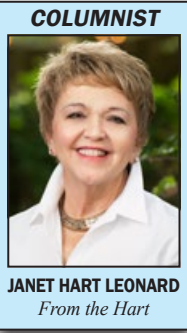
I'm sentimental to a fault. The "I remember" moments have kept me from letting go of the things that hold sentimental value. For me, it's not so much about the monetary value but the treasure in my heart vault.

One reason I felt I needed to purge things was that if I did not wake up one morning, I did not want to burden my daughter, Emily, or my daughter-in-law, Angie, with sorting through that room and all my stuff. I could hear them saying, "What was she thinking? Did she really think we would need (or want) all these doilies, picture frames, wooden signs, books, and home décor?"

It wasn't difficult to pack those into my Ford Flex and take them to St. Vincent DePaul. I worked for three days until my back said, "You are done!" My bender reminded me of my age.

The difficult moments were holding on to something my heart wasn't ready to let go of. I admit to sitting with a few pictures and remembering the people in them who are no longer here, and the tears reminded me how very much they loved me.

There was a letter my mother wrote about my adoption. There were pictures of her looking at me when I was a baby. I could hear her thoughts . . . *for this child, I prayed.*



COLUMNIST
JANET HART LEONARD
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Honoring World War II Veteran Jules Goudy on his 101st birthday

By JON BALDWIN
Clay Township Military Library & Museum

We are honored to recognize World War II veteran Jules Goudy on the occasion of his 101st birthday, which was June 17, 2026.

Mr. Goudy served in the U.S. Army during World War II, seeing duty in both the European and Western Pacific theaters as a soldier and a musician, and his story reflects the resilience and devotion of his generation.

Earlier this year, our volunteers with the Clay Township Military Library and Museum visited Jules at his home in Noblesville to record his memories for the museum's oral history collection. He shared vivid recollections of growing up during the Great Depression, entering the Army as a young man, traveling from stateside training to Europe in early 1945, and later deploying to the Philippines following the war's end. As a



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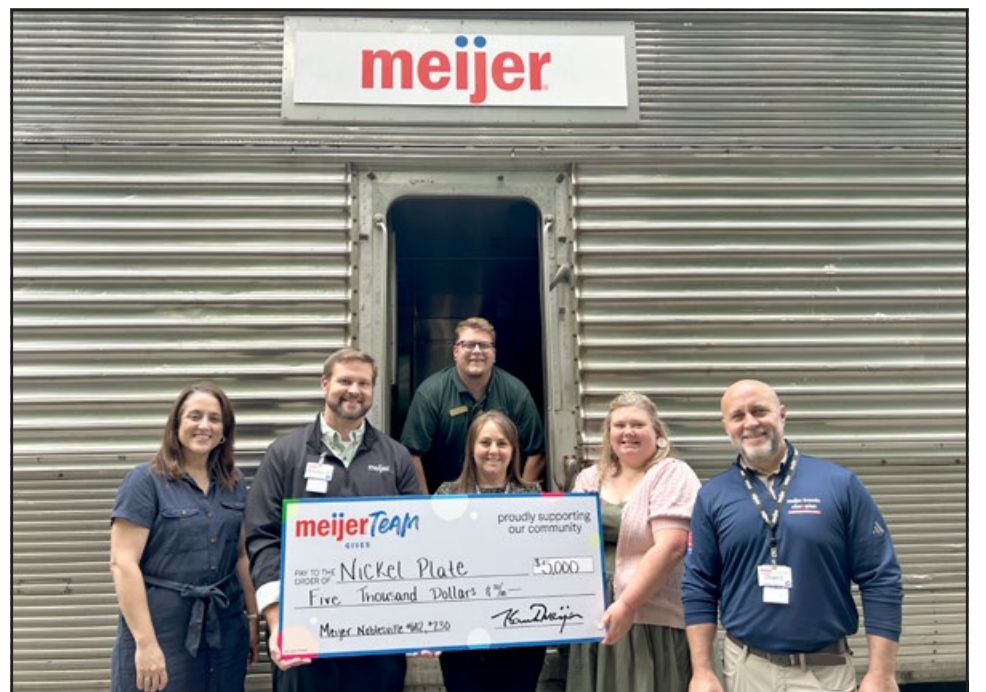
For Mr. Goudy's birthday, Debby Doss knitted a scarf in the pattern and colors of the World War II Victory ribbon, as well as a red, white, and blue afghan.

trumpeter and member of his division band, he not only supported morale through music but also served at regimental headquarters as the division moved across France and into Germany.

On June 17, 2026, the Museum's Board had the privilege of presenting Jules with two special hand

knitted gifts in recognition of his service and this milestone birthday. The first was a scarf created in the pattern and colors of the World War II Victory campaign ribbon, symbolizing his contribution to the Allied victory and the gratitude of a community

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Reporter photo by Aida Karim

(From left) Christine DeJoy, Brandon Davis, Samantha Shoemaker, Emily Reynolds, Chad Clark, with Camden Oslund at top, celebrate the \$5,000 partnership and the naming of the Meijer Dining Car.

Meijer gets on board with Nickel Plate Express support

By AIDA KARIM
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Supporting local business comes with its endless benefits.

Meijer officially handed over a check, solidifying their partnership with the Nickel Plate Express (NPX)

last Thursday, June 18, at Hobbs Station, 825 Forest Park Drive, Noblesville. The sponsorship money will go directly toward preserving the historic railway over the course of this year.

The Reporter spoke with NPX Executive Director Emily Reynolds, NPX

Board President Christine DeJoy, and Meijer Store Directors Brandon Davis and Chad Clarke.

Reynolds told The Reporter the NPX operates as a non-profit, with the premiere goal of the organization

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Tipton's Diana Theatre centennial celebration unveils transition to community stewardship

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During a special event last Monday, June 15, celebrating the 100th anniversary of The Diana Theatre, the Paikos family announced that ownership and operation of the historic theatre will transition to the Tipton Main Street Association (TMSA).

The announcement marks the beginning of a new chapter for one of Tipton's most recognizable landmarks while ensuring the preservation of its historic character and con-



Photo provided

(From left) TMSA Board Members James Davis and Julian Purvis, Diana Theatre Owner Nick Paikos, TMSA Board Chair Rob Cochrane III, TMSA Board Member Lindsey Ogden, and Tipton County Community Development Director Abbie Smith.

tinued role as a gathering place for the community.

Since 1926, The Diana Theatre has been owned

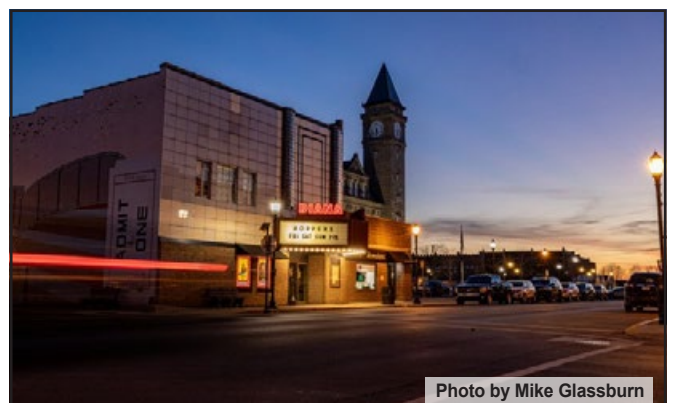


Photo by Mike Glassburn

and operated by the Paikos family, welcoming generations of moviegoers and serving as an important

part of life in downtown Tipton.

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Photos provided by Husky 4-H'ers Club
The Cicero Fire Department spoke to the Husky 4-H'ers about the different types of equipment firefighters use.

One door closes, but another one opens

By CASH CAMPERELLI
Husky 4-H'ers Club Reporter

On June 10, the Husky 4-Her's had their last meeting of the year. But just because our year has ended doesn't mean that we should be sad.

In fact, we had a lot to celebrate this year.

We looked at all our memories of the year through our scrapbook, made by Macy Booth, and then went on to celebrate our seniors who were graduating this year. Out of the nine seniors who graduated, three received our club's \$500 scholarships: Addison Mann, Lauren Happel, and Abby Martin. After each told us what school they planned to go to and what their favorite part of 4-H was, we started the meeting out with our usual business.

After the pledges, Colton Hoane gave the Secretary's report, and Stella Hartwick did the Treasurer's report. (Be sure to buy our grilled cheese sandwiches at the 4-H Fair this year! You support our club by doing this, and we do lots of charitable things with the money.)

Sophia Camperelli and Matthew Duprey did a



Health and Safety Demonstration on how to stay safe around the pool (how convenient), such as not running around the pool.

Bellamy Fouch and Levi Small led us in singing "Happy Birthday" for the last time this year to our members celebrating a birthday.

Then we got to the trivia question. The question was "When was 4-H started?" The correct answer was 1936, and Sophia Camperelli won that.

Demos were next, and they were a couple of good

ones. Colton Hoane and Leah Happel did a demonstration on getting your animal ready for the fair. They provided helpful tips such as what criteria to use when selecting animals, along with some of the things you should use when showing/raising animals for show.

After them, Teagan Stroh finished the demonstrations for the night by teaching us about dog obedience and Australian Shepherds. She showed us some

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Carmel S.A.F.E. House is a great place for a club tour



Photo provided by Emily Pearson

On June 10, the Hamilton County Republican Women's Club toured the Carmel Fire Station S.A.F.E House. The S.A.F.E. House offers a controlled environment where visitors of all ages can engage in realistic simulations, from house fires and ambulance rides to tornado scenarios and navigating roundabouts. These hands-on learning opportunities aim to equip individuals with the knowledge and confidence to respond effectively in emergency situations. They've had 1,400 people in 10 weeks. This would be a great event to take kids to this summer. Please visit carmel.in.gov/804/SAFE-House and call Renee Butts with any questions at (317) 571-4245. (From left) Angela Frazier, Tina Mangos, Beth Sheller, Robin Clark, Renee Butts, Gloria Del Greco, Sue Tapp Lile, Angela Swenson, Nancy Smith, and Sandi Lyle.

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being to protect and preserve the oldest surviving railroad in Indiana.

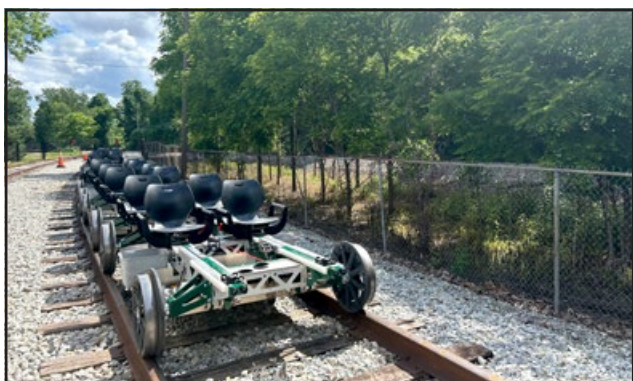
NPX strives to provide cost-friendly educational experiences to children, showing the community the living history of such a significant landmark. Meaningful sponsorships like the Meijer partnership help keep ticket prices down for the community.

"The money goes right back into that car and keeps it running for the year, whether that's new seating, and whether that's flooring upgrades, lighting upgrades," Reynolds said.

President DeJoy said NPX is looking to further develop the railbikes, repairing tracks further north. The sponsorship money goes directly to support these critical initiatives.

In terms of the benefits that Meijer reaps from the sponsorship, Reynolds said NPX makes sure Meijer gains a lot of exposure on the railway.

As part of the sponsorship, Meijer receives nam-



Reporter photo by Aida Karim

Dining cars, lounge cars, coach cars, railbikes... NPX will help you ride the rails however the heck you want!

ing rights over one of the train cars.

"We make sure everybody hears that it's the Meijer dining car, which is our top-of-the-line car. We let people know this is the best seating on the whole train," Reynolds said. "We use their name on our ticketing, on our website, and try to make sure everybody knows that Meijer is a fantastic community supporter."

According to Store Director Davis, Meijer strongly prioritizes supporting local, family businesses.

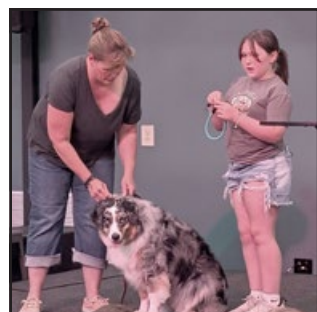
"It really matters what

organization we give the money to," Davis said.

Store Director Clarke said it's important for their team to go out and see their name involved with amazing family, community-oriented initiatives.

Reynolds said she doesn't want to underestimate the impact sponsorships can have on the operations of NPX.

"The money helps us keep the history alive and keep the cars in good shape, just bringing families in to have that experience," Reynolds said.



Photos provided by Husky 4-H'ers Club

(ABOVE LEFT) Cash Camperelli tries on a fireman's jacket, which, according to him is quite heavy. (TOP CENTER) Seniors Abby Martin, Addison Mann, and Lauren Happel each received a scholarship. (TOP RIGHT) Colton Hoane and Leah Happel explain how to get your animal ready for the 4-H Fair. (ABOVE CENTER) Lauren Happel with Sophia Camperelli, who won the Trivia Contest. (ABOVE RIGHT) Teagan Stroh, her mom, and her dog, Cody.

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Reliving history in midair

Commemorative Air Force uses vintage aircraft to build new memories

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It's difficult to imagine today what military combat was like for pilots 80 years ago. Thanks to the Commemorative Air Force (CAF), people now have the chance to experience history and fly in aircraft as old as World War II. On Saturday, June 13, that chance came to the Indianapolis Executive Airport, 11329 State Road 32, Zionsville.

The Reporter spoke with veterans Tim Sparks, Jonathan Bess, and Kyle Hanna about their military service and what resonated with them while flying historical aircraft.

According to Sparks, he got his start in the Navy in 1976, later flying carrier planes in Desert Storm. He used a special type of aircraft, coined a prowler, meant to jam radars, TV sets, and communications.

He said, "Aviation opened up pathways for me for my entire life."

Following his service Sparks said he pursued a career with FedEx. He later retired and began working for the CAF, now flying the historically significant aircraft that veterans and other civilians have the chance to savor.

Jonathan Bess was a veteran who had the chance to fly in one of the aircraft.

Bess said he graduated from the Merchant Marine Academy in 2003, then went into the Air Force, retiring in April of 2024, and now flies commercial airplanes. Similar to Sparks, Bess also was a pilot in the military.

He said he chose to join the Air Force because he wanted to give back to his country.



Reporter photo by Bill Miller
The Reporter's Flying Ace Aida Karim sits on the runway before taking flight.

"I had a pretty good upbringing in Minnesota, and I wanted to help the little guys, something I always fought for," Bess said. "Being deployed to Afghanistan and the Middle East was hugely impactful."

After flying in the plane, Bess said, "To fly with another veteran was really, really cool, being able to connect on common interests, so it was a blast."

Another veteran, Kyle

Hanna, said he served in the Army as a military policeman, stationed both overseas and stateside.

Speaking of his military experience in general, Hanna said the emotional ties and camaraderie he carried with his fellow soldiers is unlike any other connection he's ever had.

"It was intense, going through the things you did with those people you were in a unit with," Hanna said,



Photos provided
(ABOVE LEFT) Steve Schifman (left), bombardier and navigator, and Tim Sparks pose next to the A-6E TRAM Intruder during the late 1980s. (ABOVE RIGHT) Sparks in VAQ-132 "Scorpions" in November 1990 during Operation Desert Shield. Sparks was flying the lead plane in Western Saudi Arabia near the Red Sea.

"Getting back to civilian life, it just isn't the same."

Having the opportunity to fly the vintage aircraft, Hanna said he was reminded of his grandfather who served the military during World War II.

"To go up in these aircraft and hear the sounds, smell the engines and fuel, it

makes you step back and look at the young boys that flew these aircraft back in the 1940s and know what they had to endure," Hanna told The Reporter.

Coming from a family with a long military history, Hanna said the experience was particularly special for him.

He said, "It's unmatched. The emotional grasp of it is hard to decipher or or tell someone how it feels."

You can learn about CAF and sign up for their newsletter to keep track of when they will be back in Hamilton County online at CommemorativeAirForce.org.



Reporter photos by Bill Miller
On Friday, June 12, CAF was kind enough to let The Reporter's own intrepid intern Aida Karim and star shooter Bill Miller get a preview of what the public would have the opportunity to experience during Barnstorming Days on Saturday. Our media preview took place at the Sheridan Airport, 27045 Jerkwater Road.

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that still benefits from the freedoms secured by his generation. The second was an afghan/lap robe, designed to offer both warmth and a daily reminder that his service is remembered and honored.

These items were lovingly knitted by Debby Doss, wife of U.S. Air Force Vietnam veteran Bill Doss, friends and strong supporters of the Clay Township Military Library and Museum. The Victory ribbon scarf continues a family tradition begun by Bill's mother, who once knitted a similar scarf for her husband, a World War II veteran, and Debby has extended that legacy by creating scarves and afghans for other World War II veterans, including those recognized at Indy Honor Flight gatherings. At the Museum, Debby's scarves are displayed in our Home Front collection, un-

derscoring how families on the home front – and, today, their descendants – express enduring support and gratitude to those who served.

The Museum Board asked Bill and Debby to create a WW2 Victory ribbon-themed scarf specifically for Jules' 101st birthday, and they graciously offered the afghan as an additional gift. Together, these hand-crafted pieces represent not only the service of one remarkable veteran but also the love, care, and remembrance that knit our community to its history and to those who wore the nation's uniform.

We invite you to join us in wishing Jules Goudy a very happy 101st birthday and in thanking him for his faithful service to our country. Please take a moment to reflect on the sacrifices made by him and all who served during World War II.

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of the training leads she uses and told us some facts about Australian Shepherds. Did you know that Australia Shepherds are not from Australia, but North America?

Then we heard from our guest speakers, Battalion Chief Darren Collar and his firefighting crew from the Cicero Fire Department, who came to talk to us about the parts of a fire truck. We learned about RIT packs, which are used to rescue firefighters when they're in trouble, and how they use extraction tools to move metal so they can get to people.

But for some of us, we didn't just get to see the equipment: we got to feel it.

I got to put on a jacket that firefighters wear (it's heavy!), and Lauren Happel got to go up in the fire truck's extendable ladder. When asked how she felt about this, here is what she said: "Great, Cash, So

Great!" Once she came down, we ended the meeting with snacks and drinks.

And with that, I give you the final edition of "The Dirt" for the year. This month, we asked 4-Her's what their favorite part of the year was, and here's what they said:

• "Being able to see all of the different people, and what they do, and why they do it." – Colton Hoane

• "My favorite part of the year was going up in the fire truck 100 feet in the air." – Lauren Happel

• "My favorite part of the year was getting to tell all the kids about Camp Shakamak with Lisa Hanni and encourage kids to branch out!" – Addison Mann

And so, while one door closes for our club with our seniors leaving, a whole new chapter is opening for them, and for our club with the opportunity for new leadership to rise.

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According to Hagen, one highlight of the program is distribution day, when the food bank has collected all the meat and begins to hand it out to local pantries.

"When you see the big smiles on the food pantries

faces when they have the meat they are about to pass out, it's always a good feeling," she said.

Hagen said collecting protein is a crucial component of better serving disadvantaged communi-

ties. The food bank can always collect canned goods, but having nutrient-dense, high-quality, local protein makes such a difference.

"We can raise the money, the kids raise the animals, we purchase the animals so

that the kids can do it again next year, and then that meat goes to families who need it." She said, "There are very few things in life where you do have control, but this is one where we can make a difference."

DIANA

"Our family has owned The Diana since 1926," Nick Paikos said. "The most significant result of operating The Diana here in Tipton has been the connection to the people of this community. We may have been the family that opened the doors and kept the movies rolling and popcorn popping, but this community has become the soul of this place just as much as any of us."

Following a commemorative film highlighting the theatre's history, TMSA Board President Rob Cochrane III announced that the organization will assume ownership and stewardship of the theatre and begin planning a new downtown revitalization initiative known as Project Artemis.

Project Artemis is intended to preserve everything everyone loves about The Diana Theatre while expanding opportunities for adaptive reuse, arts programming, live performances, and downtown activity.

"We are honored that the Paikos family has entrusted the Tipton Main Street Association with the future of The Diana Theatre," Cochrane said. "Our goal is to preserve what makes this theatre special while ensuring it contin-



ues serving the community for generations to come."

Under TMSA ownership, The Diana will continue operating as an affordable and accessible entertainment venue. The organization has committed to preserving the theatre's historic character and maintaining its role as a cornerstone of downtown Tipton.

Prospective goals for Project Artemis include continued operation as an historic single-screen mov-

ie theatre, restoration and enhancement of the original performing arts stage, expanded opportunities for live performances and community theatre, additional programming for local artists and community organizations, and increased activity and investment in downtown Tipton.

TMSA leaders emphasized that the future success of the project will depend on community involvement through attendance, volun-

teerism, partnerships, and philanthropic support.

The organization will share additional details regarding Project Artemis and future efforts in the months ahead.

About The Diana Theatre

Founded in 1926, The Diana Theatre is a historic single-screen movie theatre located in downtown Tipton. For 100 years, it has served as a center for entertainment, culture, and community life.

HOLDING

I treasure these memories and tuck them into a frame for safekeeping.

I picked up a letter I had written in the summer of 1973 to my mom and dad. I was at church camp and very homesick. I was so young and so naive. My mother had kept that letter.

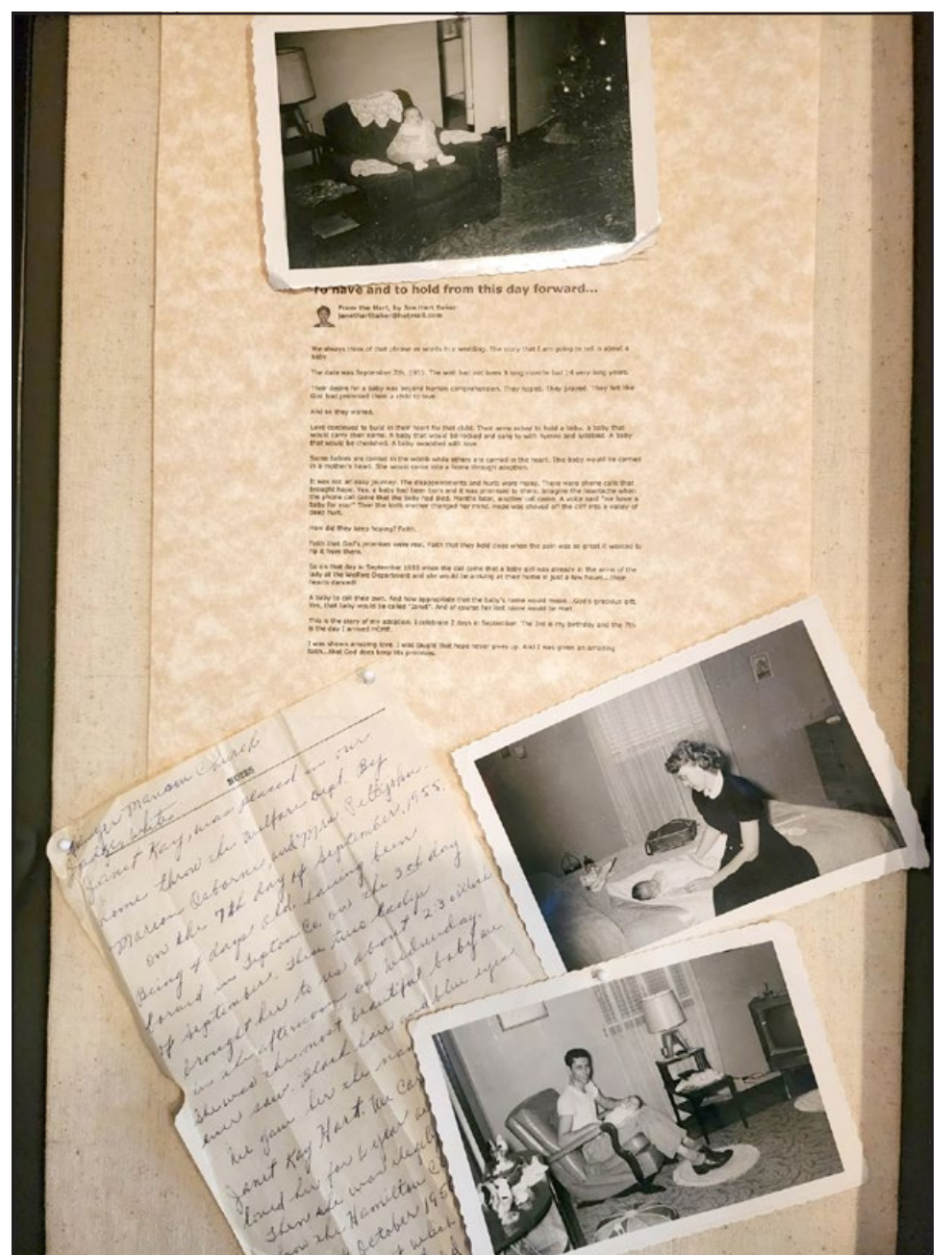
Picture albums remain stacked in the Hoosier Cabinet. Pictures stored in a phone don't have the same feel as those in albums. As pages turn, stories are told.

Opening boxes that held memories of my children growing up felt like reliving moments that took me back to my days as a young mother, when the days were long. Oh, how quickly those days passed. Did I actually coach my son Brandon's baseball team when he was six? Did I perm Emily's bangs when she was 10? Pictures proved both to be true.

It's funny the things I remember as I go through boxes. Some things hug my heart, and my eyes leak. Other things leave me shaking my head and asking why I felt the need to hang onto bronzed baby shoes or participant ribbons. Both Brandon and Emily memorized Bible verses when they were kids. Back then, I remember thinking, "I hope they remember them in their hearts when they get older."

All the while the rain was coming down on Wednesday, I was making countless trips to load up my car and the trash bins. St. Vincent DePaul got quite the haul on Thursday.

I wiped a few tears as I went down Memory Lane this week. It's not as crowded as it was before the Great Purge.



"Though I know I'll never lose affection; For people and things that went before; I know I'll often stop and think about them; In my life, I love you more." – The Beatles, "In My Life" (1965)

The boxes that remain hold a lifetime of memories of a 70-year-old woman who has been blessed beyond measure.

Emily and Angie, I know you will thank me someday. I hope you take the time to

read a few letters, look at a few pictures, and realize you are holding love in your hands. The past holds a lot of it. I know, because I held it in my hands this week.

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HSE Schools accepting applications for community engagement program

Submitted by HSE Schools

Hamilton Southeastern Schools is accepting applications for the 2026-27 HSEngaged cohort, a community engagement program designed to provide participants with a comprehensive, behind-the-scenes look at the operations of one of Indiana's largest school districts.

The program brings together parents, residents, business owners and community leaders interested in learning more about public education and the work that supports more than 20,000 HSE students.

Since its launch in 2021, HSEngaged has provided participants with direct access to district leaders and staff through monthly sessions focused on topics such as academics, school finance, student services, school safety, transportation, facilities, and communications.

Participants selected for the 2026-27 cohort will attend monthly meetings from



Recent participants in the HSEngaged program agree the experience is both informative and encouraging.

August through April at schools throughout the district.

"HSEngaged gives community members a chance to see beyond the headlines and gain a deeper understanding of the work happening across our schools," said Emily Pace Abbotts, Director of School and Community Relations at HSE Schools. "Participants hear directly from district leaders, visit our schools and engage in conversations

that help build informed and meaningful connections to HSE Schools."

Applications are due by noon on Tuesday, July 7, and participation is limited.

Recent participant feedback includes:

- "I felt that HSEngaged was an excellent experience. Every staff member who spoke was engaging, passionate and well-informed."
- "It is encouraging to see what HSE is doing for our

children. This is a wonderful program."

"I learned a lot through HSEngaged and have used the information I gained in conversations throughout the community to help others better understand school-related issues."

Applicants will be notified of their status by July 31.

For more information, including the meeting schedule and application, visit hschools.org/hsengaged.

Bell tapped to fill vacant Cicero Town Council seat



Three of the four Cicero precinct committeeman gathered on Wednesday, June 17 to fill a ballot vacancy for an At-Large spot on the Cicero Town Council. Clayton Bell was elected to fill the position. Hamilton County GOP Secretary Beth Sheller (left) is shown here with Bell following his election.

Photo provided by Emily Pearson

Aspiring healthcare professionals earn Dr. & Mrs. Bray Medical Scholarship

The REPORTER

Riverview Health Foundation has awarded seven exceptional high school seniors from Hamilton County the Dr. and Mrs. Bray Medical Scholarship and the Hamilton County Medical Society Scholarship.

The students from the 2025-2026 school year who received the scholarships include: Jude Al-Kaylani, Westfield High School; Jayden Bland, Hamilton Southeastern High School; Sierra Bramel, Hamilton Heights High School; Abigail Browning, Carmel High School; Abigail Herbert, Sheridan High School; Delaney Jasper, Fishers High School; and Elizabeth Norris, Noblesville High School.

"These students not only excel academically but also make significant contributions across a wide range of organizations, and we are proud to award them with these scholarships in recognition of their accomplishments," said Megan Wiles, Vice President of Foundation and Community Affairs, Riverview Health. "We look forward to supporting them



(From left) Jayden Bland, Delaney Jasper, Jude Al-Kaylani, Sierra Bramel, and Abigail Browning. Not pictured: Abigail Herbert and Elizabeth Norris.

Photo provided

throughout their college journeys and following their continued success after graduation."

The Dr. and Mrs. Bray Medical Scholarship is presented annually to graduating seniors from each public high school in Hamilton

County who plan to pursue a career in the medical field. The scholarship has supported more than 220 students in their academic journeys toward healthcare careers since it was established in 1991. Each recipient receives a one-time \$1,000 scholarship.

Furthermore, in partnership with the Riverview Health Foundation, each student received an additional \$500 from the Hamilton County Medical Society Scholarship.

For more information about Dr. and Mrs. Bray, visit riverview.org/bray-society.

Submitted by City of Tipton

The City of Tipton has announced the appointment of Jeffrey Ogden as the next Fire Chief of the Tipton Fire Department.

Ogden's appointment reflects his proven leadership within the department and a forward-looking vision for the future of fire and emergency services in Tipton and the surrounding county. Throughout his service with the Tipton Fire Department, he has demonstrated a sustained commitment to advancing the department's role as a provider of county-wide Advanced Life Support (ALS) services, working to ensure that residents across the county have access to high-quality, timely emergency care.

"Jeffrey has shown a clear ability to think strategically and navigate the complex challenges facing today's fire service," Mayor Kegan Schmicker said. "His collaborative approach and dedication to this community make him well-prepared to lead the Tipton Fire Department forward."

Ogden has also served in a leadership capacity within the fire union, an experience that has given him a ground-

ed understanding of both the personnel side of the department and the broader institutional dynamics that shape how a fire service operates.

A consistent focus of Ogden's leadership has been strengthening relationships across county-wide agencies. He recognizes that effective coordination and trust among emergency response partners directly leads to better outcomes for the communities those agencies serve.

As Fire Chief, Ogden will be responsible for leading the department's operations, personnel, training, community engagement, and public safety priorities, with a continued emphasis on ALS service delivery and interagency collaboration.

The City of Tipton remains committed to supporting a fire department that is well-equipped, professionally led, and deeply connected to the community and county it serves. Under Ogden's leadership, the department will continue to focus on ALS service excellence, officer development, and strengthening partnerships across Tipton County's emergency response network.



Ogden



Schmicker

Kroger celebrates Noblesville Marketplace with \$100K in donations to local charities

Harvest Food Bank, Prevail, Boys & Girls Club among recipients

The REPORTER

Kroger is growing again, opening another multimillion-dollar investment in central Indiana. The Kroger Marketplace is now open at 14744 Union Market Drive in Noblesville after the ribbon-cutting celebration held Friday, June 12.

"This store shows our attention to the evolving needs of our growing communities and local customers," Kroger Central Division President Mike Goodwin said. "We work hard every day to offer the best stores and best possible shopping experience. Two essential principals will drive everything we do here – and at every Kroger store. We will provide the quality you trust and the value you love."

For Kroger, this store is distinctive because it is not replacing an older building. It is brand new, marking Kroger's recognition of the vibrance in Noblesville and Hamilton County. At approximately 120,000 square feet, the new store features a bright and colorful interior with an array of products that will be instantly popular: a Murray's Cheese shop, Starbucks, a store-made popcorn café, even an apparel department.



Photos provided by The Kroger Co.

Kroger Central Division executives presented donations to Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank Executive Director Suzanna Hobson (above left) and Prevail, Inc. Executive Director Tami Wanninger (above right). Other organizations receiving donations include the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, the Eskenazi Health Fresh for You Market, and Teacher's Treasures in Indianapolis.

The aisles are also different in this Marketplace store, wider than usual, making shopping even more comfortable.

Kroger's investment of nearly \$40 million in Noblesville created more than 300 jobs at the new store.

More stores are coming. Construction projects are underway now in Zionsville and Crawfordsville. Many existing stores will be remodeled to enhance the shopping experience of their customers. Combined, 2026 is a \$200 million year for Kroger construction engineers.

The ribbon-cutting also enabled Kroger to further its hunger relief commitment in central Indiana, continu-

ing its support of the Eskenazi Health Fresh for You Market, presenting \$75,000 for its operation. That donation was followed with contributions to provide meals at the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville and to Prevail, which serves victims of abuse and crime. Kroger then presented gift cards to support the educational services of Teacher's Treasures in Indianapolis. Altogether, Kroger's charitable contributions last Friday exceeded \$100,000.

The opening ceremony ended with a major food donation to Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank (HCHFB). Members of the Noblesville High School football team helped load

\$10,000 in high-demand products for struggling families in the area.

Finally, Congresswoman Victoria Spartz presented proclamations to Kroger leaders for their generosity and for their investment in this growing corridor of Hamilton County.

"We are incredibly grateful to Kroger for their generous donation of \$10,000 worth of food to Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank," HCHFB Executive Director Suzanna Hobson said. "This incredible support directly strengthens our mission to fight hunger within Hamilton County by providing healthy, nutritious food to our neighbors that are food insecure."

Westfield Youth Assistance Program announces third "The Double" Walk/Run

The REPORTER

Westfield Youth Assistance Program (WYAP) will hold its third annual Walk/Run event, "The Double," from 8 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, at Cool Creek Park and Nature Center, 2000 E. 151st St., Carmel.

Packet pickup runs from 8 to 8:30 a.m., with the actual walk/run beginning at 8:30 a.m.

"The Double" is a two-mile family-friendly walk/run, with the name referring to both the two-mile closed-loop course and the desire for WYAP to double its impact in Westfield. Overall, "The Double" aims to be a vibrant event that brings together residents of Hamilton County and Westfield to support WYAP. The event will host additional fun activities including a soccer rebound

tech board brought by proud partner and sponsor Sogility. "The Double" is expected to have more than 200 participants.

"The Double has become more than a race. It's an opportunity for our community to come together in support of local youth and families," said Dan Morrow, WYAP board member and event committee chair. "The event reflects WYAP's mission of strengthening families and helping young people succeed through mentoring, early intervention, and access to critical resources. The support generated through The Double helps make that work possible."

Registration is now open at tinyurl.com/TheDouble2026, with special early-bird pricing of \$30

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Veterans' stories will take you beyond the headlines on June 26

Submitted by
Tina Mangos

Local veteran organizations will hold an old-fashioned storytelling event to celebrate America's birthday and learn about our military history from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, June 26 at the Carmel American Legion Post 155, 852 W. Main St.

Hear personal stories (with PowerPoint and visuals) from five veterans who will share their experiences or those of family members, some going back to the Revolutionary War.

To name a few, stories include: women in the military since the '70s, changes in technology and communication, rescuing prisoners of war, various assignments in worldwide locations, using military training in civilian endeavors, and more.

Enjoy home-baked birthday cake, social engagement, and displays.

Westfield Mayor Scott Willis, who is a retired Marine Colonel, will share his illustrious U.S. Marine experience that spanned the globe. Carmel City Councilman Tony Green served over a decade as an active-duty pilot for the U.S. Air Force.

Some of the families' stories include: World War II cartography, prisoner of war in Korea, Vietnam, fighting with George Wash-

ington and Daniel Boone, being awarded "Kentucky Colonel" during the Civil War, and more ... stories you don't get in school.

Display tables will offer more visuals, such as letters written to a POW in Korea by then-Senator John F. Kennedy, Western Union telegrams a wife received as MIA notifications, a guitar that survived WW2 and was a connection to home, with which a meaningful song will be played by the storyteller.

The moderator, Kathryn Lerch, directs the Legacy Initiative Project at Park Tudor, is on the board of the WW2 Roundtable, has many publications on military history, and has received numerous awards for her historiography.

Collaborating on this event are:

- Carmel Mayor's Commission on Veteran Affairs
- Carmel VFW Post 10003
- Carmel American Legion Post 155
- Clay Township Military Museum and Library

It's a free event, but registration is required at tinamangosarts.com.

We have many heroes and sources of inspiration in our community, but one will never know unless you take the time and interest to hear their story.

Chuck Goodrich named next Indiana Secretary of Commerce

The REPORTER

On Thursday, June 18, Indiana Governor Mike Braun confirmed that Hamilton County businessman and former Noblesville State Representative Chuck Goodrich will be Indiana's next Secretary of Commerce.

The announcement comes following David Adams's plan to step down from the post on June 30, which is a cabinet-level position in state government.

"I'm proud to announce today that Chuck Goodrich will be picking up the torch as Secretary of Commerce to continue region-led growth to attract and grow great job opportunities and higher wages in Indiana," Gov. Braun said. "Chuck Goodrich is a business lead-

er who has spent his career signing the front side of a paycheck, and he will be a tremendous leader for our mission to make life more affordable for Hoosiers, grow jobs, and raise wages."

According to Goodrich, his experience as a leader in business, a three-term State Representative, and as a workforce development advocate in the construction industry, higher education, and state workforce policy equip him the right set of tools to lead the state's commerce offices and agencies.

"I'm grateful to Governor Braun for the oppor-



Goodrich

tunity to serve Hoosiers in this role," Goodrich said. "I've spent my career building a company in Indiana, hiring Hoosiers, and investing in the workforce that makes growth possible. Indiana is building, growing, and moving forward. Businesses already here will keep growing, and job creators across the country will see what we already know: a workforce and a business environment like nowhere else. Indiana is open for business."

Hamilton County Republican Party Chairman Mario Massillamany says the appointment is great news for

Indiana's job market.

"I think this is not only a great position for him," Massillamany said, "but also for the state in bringing jobs and job creation. It's also a great platform for him to get a higher profile so he can run for governor."

Goodrich currently serves as the CEO of Gaylor Electric, one of the largest merit-shop electrical firms in the country. Since becoming president of Gaylor Electric in 2014, the company has developed more than 4,000 jobs. He is past Chairman of National Associated Builders and Contractors, serves on Purdue's Construction Advisory Council, and is a member of Indiana's Region 5 Workforce Development Board.

Boone County approves one-year moratorium on new data centers

By GREGG MONTGOMERY
WISH-TV | wistv.com

The Boone County Board of Commissioners on Monday unanimously approved a one-year moratorium on new data center development in parts of the county outside city and town boundaries.

The ordinance, which

took effect on Tuesday and last through June 15, 2027, aims to provide county officials time to evaluate the potential impacts of such development and update planning and zoning regulations.

A news release from the county government said the moratorium temporarily halts the filing, process-

ing, review, and acceptance of applications for new data center facilities in the county's unincorporated areas. Officials hope the moratorium will allow them to study how data centers may affect land use, infrastructure, utilities, agriculture, and the county's rural character.

The Boone County

Area Plan Commission had earlier recommended the moratorium after discussions regarding the potential effects of data center development.

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Celebrate Sheridan's past & the people shaping its future

Submitted

Excitement is building in Sheridan ahead of America's 250th Independence Day.

The town's celebration will kick off with the annual Lions Club parade beginning at 10 a.m. on the 4th. Due to ongoing INDOT construction near Biddle Memorial Park, the parade will follow what many residents know as the traditional homecoming parade route, which runs along Main and 6th streets. Participants are encouraged to arrive at Sheridan High School starting at 9 a.m. for registration.

This year's theme, "Generations of Independence: Sheridan Through the Years," reflects the traditions, values, and community spirit that have shaped Sheridan for years. As a natural extension of the 2026 theme, Sheridan Events has introduced a new community tradition in the Sheridan Spark Award.

This award aims to recognize Sheridan locals whose leadership, mentorship, volunteerism, service, or community impact has helped make the community stronger. Neighbors are encouraged to nominate a Sheridan resident or business owner who exemplifies these qualities via the organization's website, sheridanevents.org/spark-award.

Organizers with Sheridan Events say they believe the town has many people who quietly make a difference every day, and the Spark Award was created in hopes of recognizing those individuals, celebrating the positive impact they have had, as well as encouraging a new generation of volun-

teers to get involved. Spark Award nominations will remain open until Friday, June 29, with the finalists announced Wednesday, July 1.

The town's Fourth of July celebration will begin at 4 p.m. at Sheridan High School and will feature a revival of the local favorite ping pong ball drop. Guests can expect three flyovers and many prizes ranging from gift certificates to private flight experiences.

The Park Avenue Band, taking the stage at 6 p.m., will bring music every age can enjoy. From Andrew's Sisters' swing to classic rock, the nine-piece ensemble will embody Sheridan's Generations of Independence theme.

Other activities will include: White River Wrestling, a thrilling kid zone with inflatables, mini-golf, and nostalgic contests, food, vendors, and more free family-friendly fun. The organization's Quiet Corner will also return as the committee remains dedicated to the effort to provide the Town of Sheridan community with accessible, inclusive, and affordable events throughout the year.

Before the fireworks show at 10:15 p.m., the inaugural Spark Award winner will be recognized and given the honor of 'sparkling' the Burgerhaus Productions fireworks show by pressing a mobile start button and igniting what is sure to be a memorable display set to music.

For full nomination guidelines, event updates, and a complete schedule of activities, visit SheridanEvents.org or follow Sheridan Events on Facebook.

Justin Moffett receives 2026 Rotary Outstanding Service Award

Submitted by Donna Gray
Rotary Club of Carmel

The Rotary Club of Carmel announces that Justin Moffett, Chief Executive Officer of Old Town Companies, has been selected as the recipient of the 2026 Rotary Outstanding Service Award (ROSA).

Established in 1988, the Rotary Outstanding Service Award is presented annually to a non-Rotarian who exemplifies the Rotary ideals of Service Above Self, high ethical standards, and a demonstrated commitment to strengthening the Carmel community through service and leadership.

"Justin Moffett's vision, leadership, and commitment to community development have visibly changed the face of Carmel and left a lasting impact on Carmel and Clay Township," Rotary Club of Carmel President Doug Willard said. "Through innovative projects, community partnerships, and a genuine commitment to improving the quality of life for residents of all ages and abilities, Justin exemplifies the values this award was created to recognize."

Moffett has played a significant role in shaping Carmel's growth and vibrancy through numerous community-centered initiatives, including:

- Transforming Carmel through the development of high-quality residential communities that support

the city's vision for growth while emphasizing walkability, architectural integrity, and neighborhood connectivity.

- Leading redevelopment efforts in Midtown Carmel, including the creation of Midtown Plaza, a destination gathering space that brings together residents, families, businesses, and visitors.

- Supporting Fields Market Garden, an innovative urban agriculture program that provides employment opportunities for adults with intellectual disabilities, leadership experiences for Carmel High School students, and locally grown flowers and produce for the community.

- Developing North End, one of Central Indiana's first fully integrated housing models, which includes approximately 40 apartment homes specifically designed for residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities within a mixed-income, mixed-use neighborhood.

- Serving as a long-time sponsor of the Carmel Farmers Market for the past 13 years, helping sustain one of the region's most successful community markets.

- Contributing to the preservation of Carmel's heritage through service on the Carmel Historic Preservation Commission.

Moffett was formally recognized during the Rotary Club of Carmel's luncheon meeting held Friday, June 5 at Woodland



Photo provided

Justin Moffett receives his Rotary Outstanding Service Award from Rotary Club of Carmel President Doug Willard.

Country Club. As part of the honor, his name will be permanently inscribed on the Rotary Outstanding Service Award plaque located at Rotary Plaza in Carmel. He will also be recognized by the community during the 2026 CarmelFest Fourth of July Parade.

"My life has been guided by the example of my parents, grandparents, and a multitude of elders in the community who have generously given their time and talent to the betterment of society," Moffett said. "I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to play a role in the dynamic growth of our city, and I thank the Rotary Club of Carmel for ac-

knowledging the efforts of the team I work alongside at Old Town through this award. Without the contributions of a passionate and committed team, none of the efforts for which I am being honored would have come to fruition."

The Rotary Club of Carmel has a long tradition of recognizing individuals whose leadership and service create meaningful and lasting improvements in the community. Past recipients have represented a diverse range of civic, business, educational, and nonprofit leadership, all united by a commitment to making Carmel a better place to live, work, and serve.

Celebrate America's 250th birthday with White River Wind Symphony's 'Sounds of America' concert

The REPORTER

The White River Wind Symphony will present its 10th annual Sounds of America concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, June 28 at Legacy Bible Church, 13490 Howe Road, Fishers.

This year's special theme, in celebration of the 250th birthday of the United States of America, will be a musical history of our nation through song and narration. This is a quality performance for only \$20

for adults, and children under 18 are free. Group discounts are also available for purchase at tinyurl.com/SoundsOfAmerica2026.

Featured soloist will be Julie Lyn Barber performing the "Sandy Patti" version of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and a trumpet trio – Keith Whitford, Rich Jeffries, and Darlies Jones – performing the premiere of a new arrangement of "God of Our Fathers" by

conductor Dr. Keith Kunda, written specifically for this concert. Also included in the concert will be the White River Symphony Chorale performing a 12-minute mini-musical titled What Price Freedom? accompanied by the wind symphony, which is the professional concert band in Fishers.

This special event will also include two narrators, plus Dr. Mike Linville reading important documents

from our nation's history.

Dr. Kunda, conductor, said, "This concert will be the culmination of three years of planning of content and personnel. Everyone will leave with a new appreciation for the gift we have been given to live in the United States of America."

Tickets are available at FishersMusicWorks.org or at the office of Legacy Bible Church, 13490 Howe Road, Fishers, on weekdays.

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per individual through June 30, when it will switch to \$35. Registering families can select "Multi-Person Pricing" to receive a discount on registrations for three to six people for \$70 with special early-bird pricing through June 30, when it will switch to \$80.

Proceeds from "The Double" will help support WYAP's services, includ-

ing mentoring, tutoring, mental health supports, camps, and other enrichment activities. WYAP has seen a drastic increase in need as Westfield has continued to expand rapidly. "The Double" is a great way to help continue to meet this growing need and is a phenomenal opportunity to connect with the community.

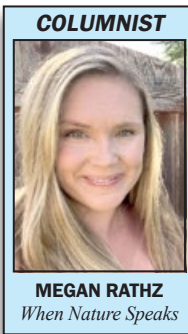
‘Forty-something’ husband

Love is an interesting thing. You often hear how hard it can be.

While scrolling through social media, I heard a divorce attorney say recently that if you are lucky enough to find someone that you actually love and end up marrying that you’ve hit the lottery. If you like the person after being married to them, that’s even more of a jackpot. He said for the people that are fortunate enough to have found their person and still enjoy their time with them more than when they aren’t around then that is something worth protecting.

I was fortunate enough to find my person. Tim is a ‘forty-something’ year-old that also has a column for The Reporter that you might be familiar with. If you are, you already know that the first thing that drew me to him was his sense of humor.

He is a bit older than me – about nine years. It rarely comes up, but every now and then we will reference what



COLUMNIST
MEGAN RATHZ
When Nature Speaks

we were doing when a specific event happened. I remember when we were talking about 9/11, I mentioned being in grade school and he was in college. We both just looked at each other and laughed. I also remember when we went to his high school reunion and everyone seemed old.

Tim is not someone who likes attention. He always shows up for people and makes everyone else a priority over himself. He is the funniest person I know. He makes me laugh every single day. Tim has never stopped dating me. He puts our marriage first and never lets anything get in the way of us. Tim makes a point to buy me flowers and connect. He makes an effort to take an interest in things that are important to me.

Tim is the best dad. His children are his life, and anyone who knows our kids knows what an amazing dad he is to both of them.

Nobody can cook quite like

my husband. Not only is it a huge luxury having someone who cooks well, he truly enjoys it. It’s a win/win because that means I don’t have to cook much myself!

On our first date, we had gone to dinner and as we walked back to the car, he asked if I wanted to go to Moe & Johnny’s for a drink and I was so excited because I really liked him and thought he must be having fun if he wanted to keep the date going. I remember our first kiss – it was a disaster! I thought he was going to kiss me goodnight and like a true gentleman, he thought I was giving him a hug. It was a mismatched hug/kiss that we still laugh about today.

As we celebrate 15 years together this September, I want to take this opportunity to tell him how much I love him and also if you haven’t checked out his column for The Reporter, you should! I’m biased, but he really is very funny. I remember when I first pitched the idea of him having a column to Stu, The Reporter Publisher, he was a bit hesitant and wanted an

idea of what he had to offer. It didn’t take long for him to read it and agree that he is funny and very talented.

I see the jokes online that being an adult is just deciding what to do with the pack of beef or chicken for the rest of your life. There is nobody else I would rather decide it with than him. If there is one thing I got right in my life, it’s the person I married. My only regret with him is the noise he makes when he chews pizza. I can’t handle it. Besides that, I love him very much.

“If you truly love someone, you love them twice. The first time, it’s all about attraction, their smile, voice, and presence. But slowly, the curtain lifts. You see their scars, insecurities, mood swings, trauma. It’s no longer perfect. It’s real. And if you can still love them, without filters, that’s the love of understanding. The kind that stays. The kind that grows.”

Megan Rathz is a wife, mother, and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.

S&P reaffirms Carmel’s ‘AA’ bond rating

The REPORTER

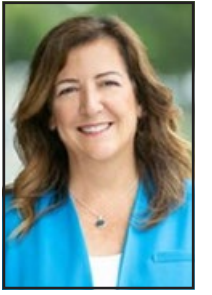
Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam announced on Wednesday, June 17, that S&P Global Ratings reaffirmed the city’s ‘AA’ rating.

In its assessment, S&P Global Ratings credited Carmel’s robust local economy, praising “the city’s economic strength, coupled with disciplined management.”

The affirmation from S&P is among the highest ratings currently given to any similarly sized city in the state.

“The rating illustrates our commitment to improving the overall financial health of Carmel,” Mayor Finkam said.

Notable companies with AA category bond ratings by S&P Global Ratings include tech and retail giants like Amazon and Nvidia, as well as Berkshire Hathaway.



Finkam

Megan Wiles honored as HCLA Distinguished Alumna

The REPORTER

Each year, Hamilton County Leadership Academy (HCLA) recognizes an HCLA alum for his or her commitment and service to HCLA and their impact in Hamilton County.

This year, HCLA announces Megan Wiles (HCLA Class of 2000, Class of 2025 Dean) as the 2026 HCLA Distinguished Alumni Award honoree.

Wiles is Vice President of Foundation and Community Affairs for Riverview Health. She has been raising funds to support programs and projects that benefit the patients, families, and staff at Riverview Health since March 2015.

In January 2024, she began her third term as a member of the Noblesville Common Council and has served both as President and Vice President of the Council several times.

With over 25 years of work in the not-for-profit sector, in both paid and volunteer positions, Wiles says she is passionate about working with others in making a difference in Hamilton County to help it continue to be the best place to live, work and raise a family in the State of Indiana. She currently serves on the Conner Prairie Board of Directors and was a member of the Richard G. Lugar Excellence in Public Service Series, Class of 2018-2019. She graduated from Noblesville High School and Ball State University.

HCLA recognized Wiles as the 2026 Distinguished Alumni Award honoree at its annual Leadership Summit on June 18.

Anyone who lives and/or works in Hamilton County is welcome to apply to HCLA. For more information, please visit hcla.net.



Wiles

A smile is the only requirement

Libraries are often known as places filled with books, knowledge, and quiet spaces where stories come alive. But every once in a while, they remind us that their true magic goes far beyond the shelves.

Last week, I had the joy of attending Foundation Night at the Stacks, hosted by the Hamilton East Public Library Foundation, an after-hours fundraising event designed entirely for adults, bringing together entertainment, creativity, connection, and community support in one unforgettable evening. Although this was the second year of hosting the event, it marked the first year the Library Foundation independently organized the fundraiser on its own, and it beautifully showcased what community spaces are truly meant to do: bring people together.

The evening was full of energy. Familiar faces were everywhere – friends, city leaders, community partners, Noblesville Schools representatives, volunteers, and residents who came together to support an institution that quietly supports all of us year-round.

As someone who never misses an opportunity to support our library in both big and small ways, I found myself fully immersed in experiencing everything the evening had to offer. One activity that unexpectedly stayed with me was creating impromptu bookmarks decorated with colorful stickers and meaningful one-line messages.

Surprisingly, that simple



COLUMNIST
POOJA THAKKAR
Taste of Community

craft became one of the most meaningful parts of the night.

As people sat nearby creating their own bookmarks, conversations naturally unfolded. I met so many incredible individuals sharing different phases of life they were navigating. What fascinated me most was watching people pause and carefully choose a single phrase that resonated deeply with them – words they felt described exactly what they needed in that season of life.

It reminded me how powerful small moments can be.

Sometimes, acknowledging someone doesn’t require solving their problems or offering perfect advice. Sometimes, it simply means giving someone a quiet moment where they feel seen, heard, and understood.

I may not know what someone is carrying. I may not be able to change what they are going through. But for that brief moment, while sharing something as simple as a bookmark, I could acknowledge them, cheer for them, and appreciate them for simply showing up.

Those bookmarks became more than paper and stickers.

They became quiet reminders that no matter what season of life we are in ... we keep going anyway.

Another unforgettable part of the evening was visiting the caricature artist. As he sketched my portrait, I asked him how amazing it was that such a simple form of art creates opportunities for people to connect – and all he really asks from them is a smile.



Photo provided

His response stopped me. “It sounds easy,” he said, “but smiling is not easy for so many people. People carry a lot, and sometimes a smile is the hardest thing they can offer.”

It was such an eye-opening reminder that not every day feels the same for everyone. What we often see as simple can sometimes require tremendous effort from someone going through difficult times.

Nearby, I met Kristen, the owner of Orangly, who was serving creative non-alcoholic beverages. She shared how her goal is helping people become great hosts – creating memorable experiences where family and friends gather, connect, and enjoy something everyone can share together.

I also discovered family board games like “Taco Cat Goat Cheese Pizza,” which had me laughing and stumbling over the words more times than I’d like to admit.

Maybe that was the beauty of the entire evening.

Couples holding hands. Friends laughing out loud.

Community members recognizing one another. People simply allowing themselves permission to have fun.

The feeling felt incredibly familiar.

It reminded me of growing up in India, where community was never something we scheduled on a calendar. Neighbors gathered without invitations, families lingered over conversations, children played while adults shared stories, and laughter often became the background music of everyday life. We didn’t always need a reason to come together – sometimes being present with one another was reason enough.

That evening reminded me that whether across miles or across cultures, the heart of every community remains the same.

Sometimes, all people are truly looking for is a place to belong ... and perhaps, a reason to smile.

Pooja Thakkar is working to build cultural connections. You can read her column each week in the pages of The Reporter.

Humbly Courageous is growing

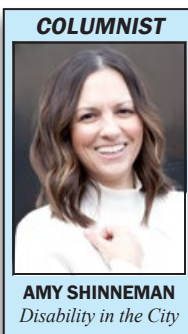
Many of you may know that my writing life started with my blog titled “Humbly Courageous” that I started back in 2019.

Before starting my blog, I did not have much of a connection to writing other than a personal journal. In high school and college, I enjoyed writing papers for English class, but that was about the extent of it.

I discovered a love for something new that I was not expecting. I love that at this stage of my life; I can still look forward to new endeavors that take me by surprise.

When I started Humbly Courageous, I never had any plans for it beyond the blog. Again, life took me by surprise when my husband and I started to discuss taking it further after it had become our marathon team name.

We discussed all the possibilities and ways that we could



COLUMNIST
AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

grow Humbly Courageous and turn it into a nonprofit that could be beneficial to people with disabilities.

Several months later, we officially got the paperwork for the Humbly Courageous Corporation.

We also started working on a website.

That part also took me by surprise. We worked along with our website designer for months designing the website to reflect the heart of Humbly Courageous. My husband spent many weekends and evenings trying to make sure it was exactly right. I learned a lot during that process.

On our new website, humblycourageous.org, you can access my blog, this column, my accessibility review series with Hamilton County Tourism, podcast interviews, information about each marathon we have run and even a team store. A one-stop shop for everything Humbly Courageous.

We have hopes of raising enough money to be able to give someone a duo bike, like an anonymous donor did for us many years ago. We will never forget that feeling when they gave our bike to us. We were overwhelmed that someone would be that generous. We knew that one day, we would pay it forward.

Our tagline for our website is “Real stories. Running together.”

Under the “What We Do” tab it reads, “we are a non-profit organization who encourage living life with humbly courage by sharing relatable stories that highlight everyday strengths and the challenges of life with a disability while seeking opportunities for growth.”

I speak on my own to various places, but one thing we would also like to do is more speaking engagements together. We had the opportunity last year to do our first speech together at CNO Financial. It was an amazing opportunity to

share our story with several of their Business Resource Groups titled “Running with Resilience and Embracing the Power of Interdependence.”

Last week, I spoke with employees at Kimball Solutions. It was a fantastic conversation with some thought-provoking questions. Some of the questions were ones that I had not heard before. It was a great discussion about disabilities.

Training for the Sydney Marathon in Sydney, Australia has started. We are heading there near the end of August and there is a combination of nerves and excitement. It is Humbly Courageous’s biggest adventure yet and will help us check off our fifth world major marathon.

If you are interested in following us on our journey to Australia and the months leading up to the marathon, you can check out my social media listed below. Each week, we do a

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Westfield Library Foundation holds Children’s Book Writing Contest

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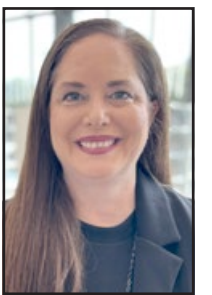
The Westfield Library Foundation (WLF) is sponsoring a Children’s Book Writing Contest in celebration of America’s 250th Birthday. This year’s theme, “America’s Birthday Adventure,” encourages writers to create a story about a child or teen who discovers a magical history book in the library and is transported on an unforgettable journey through American history.

“We are excited to see the creativity and imagination that this contest inspires,” WLF Executive Director Erin Downey said. “America’s 250th Birthday provides a unique opportunity for participants to explore history through storytelling while celebrating our nation’s past.”

The contest is open to Westfield residents in three age categories: Youth (5 to 12 years old), Teen (13 to 17 years old), and Adult (18 years and older). One winner will be selected from each category. The Youth Category winner will receive a \$100 cash prize, while the Teen and Adult Category winners will each receive a \$250 cash prize. Winning stories will be published and featured at a special book shelving ceremony at the Westfield Washington Public Library.

Entries should be no longer than 30 pages and can be submitted at the library’s front desk or by emailing edowney@wvpl.lib.in.us. The deadline for submissions is midnight on July 1, 2026, and winners will be announced on Aug. 1.

For more information or to submit an entry, please visit the Westfield Library Foundation website at westfieldlibrary-foundation.com.



Downey



Photo provided by Amy Shankland

Besties

If you've read my column for even a few months, you'll know how much my husband John and I love animals. Friends and family members have often compared us to "Ace Ventura" over the years. Just like Jim Carrey's character, animals seem to be drawn to us.

This may be why we're often dog sitting for people. Our own dogs, Sasha and Elli, get along well with other animals, so it's worked great.

Our latest visitor, Daisy, a delightful four-year-old Goldendoodle, is a seasoned guest in our home. However, she had never spent more than one day with Sasha, our young, energetic dog. We've often wondered if they'd play together during a longer stay. Well, last week we received our answer.

Cynthia, Greg, and their daughter Zoe dropped Daisy off on Friday evening, May 29 for a 10-day stay while they enjoyed a much-deserved vacation. Over the weekend, all three "girls" as we called them tentatively hung out together and got to know each other.

On Monday, June 1, however, it was like a light switch turned on. John and I watched, grinning, as Daisy and Sasha discovered the joy of playing and racing together through the backyard. It was "game on!"

Soon, our days began with the two of them wrestling upstairs, downstairs, and outside. We heard playful yipping, growling, and barking off and on throughout the day. And the evenings were even more interesting.

As John and I prepared for bed one night, we were startled to hear what we thought was a familiar early summer sound.

"Was that thunder?" John asked. We slowly looked up at our ceiling and realized, no, it wasn't thunder – it was the sound of two rambunctious dogs racing back and forth on the carpet upstairs. We chuckled.

As the week continued, Daisy and Sasha's friendship grew. Sasha, the Queen of Drive-By Kisses, would often lick Daisy's face. The two of them would sit together on the couch. When we took walks, Daisy would pull anxiously on the leash if she drifted too far behind Sasha.

The day finally arrived for Daisy to be picked up. My heart gave a little pang when Cynthia texted, saying they'd arrive to get her around 11:00 that morning. I knew Sasha would miss her new bestie.

John and I loved seeing the joyful reunion between Daisy, her mama, and Zoe. After they left, we watched Sasha carefully and tried to give her extra attention. She was a bit lost.

We'll bring Daisy and Sasha together often, as Cynthia and Greg are part of "Our Gang," our group of friends who meet at one of our houses once a month for dinner. And I'm sure Daisy will visit us again this fall during the holidays.

My animal-loving heart enjoyed seeing this new friendship and the happiness it gives these pups. We look forward to the "besties" reuniting later this year!

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video during our Sunday training run. We talk about disabilities, living with humble courage, and all the stuff in between.

Life often takes us by surprise. Sometimes in hard ways and sometimes in impactful and meaningful ways. I am glad to be able to share this meaningful opportunity with you.

If you would like to learn more, please visit our website at humblycourageous.org.

Until next time ...

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Religious difference does not replace a shared humanity

Recent comments by Indiana Lieutenant Governor Micah Beckwith about Islam have prompted me to speak up.

For more than 35 years, I have been involved in interfaith work in Indiana. During that time, I have shared meals with Muslims, visited mosques, worked together on community projects, stood together at public events, and developed friendships that have enriched my life and broadened my understanding of faith.

Because of those experiences, I struggle when I hear broad claims made about Islam that simply do not reflect the Muslims I know.

One of the recurring claims is that Muslims seek to impose Sharia law on America. Yet after decades of relationships with Muslim communities, I have never encountered Muslims in Indiana advocating for replacing the Constitution with religious law. The Muslims I know value religious freedom, democratic government, freedom of speech, and the right of every person to practice their faith according to their conscience.

Part of the confusion comes from the word "Sharia" itself.

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For many Muslims, Sharia is not primarily a political system. It is a spiritual and moral framework that guides personal conduct. It includes prayer, fasting, charitable giving, honesty in business, care for family, and compassion for neighbors. In that sense, it is not unlike the way observant Jews follow kosher practices or the way Christians seek to order their lives according to the teachings of Jesus.

It is also important to remember that the Muslim world is not monolithic. Not all Muslim-majority countries govern themselves according to strict interpretations of Islamic law. Countries such as Turkey, Albania, Kosovo, and Kazakhstan maintain largely secular legal systems. Like Christianity, Islam encompasses a wide range of beliefs, cultures, and interpretations.

Critics often point to extremists as evidence of what Islam teaches. But every religious tradition has individuals and groups who distort its teachings. Christians would not want their faith judged solely by the Crusades, the Inquisition, or acts of violence committed in the name of Christianity. Muslims deserve

the same fairness.

The Qur'an contains passages that many Americans would find deeply familiar in their concern for human dignity and peaceful coexistence.

"There shall be no compulsion in religion" (2:256).

"We created you from a male and a female and made you peoples and tribes that you may know one another" (49:13).

"Whoever saves one life, it is as if he has saved all humanity" (5:32).

These verses do not erase the complexity of Islamic history, any more than the Sermon on the Mount erases the complexity of Christian history. But they do remind us that Islam, like every major faith tradition, contains teachings that call people toward compassion, justice, mercy, and respect for others.

The Prophet Muhammad was both a spiritual leader and a community leader. That historical reality is often cited as proof that Islam is inherently political. Yet history is more complicated than slogans. What matters most is how people practice their faith today. The Muslim Americans I know are not seeking domination. They are seeking the same things most of us seek: meaningful work, safe communities, opportunities for their children, and the freedom to worship ac-

ording to their beliefs.

At a time when fear is often amplified and misunderstanding spreads quickly, we need fewer stereotypes and more relationships.

One of the great lessons I have learned through interfaith work is that it is difficult to fear people once you know them. Conversations replace assumptions. Friendships replace suspicion. Shared meals replace caricatures.

As Americans, we do not have to agree with one another's theology. We do not have to believe the same things. But we should strive to speak truthfully about one another.

Religious liberty is strongest when we defend it not only for ourselves, but also for our neighbors.

In the end, the question is not whether we agree about religion. The question is whether we are willing to see one another as fellow human beings, worthy of dignity, respect, and understanding.

That is not only an American value.

It is a deeply spiritual one as well.

Jerry Zehr of Carmel is a respected author, speaker, and retired minister with over 35 years of experience in pastoral leadership and interfaith initiatives.

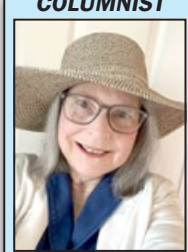
Hooray for Independence Day!

John Adams, one of the Founding Fathers, believed that the Fourth of July should be celebrated with "solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty" as well as "pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward and forevermore."

No doubt John Adams would have approved of the spectacle that is in store for us this 250th commemoration of the birthday of the United States of America! We are indebted to so many, past and present, for preserving our freedoms. And many of those have been – and are – on the "home front" supporting those in the military and government.

Abigail Adams, with her husband John away in Philadelphia, had the responsibility of caring for their children and working the farm. She is remembered in part because of the

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letters she wrote to her husband while he and the other Founders were shaping the new nation. Perhaps her most famous letter was written March 31, 1776, in which she wrote "I long to hear that you have declared an independency – and by the way in

the new Code of Laws which I suppose it will be necessary for you to make I desire you would Remember the Ladies, and be more generous and favourable to them than your ancestors."

"Remember the Ladies" Abigail Adams wrote.

It would take over a century for women to gain the right to vote in 1920 – but not ALL women were given the right to vote. It took Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation and the Civil War to give slaves their freedom, but we continue to struggle to establish, as our Pledge of Allegiance asserts, a country that is "indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

During the Civil War, the coun-

try was "divisible" divided with state against state, even family against family. However, that war resulted in the various states becoming the UNITED States of America.

"Civility" among citizens plays a major role in accomplishing this ideal: Being ONE nation. Interestingly, the words **civil**, **civility**, and **civic** all derive from the same Latin word for "citizen." Our democracy is strengthened when we are civil, and weakened when we are not.

In his Gettysburg Address dedicating the cemetery of the great battle, Abraham Lincoln honored the sacrifice of those buried there and included these words: "It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us ... that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain – that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom – and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

We also must be dedicated to preserving our nation. We

can choose to discuss the hard issues respectfully and problem-solve together.

Long ago as a graduate student, I celebrated the Fourth of July in England – a unique experience! Weeks later on a bus trip to Oxford, I saw an American flag flying. My immediate response was "Home!" The 19th century English novelist, Charles Dickens, commented that "in love of home, the love of country has its rise."

In the midst of our jubilant celebrations this Fourth of July, let us take time to reflect on our flag's meaning and rededicate ourselves to the task before us – being civil to each other so we can work together to preserve our nation. May the citizens of the UNITED States of America try to embody our country's ideals for at least another 250 years!

Nancy Kelly Smith is a retired English professor and published author. She is also an Ambassador for the national civility organization Civic Renaissance. Learn more at civic-renaissance.com.

Hamilton East Public Library seeks local business partners for library card sign-up month campaign

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Hamilton East Public Library (HEPL) is inviting local businesses to participate in its annual "Show Your Library Card & Save" campaign, a community-wide initiative that celebrates National Library Card Sign-Up Month while connecting residents with local businesses.

Taking place throughout September, the campaign encourages community members to sign up for a library card – or rediscover the one they already have – and visit participating businesses to redeem special of-

fers available exclusively to HEPL cardholders.

Now entering its third year, the campaign has proven to be a successful partnership between the library and local businesses.

"Library Card Sign-Up Month is an opportunity to celebrate one of the most valuable cards in your wallet while also supporting the businesses that help our community thrive,"



HEPL Director of Marketing and Communications Kelsey Sweet said. "We're excited to partner with local

businesses to encourage library use, strengthen community connections, and drive residents to explore what Hamilton County has to offer."

Businesses that participate create a special offer for library cardholders during September. In return, HEPL promotes par-

ticipating businesses through its website, social media channels, email newsletters, and other campaign materials. Offers can include discounts, free items with purchase, special promotions, or other incentives determined by the participating business.

Local businesses interested in participating can learn more and submit an offer at tinyurl.com/HEPLlibrarycard2026.

To be included in the digital Discover Guide, businesses should submit their offers by Aug. 10.

Tenderloin Tuesday returns for its biggest year yet

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Tenderloin Tuesday™ returns to Hamilton County from June 30 to July 28, featuring more participating restaurants than ever before. More than 60 local businesses will offer deals and discounts each Tuesday during the promotion, spanning a variety of establishments throughout Hamilton County's cities and towns.

"Tenderloin Tuesday has been a summer tradition in our community for 17 years and it just keeps getting better," Hamilton County Tourism Director of Marketing & Promotions Ashley Ledford said. "Each

year, we see more restaurants, more participants and more excitement around this campaign. Tenderloin Tuesday truly is a celebration of what makes Hamilton County such a great place to eat, explore and come back to."

Sun King Brewing has also joined the 2026 campaign as the Official Beer of Tenderloin Tuesday™.

"We're excited to partner with Hamilton County Tourism as the official beer of Tenderloin Tuesday," said Clay Robinson, Sun King Brewing co-founder and CEO. "Few things are more Indiana than a hand-breaded

pork tenderloin and a great local beer, making this partnership a natural fit for Sun King. It also gives us a fantastic opportunity to introduce more people to Premium Light Lager, our new easy-drinking, Indiana-brewed light beer, while supporting the local restaurants, bars and retailers that help make Hamilton County such a vibrant destination for food and drink."

Customers must have a smartphone to redeem the Tenderloin Tuesday™ offers at participating restaurants. You can go to TenderloinTuesday.com and enter your name and email address and a link to the

mobile passport will be texted to you. From there, the passport can be saved to a smartphone home screen or bookmarked for easy access. When visiting a participating restaurant, customers must present their phone to a staff member to redeem the available discount.

New this year, participants are eligible to receive a commemorative magnet after completing two restaurant check-ins. After four check-ins, participants become eligible to receive the commemorative T-shirt, while supplies last.

For more information, visit TenderloinTuesday.com.

Patricia Agnes (Dean) Frey
December 16, 1933 – May 28, 2026

Patricia Agnes (Dean) Frey, 92, passed peacefully into eternal life with Jesus Christ on May 28, 2026.



Born on December 16, 1933, in Washington, Pa., she was the youngest daughter of O.E. and Ellen (Schneck) Dean. She graduated from Immaculate Conception High School in Washington. Pat was always a wiz with numbers, so she took a clerk job with Household Finance Corporation after graduation. Soon, a handsome, All-American fraternity guy from Washington and Jefferson College caught her eye at a local dance. She told her friend that night she was going to marry him, and in 1957, Pat married William Frey and enjoyed 63 years of being a loving wife until Bill's passing in 2020. Pat's biggest source of pride and her greatest legacy were her five children, 18 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren and she was a beloved "Nana" to all.

While Pat was a dedicated mother, she also was business savvy with an entrepreneurial spirit. She enjoyed many jobs outside the home throughout the years, including doing taxes for H&R Block and becoming manager, creating "Patco," a real estate photography company, and spending many years hosting clients at her home as a sales consultant for Doncaster clothing. She loved to watch the stock market and had a knack (and a lucky streak as anyone who has played bingo, bridge, backgammon or attended a raffle with her knows) and her favorite claim to fame and subject of family lore besides her hole-in-one on Woodland's 16th hole was when she decided to buy Microsoft on its IPO back in 1986 for \$21 a share.

Pat enjoyed being a member of Woodland Country Club and made many long-time friends there in her golf leagues and nights with the "Friday Night Crazy's." Her bowling league created many more friends and great memories. In recent years, you could still see Pat and her impeccable French manicure at Woodland every Friday for bridge. Her friends were a constant source of support and laughter throughout the years and she cherished them dearly. She was also a devoted member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church for many years.

Her surviving children, Lynn (Charles) Lazzara, Bill (Kim) Frey, John Frey, Carolyn (Mike) Heymann, and Matt (Rachel) Frey; grandchildren, Kelle (John) Hennessee, Casey (Tommy) Jacobs, Michelle (Jimmy) Brown, Anthony (Kayla) Lazzara, William II (Kelley) Frey, Olivia Frey (Andrew Tritsch), Audrey (Tanner) Gilliland, Harley (Maddie) Frey, John Frey II, Nick Frey, Nate Frey, Lucy Frey, Max Heymann, Meghan Heymann, Jake Heymann, Broderick Frey, Anna Frey, and Adam Frey; and all of her 21 great-grandchildren will miss her terribly and look forward to seeing her once again in heaven.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Richard and Leonard Dean, sister Bernice (Bunny) Jungo, and husband William Frey.

Funeral services will be held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on Monday, June 29, with visitation at 10 a.m. until noon and Mass beginning at noon. Celebration of Life will occur from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Ritz Charles, 12156 N. Meridian St., Carmel.

In lieu of flowers, make donations to St. Matthew Merciful Help Center of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church and/or Center for Diabetes and Metabolic Diseases.

Leppert Mortuary – Carmel is assisting with arrangements. To share a memory, please visit leppertmortuary.com.

Michael R. Bloom

September 15, 1951 – June 10, 2026

Michael R. Bloom, 74, passed away on June 10, 2026, in Cicero.



Born on September 15, 1951, Michael (affectionally known as Big Mike or Papa) lived a remarkable life defined by intellect, determination, innovation, and, above all, devotion to his family. He graduated from St. Peter High School and went on to attend Gustavus Adolphus College, where he graduated summa cum laude with a degree in physics, finishing near the top of his class. His academic achievements earned him acceptance into medical school, but Mike chose to enlist in the Aviation Preflight Indoctrination program at the Naval Aviation Schools Command in Pensacola, Fla., during the Vietnam War to pursue his dream of becoming a fighter pilot. He trained as a military aviator until an honorable discharge due to a medical condition redirected his life's journey.

Mike's curiosity, ingenuity, and entrepreneurial spirit led him to a highly successful career as an entrepreneur and environmental engineer. He became nationally recognized for his pioneering work in centrifugal technology, earning respect throughout the country. His professional accomplishments reflected the same qualities that defined his personal life: intelligence, creativity, perseverance, and a willingness to tackle difficult challenges.

Mike's greatest accomplishment was not found in his career, but in the family he cherished. For 52 years, he shared a loving and devoted marriage with his beloved wife, Kathleen ("Kac") Bloom. Together they built a life centered on faith, family, laughter, and unwavering support for one another.

Mike was a proud father to Ryan Bloom of Cicero, Kevin Bloom and his wife, Nikki, of St. Peter, Minn., and Molly Beeson and her husband, Matt, of Cicero. He delighted in watching his children grow and create families of their own.

Nothing brought Mike greater joy than being "Papa." He leaves behind ten beloved grandchildren: Aiden and Henry; Fletcher, Huxley, Bourne, Rhodes, Bloom, Winslet, Astoria, and Viggo. He took immense pride in each of them and treasured every opportunity to spend time together, celebrate milestones, share stories, and create lasting memories.

Mike was also a lifelong fisherman whose happiest days were often spent fishing. Family and friends knew him as someone who could always find the fish, and fellow anglers regularly sought his advice and fishing tips. His love of fishing never faded. On the very day of his passing, Mike spent time doing what brought him joy most of all – fishing – and proudly caught four bass and three sunfish.

Mike will be remembered for his brilliant mind, entrepreneurial success, and countless professional achievements. Most importantly, he will be remembered as a husband, loving father, proud grandfather, trusted mentor, loyal friend, and a man whose life was measured not by what he accomplished, but by the people he loved.

Mike will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him. May his memory be a blessing and an inspiration to those whose lives he touched.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, June 28, 2026, at the Hamilton North Public Library, 209 W. Brinton St., Cicero. Condolences: hartleyfuneralhomes.com

Norma Pudleiner

May 17, 1949 – June 8, 2026

Norma Anne (Rucio) Pudleiner, 77, Westfield, passed away peacefully on Monday, June 8, 2026. She was born on May 17, 1949, in Fort Wayne, Ind., to Millard and Mary (Dennis) Rucio.



On September 1, 1973, Norma married Gene Pudleiner, and together they built a family rooted in faith, generosity, and devotion. Norma worked as a Certified Nurse and later at Esler's Auto Repair for more than 20 years, where she was known for her kindness, reliability, and genuine care for others.

A woman of deep Catholic faith, Norma was a devoted member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and lived her faith through service, always ready and willing to help anyone in need. She was also a member of Little Sisters of Sigma Pi.

Norma found joy in gardening, with evidence of the beautiful flowers around her home. She also enjoyed reading, cooking delicious meals, baking delightful desserts, rosary making, traveling with friends, and offering quiet acts of charity. She was a friend to all and had a gift for making others feel seen, welcomed, and loved.

In addition to her parents, Norma was preceded in death by her sister, Marilyn Rucio.

She is survived by her loving husband of 52 years, Gene; daughter, Gina Pudleiner; son, Michael (Amanda) Pudleiner; grandchildren, Anelysta and Nathaniel Pudleiner; and brother, John Rucio.

Family and friends gathered on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 14598 Oak Ridge Road, Carmel, where the Mass of Christian Burial followed.

In memory of Norma, donations may be made to the Women's Care Center or the Merciful Help Center. Envelopes will be available at the service.

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family with arrangements. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com

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Angela Marie Fenoglio

August 3, 1971 – June 12, 2026

Angela Marie Fenoglio, 54, Westfield, died Friday, June 12, 2026. She was born in Kokomo on August 3, 1971, to Marshall "Al" and Kathy Sue (Teter) Brown.



Angela was a strong worker, staying focused on her tasks as she worked with government contracts and financial details from her home office. She was an avid reader, enjoying multiple books each month, staying up to date with the most recent novels. Her friendships were important to Angela. She was always willing to attend movies at a moment's notice. Her best friend was her sister,

Beth with whom she had a strong bond. Angela's nephew Nate received a lot of attention and he loved the homemade "goodies" from her. She definitely enjoyed spoiling him as he grew up. She was a firm believer in God and her faith.

She is survived by her sister, Beth Brown of Frankfort, and her nephew, Nathaniel McGrath of Frankfort. Her parents and a sister, Shelly Brown, preceded her in death.

Visitation and funeral services were held Monday, June 22 at Young-Nichols Funeral Home, 216 W. Jefferson St., Tipton. Pastor Toph Elkins presided. Burial at Sharpville Cemetery will occur at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 681405, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

Online condolences for Angela's family may be left on her obituary page at young-nichols.com.

Sharon Hunter

June 21, 1971 – June 12, 2026

It is with deep sorrow and profound love that the family of Sharon Hunter announces her passing on June 12, 2026, just shy of her 55th birthday. Sharon was born on June 21, 1971, in the town of Mooresville, Ind., and throughout her life, she embodied the warmth and kindness of her small-town roots.



Sharon was the daughter of the late David Edward and Sandra Lee Brown, whose loving memories she carried with her always. She faced the heart-wrenching loss of her parents and beloved son, Andrew, with remarkable resilience and grace, demonstrating a strength and optimism that inspired all who knew her.

Sharon leaves behind her devoted husband of 13 years, Donald Hunter, her son, Tyler Lazzell, and seven grandchildren.

A true hombody at heart, Sharon found joy in the warmth and comfort of her surroundings. Her hands were rarely idle, as she busied herself with sewing, needlework, and various crafting projects that showcased her creativity and meticulous attention to detail. Sharon had a green thumb and spent many peaceful hours tending to her garden. She also relished her escapes to tropical locales, where she marveled at the vibrant beauty of the world, always returning home with tales of her adventures.

Sharon's personality was a beacon of positivity and open-heartedness. Despite the challenges life presented, she maintained an unwavering belief in the goodness of people, always choosing to see the best in those around her. Her genuine compassion and ability to spread joy made her a beloved friend to many, and her legacy of love will continue to touch lives far and wide.

The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the staff at IU Fishers Hospital for their compassionate care and support during Sharon's final days. Their kindness and dedication brought comfort and solace to Sharon and her loved ones in a time of need.

Sharon's life was a testament to the power of love, resilience, and kindness. She will be deeply missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her. As we celebrate her life, we hold her memory close, finding comfort in the love she gave so freely and the indelible mark she left on our hearts.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Judith Lynn Morgan

September 3, 1964 – June 13, 2026

Judith Lynn Morgan, known lovingly as Judy, was born in Noblesville, on September 3, 1964, and passed away on June 13, 2026. A compassionate, creative, and dedicated woman, Judith's spirited personality and warm heart left a lasting impact on the lives of all who knew her. She married the love of her life, Mark Morgan, on her 19th birthday in 1983, and from then on, they built a life filled with joy, love, and family in Elwood, Ind.

Judy was a homemaker whose creativity shone through her love of decorating, always ensuring the house was adorned for holidays and family gatherings. She loved preparing meals for everyone, as well as entertaining. She cherished being outside and seeing the beauty of the flowers around her. Her love for family also extended into her hobbies, which included camping with Mark and planning the yearly family vacation, usually to a beach. Her love of family was most evident in the joy she took in spending time with her grandkids.

Judy was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and aunt. She is survived by her husband, Mark Morgan; her daughter, Cassidy (Alexander) Mims; her son, Jordan Morgan; her son-in-law, Alexander (Cassidy) Mims; her granddaughters, Stella Mims and Keiran Morgan; her grandsons, Seylore Mims and Silas Morgan; and her nieces, Allison Irion and Katie Irion. She is preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Bonnie Kerby; and her siblings, Jackie Kerby and Kris Kerby.

Visitation for Judy took place Thursday, June 18, 2026, at Hartley-Dunnichay Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. The funeral service followed later that same day. Services were under the direction of Hartley-Dunnichay Funeral Homes. In memory of Judy, contributions can be made to the Kidney Foundation.

Judy's life was a testament to her compassionate nature, creative spirit, and dedicated love for her family. We invite you to share your memories of Judy, upload photos, and celebrate her life on her memorial page. Her legacy of love and dedication will live on in the hearts of those she touched.

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Jerry Dean Houck

February 23, 1943 – June 10, 2026

Jerry Dean Houck, born February 23, 1943, in Mount Vernon, Ohio, and a resident of Noblesville, Ohio, passed away on June 10, 2026. Jerry resided much of his life in Ohio, Indiana, and Texas. Jerry was a smart, reliable, and dedicated man who loved his family and was known for his loyal nature.



Jerry was married to his loving wife, Sally, on June 15, 1967. Together, they raised two sons, Karl (Jeanne) and Kurt, who remember their father as a pillar of strength and wisdom. Jerry was also a proud grandfather to Chance, Jack, and Jason. His love for his family was evident in the way he dedicated his time to them. His brother, Larry (Esther), and several nephews and nieces also survive him.

Jerry was preceded in death by his father, Leo Houck, mother, Lucille Houck, and sister, Beverly Spitzer.

Jerry retired as a businessman from GTE/Verizon in addition to teaching school for several years. Jerry was a graduate of Ohio University. Outside of his career, Jerry had diverse interests, including a love of the outdoors, especially fishing in Canada and Florida (where he and Sally spent many winters). He was also a keen follower and investor of the stock market, enjoyed photography, was an aviation enthusiast, and enjoyed writing and poetry. He was a varsity basketball player in high school (Northridge) and an avid fan of college basketball and would eagerly await the March Madness games each year. Jerry also enjoyed traveling across the U.S., Canada, as well as Europe and Asia.

Jerry's life was a testimony to his dedication, loyalty, and love for his family. He was a member of the Croton Church of Christ in Croton, Ohio, and former member of the White River Christian Church of Noblesville. Jerry's life was well-lived, and his legacy will continue to live on in the hearts of his loved ones.

A visitation will be held from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 27 at Croton Church of Christ, 40 S. Main St., Croton, Ohio. Immediately following the visitation will be a memorial service, with food being served at the conclusion of the service. We invite you to leave your precious memories of Jerry and upload photos to his memorial page. Services are under the direction of Hartley-Dunnichay Funeral Homes in Cicero.

Donations may be made to the Croton Church of Christ or a charity of your choosing. Your shared memories will serve as a comfort to his family and friends, as we remember the remarkable life of Jerry Houck. Condolences: hartleyfuneralhomes.com

Dustin Lee Mehringer

October 31, 1981 – June 14, 2026

Dustin Lee Mehringer, 44, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, June 14, 2026, at his home. He was born on October 31, 1981, in Jasper, Ind.



Dustin was a graduate from Purdue University in Industrial Engineering and then attained his MBA at Butler University. He was a Global Product Planner for many years at Roche. He was a member of College Park Church. His relationship with God guided his life and gave him strength through every season. Dustin started a non-profit called "Do Some Good For Others" and started a group for widows and widowers called "Meet Up For Coffee." His compassion touched many lives in different ways. He had a passion for cycling and found joy in riding. He also loved playing games, and enjoyed friendly competition. Dustin loved spending time with friends and family.

He is survived by his mother, Anne Mehringer; children, Malloy, Spencer, and Elliott Mehringer; sisters, Anden (Antonio) White and Erika (CJ) Boeckman; nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dennis "Bucket" Mehringer; brother, Luke Mehringer; wife, Karin Mehringer; and first wife, Allison Mehringer.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at College Park Church, 2606 W. 96th St., Indianapolis. Services will be held at noon. Burial will be at Hamilton Memorial Park Cemetery in Westfield at 2:45 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Do Some Good for Others Inc. Please make checks payable to: Do Some Good for Others Inc. Donations can be sent to: Gabriel Goncalves, Attn: Do Some Good for Others, 9028 Telford Dr, Fishers, IN 46037. Condolences: randallroberts.com

Peter R. Mariani

November 2, 1929 – June 11, 2026

Peter R. Mariani died peacefully on June 11, 2026, at Indiana University Health North Hospital in Carmel. He was 96 years old.



Pete was born in Chicago, Ill., on November 2, 1929. He was the youngest of three children born to Italian American parents, Vincenzo "James" Mariani & Virginia (Falco) Mariani. His brother, Donald, sister-in-law, Jeannette, and sister, Celeste, preceded him in death.

An interesting anecdote, his parents never agreed on a name, his mother preferring "Robert" or "Bud," while he was always "Peter" to his father and in official records. While most of his friends called him "Pete," to his Chicago friends, siblings and their families he was always "Buddy."

Pete attended St. Angela's Catholic School in Chicago, Ill., and often reflected with pride on the love and strict discipline of the ruler delivered by the sisters in the 1930s. He then attended Quigley Preparatory Seminary in Chicago for high school. In 1952 he received his bachelor's degree from St. Mary's in Mundelein, Ill.

Born at the beginning of the Great Depression and coming of age during World War II, Pete had many colorful stories about growing up in Chicago. He recalled with pride accompanying his father to his job as a produce broker on the Chicago waterfront, his own job as an usher at Wrigley Field for Bears games and helping pour the original concrete runways at O'Hare Airport. His favorite story was how he and his best friend, Fran Moroney, were paid to drive a car one-way to Los Angeles. They took a week and visited Yosemite and other parts of the American West. After arriving in Los Angeles and pocketing their hard-earned wages, they did not want to pay for a return, so they decided to hitchhike from Los Angeles to Chicago. His mother was furious, but he had a lifetime of stories from the journey.

In 1955, Pete was extended an invitation to join the United States Army. He was honorably discharged from the Army Medical Corps. in 1957, having served at Fort Ord, Calif.; Fort Riley, Kan.; and in his hometown of Chicago. After the Army, Pete enrolled at Northwestern University and earned a master's degree in Hospital Administration in 1959.

As part of his Northwestern master's program, Pete accepted a one-year residency at Community Hospital in Indianapolis in 1958, intending to return to Chicago at its conclusion. However, a job opportunity with Community Hospital and, more importantly, a burgeoning love interest kept him in the Indianapolis area for the rest of his life.

Pete met Rita Stuckey on a train ride to a Notre Dame football game in the fall of 1958. They were married on February 16, 1963, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church on Indianapolis' east side. Nine months after being married, they welcomed their son, Peter (Stacy), followed soon thereafter by Nancy (Mark Ferrara), Paul (Laurie) and Thomas (Myra).

In 1965, Pete and Rita moved to Noblesville, Ind., when Pete became the administrator of Riverview Hospital. During his tenure at Riverview, the North Wing was planned and constructed; the full-time Emergency Physician Program and Paramedic Services were initiated; many diagnostic and therapeutic services were also initiated, including, coronary-intensive care, nuclear medicine, electrocardiology and fetal monitoring. The Hospital Auxiliary and Hospital Foundation were also formed and developed. Riverview Hospital received its first recognition from the Joint Commission on Accreditation during his tenure. He was a life fellow of The American College of Healthcare Executives.

After leaving Riverview Hospital, Pete assisted in opening the Humana Women's Hospital in 1983, serving as the Associate Executive Director of the hospital. He completed his career as Vice President of Methodist Hospital of Indianapolis with responsibilities for Professional Services and the Cancer Center.

His professional and community activities included: Indiana Hospital Association, Central Indiana Health Service Agency (President 1978), Blue Cross Indiana Rate Review Commission, State of Indiana Hospital Licensing Council, Noblesville Chamber of Commerce (President 1969-1970), Noblesville Boys & Girls Club (President 1977-1978) and Chairman of Hamilton County United Way (1972).

During retirement Pete volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, St. Vincent de Paul and the food pantry at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Naples, Fla., and for Agape Therapeutic Riding Academy in Cicero.

Pete and Rita's four children and their spouses blessed them with 12 grandchildren: Hannah (Taylor) Mathews, SarahGrace Mariani, and Julia Mariani; Emily (Luke) Wehner, Allison (Ben) Carter, and Maria Ferrara; Gianluca Mariani and Mia Francesca Mariani; Joseph Mariani, Thomas Mariani, Celeste Mariani and Marco Mariani. He also had eight great-grandchildren: Skylar, Wes, and Cash Mathews; Rigsby, Francesca, and Penelope Wehner; and Charlotte and Lucy Carter.

Nothing gave Pete more joy than being "Papa" to his grandchildren – attending theater performances, volleyball, football, and baseball games, cross country meets, CYO kickball games and horse shows. Having made their family home on Morse Reservoir, Pete welcomed everyone for lake time. He always had omelets and pancakes waiting for your arrival and was ready at any time to bait a hook or pull a tube around the lake.

Visitation took place Friday, June 19 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville.

A Funeral Mass was held Saturday, June 20 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5692 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to the Noblesville Boys & Girls Club (bgnci.org) and Agape Therapeutic Riding Academy in Cicero (agaperiding.org).

The Mariani family would like to thank the community of caregivers at Woodland Terrace Carmel who blessed Pete with their friendship and loving care in his final days.

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Baseball

Golden Eagles power to state championship

Ratcliff ties RBI record, Troxell strikes out 12 in Class 3A title matchup

By **RICHIE HALL**
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INDIANAPOLIS — Preparation scored a victory over nerves for the Guerin Catholic baseball team on Friday, June 19.

The Golden Eagles went into their first-ever appearance in the IHSAA state finals poised, prepared and ready to hit against Andrian in the Class 3A state championship game at Victory Field. It all paid off as Guerin Catholic powered to a 9-3 win over the 59ers to win the school's first-ever baseball state title.

The best example of the Golden Eagles' preparation was how they dealt with Andrian's talented left-handed pitchers. Coach Dave Schrage said the team "worked hard all week on left-handed pitching." The team set up a ball machine to deliver left-handed throws, and brought in coaches and even a team dad to throw left-handed.

The result: Guerin Catholic jumped out to an early lead and never looked back.

"They were really poised and we were ready to go," said Schrage. "We weren't intimidated by the moment, we weren't too anxious."

Guerin Catholic scored three runs in the top of the first inning. The Golden

Eagles loaded the bases, then got their first run when Nolan Ratcliff went home on Karson Smith's RBI fielder's choice.

Ben Canada ran home after a wild pitch for the second run. Grant Beard came up next and smacked a triple to send in Smith.

The Golden Eagles went on to score runs in each of the first four innings. That included two runs in the second inning: Ratcliff got home on another wild pitch and Canada scored after Ian Taylor hit a sacrifice fly. Canada had gotten on base with a double.

Jack Stoner made the score 6-0 after he was brought home in the third inning when Ratcliff was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded.

The 59ers got on the board in the bottom of the third when Chase Nelson singled in Paxton Lukac. But Guerin Catholic slammed the door in the top of the fourth: The Golden Eagles loaded the bases once more, after which Ratcliff cracked a three-RBI double into left field.

Smith, Tate Troxell and Liam Zorger all scored, giving GC a 9-1 lead. With that, Ratcliff totaled four RBIs during the game, tying the record for most runs batted in during a 3A championship game. Ratcliff and Canada both had two hits.



Photos by Joshua Herd

(ABOVE) The Guerin Catholic baseball team won the Class 3A state championship game on Friday, June 19. The Golden Eagles got off to an early lead and rode that to a 9-3 victory over Andrian. (BELOW) Luke Gremelspacher won the Mental Attitude Award after the conclusion of the game.

While Guerin Catholic's offense was delivering, Troxell was doing the same on the mound. He pitched six innings, striking out 12 and allowing only four hits. Troxell finished his season with a perfect 9-0 record.

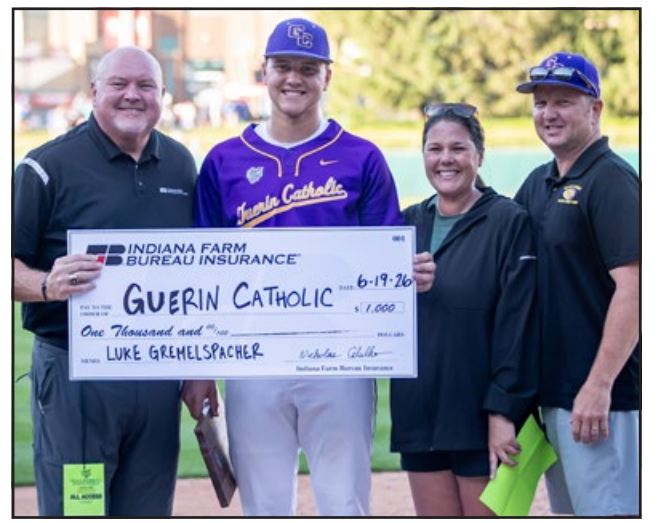
Luke Gremelspacher and Harrison Haq both pitched one strikeout in the seventh inning. The 59ers made things tense by scoring two runs in the ninth, but Haq's strikeout was the one that finished the game

and sent the Golden Eagles into celebration mode.

Gremelspacher also provided a highlight when he made an unassisted double play at first base in the third inning. He would go on to win the Mental Attitude Award at the conclusion of the game.

"It means a lot, man," said Gremelspacher. "These are my brothers and I just love and support them."

The Golden Eagles finished their season 28-3-1.



Boys Golf

Rocks triumph at rainy state meet

Westfield holds off Center Grove; Kutchma claims individual title

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL — Once the formalities of the medal ceremonies were finished at the IHSAA boys golf state finals on Wednesday, June 17 at Prairie View Golf Club, the state champion Westfield team jumped into the pond located near the ninth green.

The Shamrocks were wet already, since the last holes of the state meet were played in the rain. But Westfield persevered through the rain and tough competition to defend its state title.

The Rocks held off Center Grove by one stroke, 592 to 593, to secure not only back-to-back state championships, but also their fifth in program history. Guerin Catholic was in the mix as well and placed a close third with 596.

In addition, Hudson Kutchma won medalist honors for Westfield, beating the Golden Eagles' Eli Wessel in a two-hole playoff. The Shamrocks' Will Harvey (who was there cheering on his alma mater), was the medalist last year. This marks only the third time in tournament history where a team defended both team and individual titles: Shortridge did so in 1949 and 1950, while Anderson had back-to-back sweeps in 1952 and 1953.

"We started off hot," said Westfield coach Josh Bryant. "You could see it on the bus, the confidence.

A lot of those guys had done the same thing the year before."

Three Shamrocks were also players on last year's state team: Kutchma, Mitchell Keene and Ryan Cesare. Junior Brayden Worthington played on Westfield's state runner-up team his freshman year.

"No question, those guys leaned on the experience," said Bryant.

"Our team chemistry is amazing," said Kutchma. "Our seniors just really take care of everybody and teach all the underclassmen what to do."

Kutchma and Cesare delivered on the 18th hole. Playing No. 2 for the Shamrocks, Kutchma made the edge of the green on the par-five 18th in two strokes. He sent a long putt near the hole, then drained a birdie that pushed Westfield ahead, followed by a fist pump.

"I told myself to just two-putt, just to make birdie, and that's pretty much it," said Kutchma.

"We thought we were down one," said Bryant. "We may have been even. It's hard to say on the leaderboard, but we thought we were down one and we told Huddy, 'You've got a good number, go for it.' He gets a beautiful shot, ends up swinging the leaderboard our way."

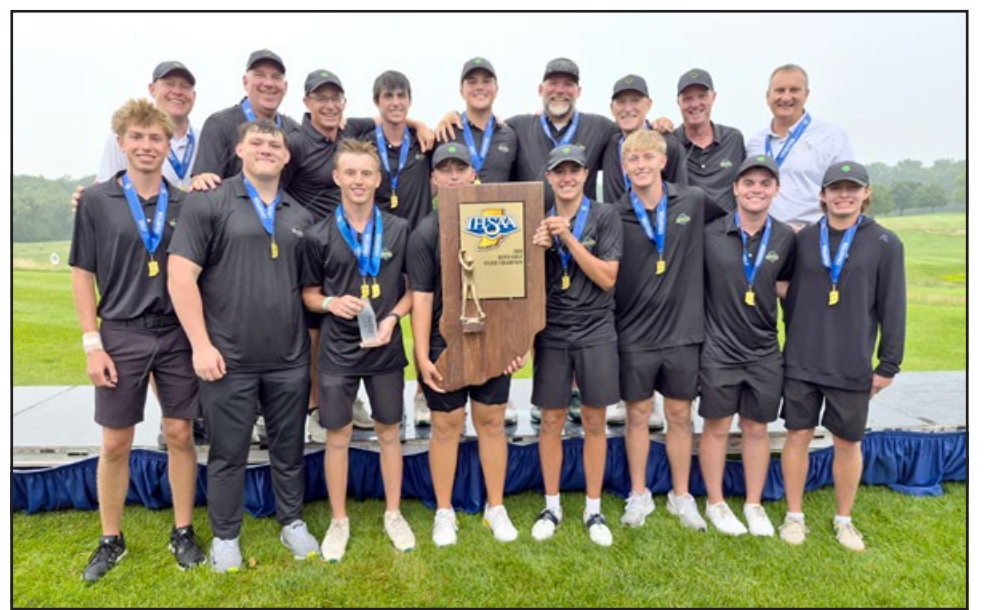
Cesare finished things off with a par that kept the Shamrocks in front, and Westfield's first celebration was on. It was back to

business minutes later, as Kutchma and Wessel were off to the first tee to begin the individual playoff.

Kutchma bested Wessel on the second green, which was getting so wet that workers had to clear away ponds of water just to make the green playable. But Kutchma took it in stride, saying the experience was like "going out there, having fun with friends and playing in the rain."

Kutchma scored 74 during his second round, making three birdies in the second round, including the big one on the 18th hole. Worthington scored 74, including three birdies.

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The Westfield boys golf team defended its state championship Wednesday, June 17 at Prairie View Golf Club. The Shamrocks edged out Center Grove by one stroke, 592-593. Westfield's Hudson Kutchma won individual honors in a playoff.

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Boys Golf

County teams all finish strong

GC reaches podium, Royals take 5th, Millers finish 6th

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL — As usual, Hamilton County teams had a major presence at the IHSAA boys golf state finals last week at Prairie View Golf Club.

All four local qualifying teams finished in the top six, with Westfield defending its state championship (see related story). One of the Shamrocks' fellow county teams gave them a run: Guerin Catholic placed third with a score of 596, just four strokes away from the top.

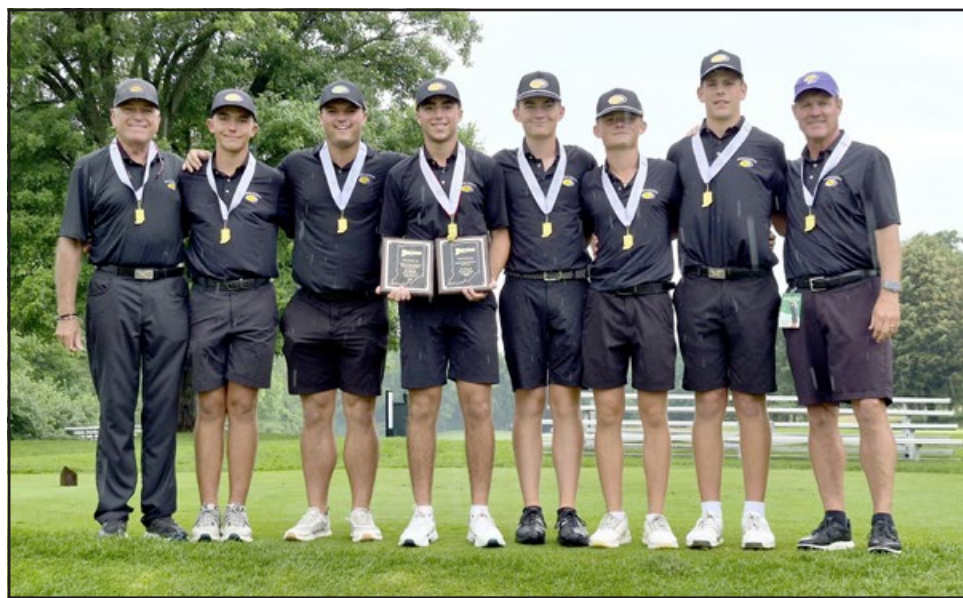
The Golden Eagles were led by senior Eli Wessel, who was the low man for the second round. Wessel scored a three-under par 69, which elevated him to a tie with Westfield's Hudson Kutchma for the overall lowest score.

Both men totaled 142 for their two-day score, so a playoff was needed to determine the individual champion. Kutchma won the playoff in two holes, so Wessel finished second. But he was pleased with the day, considering how much ground he had to make up just to get into that position.

"I was five back going into today. At one point, I was seven back," said Wessel. While things didn't go the way he wanted on the 18th hole and in the playoff, Wessel called the day a "great experience."

"Super proud of the way I played today and extremely proud of the boys for battling," said Wessel. He finished the day with six birdies and was named to the All-State team.

Junior Brady Wagner made one birdie during his second-day round of 77, as did junior Andrew



Guerin Catholic's team finished in third place Wednesday, June 17 at Prairie View Golf Club. Eli Wessel finished as individual runner-up.

Williamson, who scored 74 in the second round. Two freshmen were also in the GC lineup: Myles Ray totaled 75 and Cooper Howard scored 78, including an eagle on the third hole. Ray also drained two birdies.

"It was a great tournament today," said Guerin Catholic coach Mark Mathews. "We didn't play as well as we should have yesterday and we came really close to winning this thing, so we're good about it."

Royals take fifth
Castle finished fourth with a two-day score of 600. Hamilton Southeastern was next, as the Royals totaled 608 to place fifth.

Senior Mattingly Upchurch finished with a Wednesday score of 74, making two birdies along the way. Junior Dane Starnes scored 75 on Wednesday with one birdie to his credit. Both players were named to the All-State team.

Freshman Zach Kinzer carded 76, as did junior Brody Colburn, who made three birdies. Senior Blake

Babb scored 84, including one birdie.

Marucci leads Millers
Senior Tyler Marucci was Noblesville's leader, finishing tied for fifth individually with a two-day total of 145.

Marucci finished with a 73 for his second round, making one birdie along the way. He was named to the All-State team.

"It was a battle out there," said Marucci. "I played well on the front nine, got 34, and then stalled out in the back nine, but the back nine played pretty tough today. But one of my goals this year was to get All-State, which I did, so I'm pretty proud of myself for that."

The Millers scored 610 to place sixth as a team. Jackson Mahan scored 75 for his second round, draining an eagle on the 13th hole in addition to making two birdies.

Freshman JT Kelley totaled 80, draining four birdies. Sophomore Luke Decker also scored 80, making one birdie, while senior Dustin Turpin totaled 82.

Team scores: Westfield 295-297=592, Center Grove 291-302=593, Guerin Catholic 301-295=596, Castle 297-303=600, Hamilton Southeastern 307-301=608, Noblesville 302-308=610, Homestead 311-301=612, Pendleton Heights 303-311=614, Brownsburg 327-300=627, Trinity Academy at Greenlawn 321-309=630, Bloomington South 318-314=632, Franklin Community 322-310=632, Elkhart 316-317=633, Warsaw 313-327=640, Plymouth 326-321=647, Floyd Central 338-318=656, South Bend St. Joseph 327-330=657, Evansville Memorial 347-324=671.

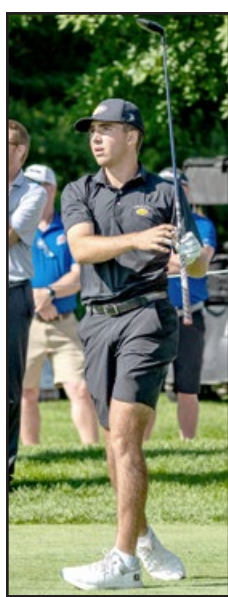
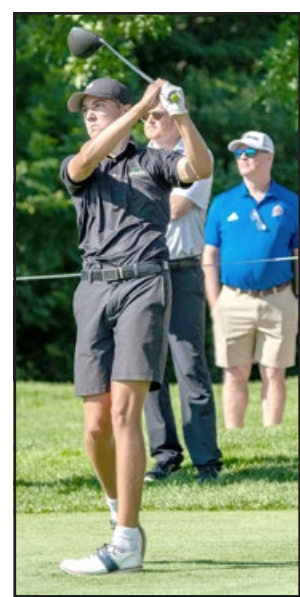
Top 10 individuals: 1. Hudson Kutchma, Westfield 68-74=142, won in playoff, 2. Eli Wessel, Guerin Catholic 73-69=142, 3. Alexander Cook, Castle 68-75=143, 4. Drew Carlson, Center Grove 68-76=144, T5. Tyler Marucci, Noblesville 72-73=145; Caden Baker, Homestead 73-72=145; Max Steiner, Zionsville 74-71=145; Johnny Leaman, Cathedral 73-72=145, T9. Colton Watson, Bloomington South 71-75=146; Nathan Springer, Center Grove 74-72=146.

Other Westfield scores: Brayden Worthington 75-74=149, Ryan Cesare 74-76=150, Mitchell Keene 78-73=151, Keaton Knott 81-79=160.

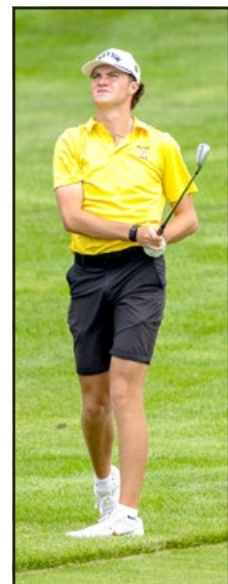
Other Guerin Catholic scores: Brady Wagner 73-77=150, Myles Ray 76-75=151, Andrew Williamson 80-74=154, Cooper Howard 79-78=157.

Southeastern scores: Mattingly Upchurch 75-74=159, Zach Kinzer 74-76=150, Brody Colburn 79-76=155, Dane Starnes 81-75=156, Blake Babb 79-84=163.

Other Noblesville scores: Jackson Mahan 74-75=149, JT Kelley 76-80=156, Dustin Turpin 80-82=162, Luke Decker 80 (second day), Vaughn Twilla 81 (first day).



Reporter photos by Julie Brown
(ABOVE LEFT) Westfield's Hudson Kutchma won individual medalist honors, was named to the All-State team and made a crucial birdie on the 18th hole that helped the Shamrocks clinch the team championship. **(ABOVE CENTER)** Westfield's Ryan Cesare made par on the 18th hole to seal the Shamrocks' state win. He was named to the All-State team. **(ABOVE RIGHT)** Guerin Catholic's Eli Wessel was the individual runner-up and helped the Golden Eagles finish third. He was named to the All-State team.



Reporter photos by Julie Brown
Hamilton Southeastern's Dane Starnes (above left) and Mattingly Upchurch (above center) were named to the All-State team. (ABOVE RIGHT) Noblesville's Tyler Marucci tied for fifth individually and was named to the All-State team.

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Cesare made one birdie on his way to a second-round score of 76. Both he and Kutchma were named to the All-State team at the conclusion of the meet.

Keene scored 73 on the second day, improving five strokes from the first day. Keene drained five birdies during the second round. Sophomore Keaton Knott

totalled 79, making three second-round birdies.

Westfield finished in the top two at state for the fifth consecutive year and for the ninth time since 2013.

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Congratulations on a great season!

Shamrocks second after Day 1, Kutchma shares individual lead

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL — The Westfield boys golf team was a happy bunch after the first day of the IHSAA state finals finished up on Tuesday, June 16.

The defending state champion Shamrocks had reasons to be happy. Westfield finished the first round with a score of 295, only four strokes behind leader Center Grove's 291.

"You just want to give yourself a chance on the second day," said Westfield coach Josh Bryant. He credited his team with playing well through the "90 minutes of really tough weather" that spun up in the afternoon while the Shamrocks were on the back nine.

"They just battled the whole time," said Bryant. "We were on that tough stretch at 13, 14, 15, 16 when it blew in and we played those holes really well when you look at the scorecard."

In addition, a Westfield golfer has a share of the individual lead. Hudson Kutchma is one of three players on top of the leaderboard. The senior scored a four-under par 68 on Tuesday, placing him in a tie with Center Grove sophomore Drew

Carlson and Castle freshman Alexander Cook.

Kutchma began his round with three consecutive birdies and totaled six birdies overall in his round.

"He's had an incredible season," said Bryant. "He's been a winner all season. He's been in the top three dang near three-fourths of our events and it does not surprise me that he's playing well."

Senior Ryan Cesare made two birdies during his round of 74, while junior Brayden Worthington scored 75, including one birdie. Senior Mitchell Keene totaled 78 with two birdies and sophomore Keaton Knott made one birdie during his round of 81.

The Rocks and Center Grove will be in the final group of today's second round, along with Castle and Guerin Catholic. The Knights are currently in third place with 297, while the Golden Eagles are fourth with 301.

Junior Brady Wagner and senior Eli Wessel both scored 73, which makes them part of a six-way tie for seventh place. Wessel made four birdies and Wagner made one.

Freshman Myles Ray scored 76, including one

birdie. Another freshman, Cooper Howard, scored 79, including two birdies and junior Andrew Williamson totaled 81, making one birdie.

"We didn't play very well," said GC coach Mark Mathews. "We can play better than that. We'll organize and then start again tomorrow."

Noblesville is in fifth place with a score of 302. Senior Tyler Marucci is tied for fifth place with an even-par 72, a score that includes an eagle on hole No. 3. Marucci also made three birdies.

Senior Jackson Mahan scored 74, including one birdie. Freshman JT Kelley made four birdies during his round of 76. Senior Dustin Turpin totaled 80 and freshman Vaughn Twilla scored 81; both made one birdie on Tuesday.

Hamilton Southeastern is currently seventh in the team standings with 307. Freshman Zach Kinser led the Royals with 74, including two birdies.

Senior Mattingly Upchurch scored 75, making three birdies. Senior Blake Babb and junior Brody Colburn both drained two birdies during their rounds of 79, while junior Dane Starnes totaled 81, including one birdie.



Reporter photos by Richie Hall
(TOP LEFT) Westfield's Hudson Kutchma is one of three players tied atop the leaderboard after the first round of the IHSAA boys golf state finals. Kutchma scored a four-under par 68 during Tuesday's first round. **(TOP RIGHT)** Noblesville's Tyler Marucci made an eagle on hole No. 3 and scored an even-par 72 in the first round. **(ABOVE LEFT)** Guerin Catholic's Eli Wessel scored 73, placing him in a six-way tie for seventh place after the first round. **(ABOVE RIGHT)** Hamilton Southeastern freshman Zach Kinzer scored 74 during his round.

Ace in the hole – twice!

Father & son make holes-in-one on same day

The REPORTER

The family that plays golf together, stays together. And every once in a while, makes holes-in-one together.

That's what Joel Kirsh and his son and Trevor Kirsh did on a recent outing to the Bridgewater Club. Joel and Trevor were playing a family round with Joel's other son Harrison Kirsh, and both Joel and Trevor made a hole in one during their round.

Trevor made his ace first, on the second hole. He said he will "always remember how pure the shot felt, and how I looked at my dad after it rolled for a few feet and disappeared out of my sight."

"With No. 2 being up on a hill, and the pin tucked back right, I knew I had hit a good shot but I wasn't sure how good," said Trev-

or. "I shot a look to my dad who said it was a good shot but he did not think it was in the hole.

"When we pulled up to the green, we didn't see a ball and I wasn't sure if I'd rolled off but I did ask my brother to check the hole. When he confirmed my Callaway ball with blue markings was in there, I was honestly shocked and didn't know how to react."

Not too much later, the group came to the 11th hole.

"On Hole 11, as soon as I hit my shot, I felt like it was a great swing, and both of the boys said, 'I think that could be in the hole,'" said Joel. "Trevor immediately began recording on his phone our reactions, as well as recording Harrison sprinting up the fairway to the green. We were all in shock and, of course, had an amazing celebration on



Photo provided

A family golf outing at the Bridgewater Club turned memorable for Joel Kirsh and his sons. Joel and Trevor Kirsh both made holes-in-one on the same round, with Trevor acing No. 2 and Joel making it on No. 11. Pictured: Trevor Kirsh, Harrison Kirsh, Joel Kirsh.

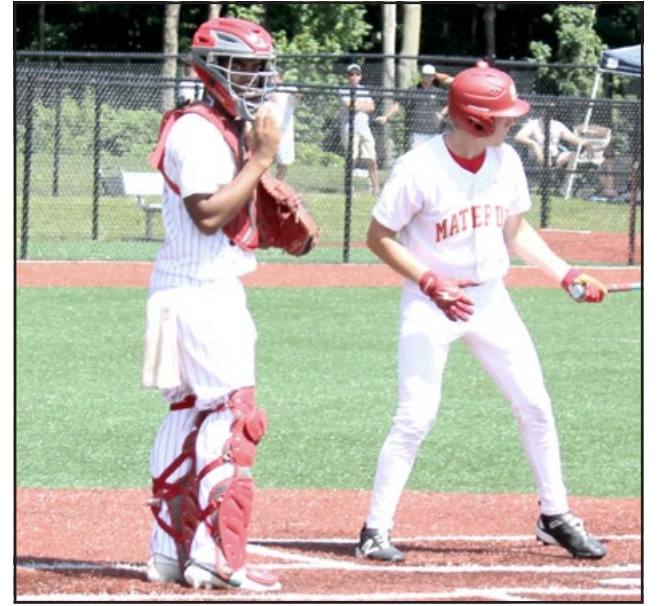
the green on 11. It was truly a miracle."

"My dad's hole-in-one will always stand out to me more than mine, proba-

bly because I was 50 times more excited for him," said Trevor. "We also saw his

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Baseball



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

University catcher Sterling Davis Jr. threw out two runners at home during the Trailblazers' semi-state game with Evansville Mater Dei Saturday, June 13 at Lawrence Central.

Blazers fall to Mater Dei

By **RICHIE HALL**
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LAWRENCE – University dropped a tough game in the semifinals of the Class 2A baseball semi-state at Lawrence Central on Saturday, June 13.

The Trailblazers fell to Evansville Mater Dei 6-2. University started out strong by scoring two runs in the top of the first inning. David Gasper singled in Ryan Castetter, then the Blazers loaded the bases and Philip Jacobs got home when Beckett Suh drew a walk.

But that would be all. The Wildcats took the lead in the bottom of the first with a three-run home run and stayed in front from that point forward. Mater Dei added two more runs in the third inning and another run in the fourth.

"Anytime you're playing infield-in or infield-halfway, you're not having the best of days," said University coach Chris Estep. "We were put into some positions that we didn't want to be put in. Everything we thought they

would do, they did. We knew that they were going to be a really good contact team and we knew [they had] some power in the middle of the lineup."

Castetter finished with two hits, followed by one hit each for Oliver Kingery and Gasper. Catcher Sterling Davis Jr. threw out two Mater Dei runners at home. Starting pitcher Cooper Cammack threw two strikeouts in 2.2 innings, then Caleb Stocker struck out three in 2.1 innings of relief.

University finished its season 21-11, defending its sectional and regional championships.

"We played an outstanding schedule, and we competed," said Estep. "And I thought we competed all the way up until the very end of that game."

While the coach admitted there were some things he would've differently in the semi-state game, he also said "you can't play this game in a rear-view mirror."

"Every kid in our program got better this year, and that's what's important," said Estep.

Baseball

GC breaks through to state finals

The REPORTER

The Golden Eagles triumphed at the Class 3A Jasper semi-state Saturday, June 13 at Ruxer Field. Guerin Catholic won two hard-fought games to advance to the 3A state championship game.

First, the Golden Eagles took care of Providence 3-0 in the semifinals. Guerin Catholic rode a remarkable performance from pitcher Tate Troxell. The Alabama-bound senior threw a complete game, striking out nine and allowing only two hits.

Guerin Catholic scored its first run in the opening inning. Nolan Ratcliff led off with a double and got home after Carson Kail hit a sacrifice fly. The Golden Eagles scored their other two runs in the third inning. Ian Taylor tripled in Ratcliff, then Kail singled Taylor home.

Championship game
Guerin Catholic beat Gibson Southern 4-2 in the championship game.

After three scoreless innings, Ben Canada smacked a lead off home



Photo courtesy Guerin Catholic Athletics

The Guerin Catholic baseball team won its first ever semi-state championship on Saturday, June 13 and qualified for the Class 3A state finals. The Golden Eagles beat Providence 3-0 in the semifinals and Gibson Southern 4-2 in the championship game.

run to get GC on the board in the top of the fourth inning. Grant Beard later cracked a double to score Taylor and Jackson Baker. The Titans scored one run in the bottom of the fourth, making the score 3-1.

Beard batted in Baker with an RBI fielder's choice in the sixth inning. Gibson Southern matched that with a run in the bottom of the sixth. The seventh inning went quickly, with neither team getting

on base. Beard caught a pop out in left field to finish the game and give Guerin Catholic its first-ever semi-state title.

Canada also hit a double, giving him two hits on the night. Kail was 2-for-2 at the plate and Kail hit a double. Luke Gremel-spacher got the pitching win, striking out two over four innings and allowing two hits. Harrison Haq pitched 1.1 innings in relief (one strikeout and one hit),

then Coltyn Price got the save, with two strikeouts over 1.2 no-hit innings.

Girls Tennis



Reporter photo by Richie Hall



Reporter photos by Julie Brown

(LEFT) Carmel's No. 1 doubles team of Gabby Hall and Madison Littell reached the championship match of the IHSAA individual doubles tournament, which took place Saturday, June 13 at Park Tudor. (ABOVE) Gabby Hall (left) and Madison Littell (right) finished their season 22-1 and helped Carmel to a team state championship.

Carmel's Littell & Hall finish as runners-up

By **RICHIE HALL**
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INDIANAPOLIS – The run of Carmel doubles team Madison Littell and Gabby Hall came to an end in the championship match of the individual state tournament.

The Greyhounds seniors battled with Jasper's team of senior Adaysha Smiley and sophomore Stella Knies in the final, which took place Saturday, June 13 at Park Tudor, before the Wildcats held on to win 6-4, 7-6 (7-1).

"I think everyone was

playing their best," said Littell. "It was just whoever was getting the momentum. They were finishing some shots and we needed to finish them, but it was overall a great match. Every game was going to deuce, so everyone was playing their best."

Littell and Hall were undefeated in the regular season, then stayed perfect throughout the team part of the postseason, helping Carmel to a team state championship. That qualified the Hounds for the individual tournament, where they were the top seed.

Carmel easily won its

morning semifinal match, defeating the Fort Wayne Snider team of seniors Tatum Miguel and Hannah Henry 6-2, 6-1. Littell and Hall are the 10th team to reach an individual doubles final and the first to appear in a championship match since Lauren Littell and Leila Anthony won in 2019.

Madison Littell noted that she and Hall had been playing together since seventh grade. Hall said it was "really amazing" playing with Littell.

The Greyhounds finished their season with a 22-1 record.



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Six county athletes among HCC Spring Athletes of the Year

The REPORTER

The Hoosier Crossroads Conference announced its spring Athletes of the Year on Friday, June 12. This year, six of the seven honorees were from Hamilton County.

**Baseball
Aiden Reynolds,
Noblesville**

Noblesville Senior Aiden Reynolds has been voted by the HCC coaches as the Athlete of the Year for baseball.

Reynolds was a four-year starter at shortstop for the Millers and a three-time All HCC First Team selection. During his career he played on three HCC championship teams and was a part of 43 HCC victories.

As a senior, Reynolds led the HCC champion Millers in almost all offensive categories including batting average (.411), runs scored (30), home runs (5), doubles (9) and RBIs (25). In addition, he stole 14 bases and had a .505 on-base percentage.

Reynolds was honored as the District K Player of the Year and named to the North/South All Star team.

Noblesville coach Justin Keever said, "Aiden's exploits on the field are obvious, but what many don't see is how elite his commitment is in his preparation behind the scenes and his sincere investment in his teammates! Aiden will go down as an all-time Miller-ball great!"

Reynolds will continue his education and baseball career at Indiana University.

Boys golf

Tyler Marucci, Noblesville
Noblesville senior Tyler Marucci has been named the HCC boys golf Athlete of the Year by the HCC head coaches.

Marucci was a four-year letterman for the Millers and holds the school 18-hole record shooting a 65 at the Winchester Invitational (seven under par). As a se-

nior he was named All-HCC after firing a one under par, which was good for second place at the HCC championship meet at Bear Slide.

Marucci was an integral part of two sectional and one regional team championship. He was part of two state finalist teams who finished in the top four.

Coach Gary Deakayne said, "Tyler has had a great career and a phenomenal senior season. He is a great player but more importantly, he is one of the nicest and most respectful young men I have had the opportunity to coach in my 19 years."

Marucci will continue his education and golf career at Indiana Wesleyan.

**Boys volleyball
Ethan Luenemann,
Fishers**

Senior Ethan Luenemann of Fishers has been named the boys volleyball Athlete of the Year by the volleyball coaches of the HCC. The 6-foot-3 middle blocker had an outstanding senior year for the HCC co-champion Tigers. Offensively he finished with 312 kills, 15 assists and 23 aces. He also recorded 39 blocks, 166 digs and 334 service receptions.

Luenemann's Tigers claimed the HCC championship last year and shared the title with Franklin Central this year.

Coach Jordan Guler said, "Ethan was a force to be reckoned with on the court this season and an incredibly important leader for our team. As one of our captains, he brought energy and intensity every day, consistently using his voice to challenge and motivate the players around him."

Girls tennis

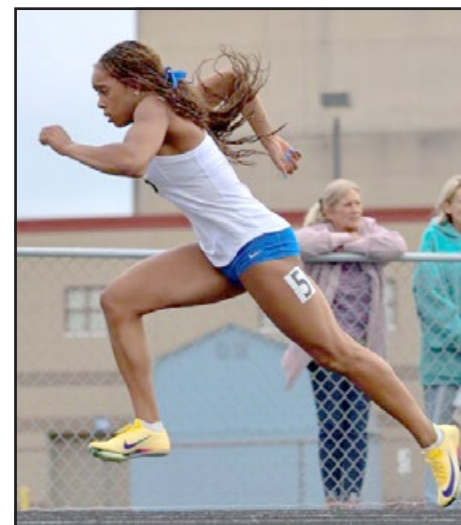
Isla Harvey, Westfield

Junior Isla Harvey of Westfield has been voted by the HCC coaches as the Athlete of the Year.

Harvey won the HCC No. 1 singles title this year after capturing the champi-



(FROM LEFT) Aiden Reynolds of Noblesville, Tyler Marucci of Noblesville, and Ethan Luenemann of Fishers are the three boys Hoosier Crossroads Conference honorees from Hamilton County.



(FROM LEFT) Isla Harvey of Westfield, Anissa Lammie of Hamilton Southeastern, and Haley Schatko of Noblesville are the three girls Hoosier Crossroads Conference honorees from Hamilton County.

onship at No. 2 singles last year as a sophomore. Those two titles gained her All-HCC recognition each year.

Harvey went an outstanding 19-2 at the No. 1 singles spot for the Shamrocks this year.

Westfield Coach Trudy Coler said, "Isla is an incredibly hardworking athlete who consistently puts in the effort to improve her game year after year. Her dedication and success make her truly deserving of this recognition."

Girls track

**Anissa Lammie,
Hamilton Southeastern**

junior Anissa Lammie has been selected by the HCC girls track coaches as the Athlete of the Year.

At the HCC championship meet, Lammie won the 400 meters for the third time and was a part of the 4x400 meter relay championship team for the second time.

At the IHSAA state meet, Lammie won the 400 meters and was a member of the championship 4X400 meter relay team. Lammie finished second in the 400 meters as a sophomore.

Hamilton Southeastern coach Julie Alano said, "Anissa has worked hard

this season after an injury indoors. Outdoors she continued to improve and once the tournament began, she was in top form. Running personal bests in the 4x800, 400 and 4x400. Anissa is a great teammate and enjoys running relays."

**Girls softball
Haley Schatko,
Noblesville**

The HCC Softball coaches have voted Noblesville senior Haley Schatko the Athlete of the Year.

Schatko was an offensive powerhouse for the HCC champion Millers leading the team with a .543 batting average. In addition,

Schatko led the Millers with a school-record tying 15 home runs. She also had 51 RBIs, had a .558 on-base percentage and an outstanding 1.138 slugging percentage.

Schatko was a four-year letterman and starter for the Millers. Schatko also earned two All-HCC First Team selections.

Noblesville Coach Deke Bullard said, "Haley's performance with our schedule was outstanding. I have never seen anything like that in my coaching career."

Schatko will continue her education and softball career at Indiana University.

HCC honors Coaches of the Year

The REPORTER

Hamilton County is well-represented on this year's Hoosier Crossroads Conference Spring 2026 Coaches of the Year list.

In fact, two sports named co-Coaches of the Year. In baseball, Noblesville's Justin Keever and Hamilton Southeastern's Kory Seitz were both selected for the honor. In Unified Track, Fishers' Patrick Schooley and Southeastern's Dan Moosbrugger both received Coach of the Year awards.

As for the other sports: Westfield's Josh Bryant was named as the boys golf Coach of the Year, with Noblesville's Deke Bullard receiving that honor in softball. Westfield's Trudy Coler was named the girls tennis Coach of the Year and Fishers' Jordan Guler received the award in boys volleyball.

Two coaches from Brownsburg rounded out the Coach of the Year list: Casey Popenfoose for boys track & field and Julie Waggoner for girls track & field.

Girls Tennis IHSTeCA announces girls All-State team

The REPORTER

The Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association announced its 2026 girls All-State teams last week.

Hamilton County had a solid presence on the list, with two players named to the First Team singles: University senior Laurel Buttrick and Westfield junior Isla Harvey. Buttrick was a mainstay for the Trailblazers during her high school career, while Harvey helped the Shamrocks to a team sectional title and also reached the individual regional final.

Three local doubles teams were named First Team doubles. Both of state champion Carmel's doubles pairings are on the list: individual runners-up, seniors

Gabby Hall and Madison Littell, and the Greyhounds' No. 2 team of junior Brylie Price and sophomore Shraya Pillutla.

Guerin Catholic's No. 1 doubles team of junior Abby Quigley and senior Katie Kolb were also named First Team. The Golden Eagles duo helped their team to a No. 1 ranking in the coaches poll during the season.

Carmel's senior sisters, Olivia Widjaja and Alexia Widjaja, were both named Second Team singles. All three of Guerin Catholic's singles players – senior Anna Kolb, junior CeCe Phillips and freshman Emily Pasman – are on the Second Team singles list as well.

Westfield's No. 1 doubles team of senior Jenna Berry and junior Bella Rivera were named Second Team doubles.

Hamilton Southeastern junior Julia Anderson and Westfield freshman Sloane Seyferth were named Honorable Mention singles. Guerin Catholic's team of junior Grace Docktor and sophomore Maddie Hood and Southeastern's team of senior Molly Slota and junior Lily Denton were both Honorable Mention doubles.

All of the above players were recognized on the IHSTeCA's All-District 6 team.



Julie Brown / File photo
Carmel's No. 1 singles player Olivia Widjaja was named to the Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association's Second Team singles.

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roll in the hole, after knowing I had one earlier."

"Needless to say, our favorite memory – and one that will likely be impossible to top – was having both Trev-

or and me achieve our first holes-in-one during the same round on the same day," said Joel. "Having Harrison there to join in the experience made it even more special."

— COURT NOTICE —

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Krieg DeVault LLP, Attorneys
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court,
Probate Division
In Re: the Estate of Dantrail Chave' Reese Sr., deceased
Estate Docket # 29D02-2606-EU-000240
Notice is hereby given that Da'Wana C. Reese was, on the 5th day of June 2026, appointed as Administrator of the Estate of Dantrail Chave' Reese Sr., deceased, who died on the 31st day of August, 2025.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 5th day of June, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court,
Probate Division
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Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-6560)
IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
Nancy Lynn Leininger)
Petitioner)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Nancy Lynn Leininger, whose)
mailing address is: 3930 Elkhorn)
Way Westfield, Indiana 46074,)
in the Hamilton County, Indiana,)
hereby gives notice that Nancy Lynn)
Leininger has filed a petition in the)
Hamilton County Circuit Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Nancy Lynn Grover.)
Notice is further given that the)
hearing will be held on said Petition)
on: October 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.)
Nancy Lynn Leininger)
Petitioner)
Date: June 1, 2026)
Kathy Kreag Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
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STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
HAMILTON COUNTY)
SUPERIOR COURT)
PROBATE DIVISION)
Cause No. 29D02-2605-EU-221)
IN THE MATTER OF)
THE UNSUPERVISED)
ADMINISTRATION OF THE)
ESTATE OF JOAN M. MULLIN,)
Deceased.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
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Indiana.)
Notice is hereby given that)
CARRYN E.M. FLETCHER was on)
May 18, 2026, appointed Personal)
Representative of the Estate of Joan)
M. Mullin, deceased.)
All persons having claims against)
said estate, whether or not now due,)
must file the same in said court within)
three (3) months from the date of the)
first publication of this notice or said)
claims will be forever barred.)
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, May)
18, 2026.)
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Probate Division)
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Hamilton Superior Court 2
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY
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STATE OF INDIANA
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
ELIZABETH UPDIKE,
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
TO BE PUBLISHED
In the Court of Hamilton County,
Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that on June
5, 2026, Theresa Thompson was
appointed Personal Representative
of the Estate of Elizabeth Updike, who
died testate on January
22, 2026.
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated in Hamilton County, Indiana,
on June 8, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
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STATE OF INDIANA)
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COURT)
PROBATE DIVISION)
CAUSE NO. 29D03-2605-EU-000231)
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
ALLEN EICHELBERGER,)
Deceased.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
Notice is hereby given that)
Gwynne Holloway was on the 26th)
of May, 2026 appointed personal)
representative of the estate of Allen)
Eichelberger, deceased.)
All persons who have claims against)
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must file the claim in the office of)
the clerk of this court within three)
(3) months from the date of the first)
publication of this notice, or within)
nine (9) months after the decedent's)
death, whichever is earlier, or the)
claims will be forever barred.)
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this)
May 26, 2026.)
Kathy Kreag Williams)
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court)
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton County Superior
Court No. 3
In the Matter of the Estate of Alberta
J. Parker, deceased.
Estate Docket No. 29D03-2606-
EU-000241
Notice is hereby given that Mary
A. Hammond was on June 8, 2026,
appointed
Personal Representative of the Estate
of Alberta J. Parker, deceased (January
23, 2026).
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on June
8, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior
Court No. 3
R8085 6/15/26, 6/22/26

29D01-2605-ES-202
S. MATTHEW COOK
Attorney for Estate
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of
Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Vendala
Dawn Lushin was on the 9 day of
June, 2026, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of James
Matthew Lushin, deceased, who died
on the 12th day of March, 2026.
All persons having claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the same in said Court within
three (3) months from the date of
the first publication of this notice,
or within nine (9) months after the
decedent's death, whichever is earlier,
or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
9 day of June, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
S. Matthew Cook
COOK & COOK
Attorneys at Law
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Noblesville, IN 46060
R8084 6/15/26, 6/22/26

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-2652)
IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
Caleb Adam Fredrick)
Petitioner)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Caleb Adam Fredrick, whose mailing)
address is: 11225 Spring Mill Rd Apt)
2-105 Carmel, Indiana 46032, in the)
Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Caleb Adam Fredrick)
has filed a petition in the Hamilton)
County Circuit Court requesting that)
name be changed to Caleb Adam)
Combs.)
Notice is further given that the)
hearing will be held on said Petition)
on: October 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.)
Caleb Adam Fredrick)
Petitioner)
Date: March 2, 2026)
Kathy Kreag Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
6/15/26, 6/22/26, 6/29/26)
R8093

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-2654)
IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
Olivia Katherine Fredrick)
Petitioner)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Olivia Katherine Fredrick, whose)
mailing address is: 11225 Spring Mill)
Rd Apt 2-105 Carmel, Indiana 46032,)
in the Hamilton County, Indiana,)
hereby gives notice that Olivia)
Katherine Fredrick has filed a petition)
in the Hamilton County Circuit Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Olivia Katherine Combs.)
Notice is further given that the)
hearing will be held on said Petition)
on: October 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.)
Olivia Katherine Fredrick)
Petitioner)
Date: March 2, 2026)
Kathy Kreag Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
6/15/26, 6/22/26, 6/29/26)
R8094

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-2649)
IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
Amelia-Mae June Fredrick)
Name of Minor)
Caleb Adam Fredrick)
By Next Friend)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Notice is hereby given that, Caleb)
Adam Fredrick, Next Friend of)
minor child, self-represented, filed a)
Verified Petition for Change of Name)
on January 15, 2026 to change the)
name of Amelia-Mae June Fredrick to)
Amelia-Mae June Combs.)
The Petition is schedule for hearing)
in the Hamilton County Circuit Court)
on July 17, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., which)
is more than thirty (30) days after the)
third notice of publication. Any person)
has the right to appear at the hearing)
and to file written objections on or)
before the hearing date.)
Date: March 2, 2026)
Kathy Kreag Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
6/15/26, 6/22/26, 6/29/26)
R8095

29D01-2606-EU-000258
S. MATTHEW COOK
Attorney for Estate
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of
Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Dustin T.
Flick and Frankie Cheyenne Meenach
were on the 12th day of June, 2026,
appointed Personal Representatives of
the Estate of Jonette Chere Melahn,
deceased.
All persons having claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the same in said Court within
three (3) months from the date of
the first publication of this notice,
or within nine (9) months after the
decedent's death, whichever is earlier,
or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
12th day of June, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
S. Matthew Cook
COOK & COOK
Attorneys at Law
955 Logan Street
Noblesville, IN 46060
R8112 6/22/26, 6/29/26

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2606-MI-6817)
IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
Siera-Marie Kay Gargiulo)
Petitioner)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Siera-Marie Kay Gargiulo, whose)
mailing address is: 1007 Orlando)
Street Carmel, Indiana 46032, in the)
Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Siera-Marie Kay)
Gargiulo has filed a petition in the)
Hamilton County Circuit Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Ara Kay Gargiulo.)
Notice is further given that the)
hearing will be held on said Petition)
on: August 21, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.)
Siera-Marie Kay Gargiulo)
Petitioner)
Date: June 12, 2026)
Kathy Kreag Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
6/15/26, 6/22/26, 6/29/26)
R8103

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court 2 of Hamilton
County, Indiana
Cause Number
29D02-2603-EU-000133
Notice is hereby given that Leejay
Williams was, on the 18th day of
March 2026, appointed personal
representative of the estate of Jennifer
A. Jones, deceased, who died on the
17th day of November, 2023.
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
9th day of June, 2026.
ATTORNEY FOR ESTATE:
Chris M. Teagle, Attorney No.
2278-18
Address P.O. Box 964
Anderson, IN 46015
Telephone No. (765) 748-2146
E-mail: christeagle@comcast.net
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Court for
Hamilton County, Indiana
R8113 6/22/26, 6/29/26

SHERIFF SALES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Hamilton Superior Court 7 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D07-
2510-MF-012194 wherein Freedom Mortgage Corporation was Plaintiff, and
Krikor Mnataganian, Darlene Mnataganian, Horizon Bank and United States
of America were Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said
Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on
the 23rd day of July, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon
thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the
fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot Number 69 in Cedar Point, an Addition in Hamilton County, Indiana,
as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 6, pages 131-132 and corrected by
Certificate of Correction of Plat recorded May 6, 1998 as Instrument No. 98-
23618 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as 10023 Cedar Point Dr, Cannel, IN 46032-9584
Parcel No. 29-13-10-402-028.000-018
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff
/s/ BARRY T. BARNES
BARRY T. BARNES, Plaintiff Attorney
Attorney # 19657-49
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46250
(317) 237-2727
Clay
Township
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the
accuracy of the street address published herein.
NOTICE
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.
R8064 6/8/26, 6/15/26, 6/22/26

SHERIFF SALES
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF)
HAMILTON COUNTY)
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA)
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2512-PL-013346)
THE TOWNHOMES AT AVALON)
HOMEOWNERS NEIGHBORHOOD)
ASSOCIATION, INC.)
PLAINTIFF)
vs)
SERICA KING; HAMILTON COUNTY)
AUDITOR; CITY OF FISHERS; CITIZENS)
BANK, N.A.; AND ANY UNKNOWN)
OCCUPANTS)
DEFENDANTS)
CITIZENS BANK, N.A.)
CROSSCLAIM/COUNTERCLAIM)
PLAINTIFF)
vs)
SERICA K. KING; AVALON MASTER)
ASSOCIATION, INC.; THE TOWNHOMES AT)
AVALON HOMEOWNERS NEIGHBORHOOD)
ASSOCIATION)
CROSSCLAIM/COUNTERCLAIM)
DEFENDANTS)
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue of an Order of Sale, directed to me from the Clerk of the Hamilton
Circuit Court and pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered on 05/13/2026,
I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the office of
the Sheriff of Hamilton County, in Hamilton County, Indiana, located at 18100
Cumberland Rd., Noblesville, IN 46060 on July 23, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00
p.m. Local Time, the fee simple title together with the rents, profits, issues and
income or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest,
costs and accruing costs of the following described real estate located in Hamilton
County, Indiana, to-wit:
Lot Numbered 119 in Avalon of Fishers Townhomes, Section One D, a
Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per Certificate of Correction
recorded December 1, 2004 as Instrument Number 200400081163 amending
Plat recorded as Instrument Number 200400020938, in the Office of the
Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known as: 13824 Willesden Circle, Fishers, IN 46037
State Parcel Number: 29-11-25-004-017.000-020
This sale is to be made in all respects pursuant to an act of the General Assembly
of the State of Indiana, approved March 7, 1931, and entitled An act concerning
proceedings in actions to foreclose real estate mortgages, providing for the
sale and custody of the mortgaged premises and repealing all laws conflicting
therewith (see Indiana Code).
It is further provided by law that there shall be no redemption from such sale,
and the purchaser at such sale, upon complying with the terms of his purchase,
shall be entitled to immediately receive from the undersigned, Sheriff of Hamilton
County, a deed conveying to him, the purchaser, the fee simple title in and to said
real estate.
Taken as the property of the Defendant(s) stated above at the suit of Citizens
Bank, N.A. Said sale to be without relief from valuation and/or appraisalment
laws.
THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WARRANT THE
ACCURACY OF THE STREET ADDRESS PUBLISHED HEREIN.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Attorney for Plaintiff
Codilis Law, LLC
8050 Cleveland Place
Merrillville, IN 46410
(219) 736-5579
15-25-01641
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
R8062 6/8/26, 6/15/26, 6/22/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree directed to me from the Clerk of the
Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in 29C01-2602-MF-001633, wherein
U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as
Trustee of Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2021-RP4 was the Plaintiff, and James
Arthur Alexander was the Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided
for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the
highest bidder, on July 23, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said
day, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana, the fee simple of the whole
body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Number Seven (7) In Square One (1) in Caswell Boxley's Second
Addition to the Town of Sheridan, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded in
Plat Book 46, page 63, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County,
Indiana.
Parcel Number: 29-01-31-203-021.000-002
Commonly known as 103 North Sherman, Sheridan, Indiana 46069
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. This is an attempt by a debt
collector to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that
purpose.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana
Sheridan
Township
103 N. Sherman, Sheridan, IN 46069
Property Address
John B. Flatt, Attorney No. 20883-45
Attorney for Plaintiff
NELSON & FRANKENBERGER
11350 North Meridian Street, Suite 320
Carmel, IN 46032
Attorney for Plaintiff
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address
published herein.
Nelson & Frankenger, LLC is a debt collector and this is an attempt to
collect a debt; any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
R8067 6/8/26, 6/15/26, 6/22/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF)
HAMILTON COUNTY)
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA)
CAUSE NO. 29D02-2601-MF-001259)
BMO BANK N.A., F/K/A BMO HARRIS BANK N.A.)
PLAINTIFF)
vs)
WILLIAM C. GOOLSBY; ERIN L. GOOLSBY;)
SUNBLEST FARMS PROPERTY OWNERS)
ASSOCIATION, INC.)
DEFENDANTS)
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue of an Order of Sale, directed to me from the Clerk of the Hamilton
Circuit Court and pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered on 05/04/2026,
I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the office of
the Sheriff of Hamilton County, in Hamilton County, Indiana, located at 18100
Cumberland Rd., Noblesville, IN 46060 on July 23, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00
p.m. Local Time, the fee simple title together with the rents, profits, issues and
income or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest,
costs and accruing costs of the following described real estate located in Hamilton
County, Indiana, to-wit:
Lot Number 57 in Sunblest Farms, Section 17 A, an Addition to the Town of
Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book
16, pages 116-119, amended by Certificate of Correction recorded November
20, 1989 as Instrument No. 8926327 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton
County, Indiana.
Commonly known as: 7760 Kylan Court, Fishers, IN 46038
State Parcel Number: 29-10-36-118-005.000-006
This sale is to be made in all respects pursuant to an act of the General Assembly
of the State of Indiana, approved March 7, 1931, and entitled An act concerning
proceedings in actions to foreclose real estate mortgages, providing for the
sale and custody of the mortgaged premises and repealing all laws conflicting
therewith (see Indiana Code).
It is further provided by law that there shall be no redemption from such sale,
and the purchaser at such sale, upon complying with the terms of his purchase,
shall be entitled to immediately receive from the undersigned, Sheriff of Hamilton
County, a deed conveying to him, the purchaser, the fee simple title in and to said
real estate.
Taken as the property of the Defendant(s) stated above at the suit of BMO Bank
N.A., F/K/A BMO Harris Bank N.A. Said sale to be without relief from valuation
and/or appraisalment laws.
THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WARRANT THE
ACCURACY OF THE STREET ADDRESS PUBLISHED HEREIN.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Attorney for Plaintiff
Codilis Law, LLC
8050 Cleveland Place
Merrillville, IN 46410
(219) 736-5579
15-26-00089
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
R8063 6/8/26, 6/15/26, 6/22/26

NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION TO ENTER INTO LEASE
Taxpayers of the City of Noblesville, Indiana ("City") are hereby notified that
the City did on June 9, 2026, adopt a resolution preliminarily determining
to enter into a lease ("Lease") for the purpose of providing funds for the cost
of the acquisition of property and the construction of a public safety facility,
which will include, among other things: (i) the Noblesville Police Department's
administrative offices, public and secure meeting spaces, public services areas,
criminal records department, evidentiary storage, and real-time crime tracking
center; (ii) public parking and secured parking for the Noblesville Police
Department's fleet of vehicles; and (iii) all necessary infrastructure, including
roads, streets and utilities, to be improved in connection with, or related to, the
public safety facility and surrounding area (collectively, "Project"), located in
the City. The Lease will be for a maximum term of twenty-two (22) years
commencing, with regard to the Interim Tracts (as defined in the Lease), on the
date the Noblesville Building Corporation acquires an interest in the Interim
Tracts and, commencing with regard to the Project Tract (as defined in the Lease),
on the date the Project is complete and ready for use. The proceeds of the bonds
will be used to finance the costs of the Project and other expenses incidental
thereto and costs of issuing the bonds.
The Lease provides for rentals with regard to the Interim Tracts at the maximum
annual rate of \$3,700,000, although the parties reasonably expect such annual
rental to be approximately \$3,500,000, payable semiannually on December 31,
2026, June 30, 2027, December 31, 2027 and June 30, 2028 ("Interim Period").
At the end of the Interim Period, the Lease provides for rentals at the maximum
annual rate of \$4,600,000, although the parties reasonably expect such annual
rental to be approximately \$3,500,000, payable semiannually on June 30 and
December 31, commencing on the day the Project is completed and ready for
use, or December 31, 2028, whichever is later. The lease rentals shall be payable
from General Revenues (as defined in the Lease), and, to the extent the General
Revenues are not sufficient, from an ad valorem property tax levied and collected
on all taxable property in the City, such property tax levy not to exceed twenty
(20) years of annual lease rental payments.
Dated: June 15 and June 22, 2026.
/s/ Evelyn Lees
Clerk, City of Noblesville, Indiana
R8087 6/15/26, 6/22/26

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LEASE BY
THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA
You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held before the Common
Council of the City of Noblesville, Indiana ("City") on July 14, 2026 at the hour
of 6:00 p.m. (local time) in the City Hall Council Chambers, 16 S. 10th Street,
Noblesville, Indiana 46060, upon a proposed lease ("Lease") to be entered into
between the Noblesville Building Corporation ("Corporation"), as lessor, and
the City, as lessee. The Lease is for the benefit of the citizens of the City of
Noblesville.
The proposed Lease upon which the hearing will be held is for a term not to
exceed twenty-two (22) years, commencing with regard to the Interim Tracts (as
defined in the Lease), on the date the lessor acquires an interest in the Interim
Tracts, and commencing with regard to the Project Tract (as defined in the Lease),
upon the completion of the Project (as defined in the Lease) by the Corporation.
With regard to the Interim Tracts, the Lease provides for a maximum annual lease
rental of \$3,700,000, although the parties reasonably expect such annual rental
to be approximately \$3,500,000, payable semiannually on December 31, 2026,
June 30, 2027, December 31, 2027 and June 30, 2028 ("Interim Period"). At
the end of the Interim Period, the Lease provides for a maximum annual lease
rental of \$4,600,000, although the parties reasonably expect such annual rental
to be approximately \$3,500,000, payable semiannually on June 30 and December
31 of each year during the term of the Lease. At the end of the Interim Period,
the first rental installment shall be due on the day the Project constructed on
the Project Tract is completed and ready for use or December 31, 2028, whichever
is later. Lease rentals will be payable from General Revenues (as defined in the
Lease) and, to the extent General Revenues are not sufficient, from an ad valorem
property tax levied and collected on all taxable property in the City, such property
tax levy not to exceed twenty (20) years of annual lease rental payments. As
additional rental, the lessee shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes and assessments
against such property, as well as the cost of alterations and repairs, and shall
pay rebate amounts to the United States Treasury. The Lease requires the lessee
to maintain insurance on the Project and to bear all cost of alterations and repairs.
After the sale by the Corporation of its bonds to pay for the cost of the Project,
including the acquisition of the Interim Tracts and the Project Tract and other
expenses incidental thereto, the annual rental shall be reduced to an amount equal
to the multiple of \$1,000 next higher than the sum of principal and interest due
on such bonds in each twelve-month period ending on any bond payment date
(bond year), plus an amount not to exceed \$5,000, payable in equal semiannual
installments.
The Lease gives an option to the lessee to purchase the Project on any
rental payment date. The Project includes the acquisition of property and the
construction of a public safety facility, which will include, among other things:
(i) the Noblesville Police Department's administrative offices, public and secure
meeting spaces, public services areas, criminal records department, evidentiary
storage, and real-time crime tracking center; (ii) public parking and secured
parking for the Noblesville Police Department's fleet of vehicles; and (iii) all
necessary infrastructure, including roads, streets and utilities, to be improved in
connection with, or related to, the public safety facility and surrounding area.
A copy of the proposed Lease is available for inspection by the public on all
business days, during business hours, at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 16
S. 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana.
At such hearing, all persons interested shall have a right to be heard upon
the necessity for the execution of the Lease, and upon whether the lease rental
provided for therein to be paid to the Corporation is a fair and reasonable rental
for the proposed Project. Such hearing may be adjourned to a later date or dates,
and following such hearing the City may either authorize the execution of such
lease as originally agreed upon or may make modifications therein as may be
agreed upon with the Corporation.
Dated: June 15, 2026.
/s/ Evelyn Lees
Clerk, City of Noblesville, Indiana
R8088 6/15/26, 6/22/26

HAMILTON COUNTY

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS
Pursuant to IC 5-3-1-2(b) Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County
Council of Hamilton County, Indiana will meet Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at their
regular meeting place of One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana.
The regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council will begin at 7:00 p.m.
in the Commissioners Courtroom. Purpose of this meeting if for consideration
of transfer of funds, 144 amendments, reduction of funds and to consider the
following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year.
The Council will hold a public hearing for the additional appropriations. Any
person having concerns or questions on said appropriations shall be heard at the
public hearing.
Fund 1203 Tax Sale 3000 Other Services and Charges 7,000.00
Fund 1029 Airport State/Local Grants 3000 Other Services and Charges 500,000
1237 Opioid Restricted 3000 Other Services and Charges 28,390.00
2000 Office Supplies 780.00
Fund 8200 Federal Grants 2000 Office Supplies 2,128.00
R8117 6/17/26, 6/22/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Hamilton Superior Court 7 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D06-
2602-MF-002455 wherein NewRez LLC was Plaintiff, and Alan L. Harris was
a Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with
interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 23rd
day of July, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as
is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of
the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot 90 in Westfield Farms, Section 1, an addition to Washington Township
in Hamilton County, Indiana as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 11,
pages 160-161 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as 14601 Harvest Dr, Carmel, IN 46032-5006
Parcel No. 29-09-13-302-026.000-015
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff
/s/ BRYAN K. REDMOND
BRYAN K. REDMOND, Plaintiff Attorney
Attorney # 22108-29
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46250
(317) 237-2727
Washington
Township
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the
accuracy of the street address published herein.
NOTICE
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.
R8065 6/8/26, 6/15/26, 6/22/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree directed to me from the Clerk of the
Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in 29D06-2602-MF-001666,
wherein Reliant Income Fund LLC was the Plaintiff, and Keith Albert Johnson Jr.;
MidFirst Bank, a Federally Chartered Savings Association; Secretary of Housing
and Urban Development; Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its
individual capacity but solely as Trustee of CVI AMR Investment Trust; and LVNV
Funding LLC were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for
in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest
bidder, on July 23, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at
18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana, the fee simple of the whole body
of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Number Ninety (90) in Plantana, Section Two, Addition to the Town
of Fishers in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded in
Plat Cabinet 1, Slide 754, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County,
Indiana.
Parcel Number: 29-11-20-005-026.000-020
Commonly known as 13815 Brightwater Dr., Fishers, IN 46038
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. This is an attempt by a debt
collector to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that
purpose.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana
Fall Creek
Township
13815 Brightwater Dr., Fishers, IN 46038
Property Address
John B. Flatt, Attorney No. 20883-45
Attorney for Plaintiff
NELSON & FRANKENBERGER
11350 North Meridian Street, Suite 320
Carmel, IN 46032
Attorney for Plaintiff
*** THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO THE 1st MORTGAGE IN FAVOR OF
MIDFIRST BANK ***
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address
published herein.
Nelson & Frankenger, LLC is a debt collector and this is an attempt to
collect a debt; any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
R8066 6/8/26, 6/15/26, 6/22/26

— ARCADIA —

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

ARCADIA WATER DEPARTMENT Public Water System ID: IN5229001

We are pleased to present to you the Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) for the year, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2025. This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

For more information regarding this report, contact: Name: Allen Schultz Phone: 317-984-3512

Atlanta Town Board meets at the town hall the second and fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Sources of Drinking Water

Arcadia Town Board meets at town hall the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Information on the Town's wellhead protection plan can be obtained by calling 317-984-3512.

Table with 4 columns: Source Name, Type of Water, Report Status, Location. Rows include WELL #1 (Ground water) and WELL #2 (Ground water).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk.

A service line inventory has been prepared and can be accessed www.arcadiaindiana.org or https://pws-ptd.120wateraudit.com/ArcadiaWDIN

Microbial Contaminants - such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife. Inorganic Contaminants - such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and Herbicides - which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses. Organic Chemical Contaminants - including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive Contaminants - which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, odor, or color of drinking water, please contact the system's business office.

Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing.

ARCADIA WATER DEPARTMENT is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time.

You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures.

Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes.

If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact ARCADIA WATER DEPARTMENT at . Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

In the tables below, you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system. Level 2 Assessment: A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Treatment Technique or TT: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions. Avg. Average - Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

RAA: Running Annual Average. LRAA: Locational Running Annual Average. mrem: millirem per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body). ppb: micrograms per liter (ug/L) or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. ppm: milligrams per liter (mg/L) or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

picocuries per liter (pCi/L): picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water. na: not applicable. Our water system tested a minimum of 2 sample(s) per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. With the microbiological samples collected, the water system collects disinfectant residuals to ensure control of microbial growth.

Table with 8 columns: Disinfectant, Date, Highest RAA, Unit, Range, MRDL, MRDLG, Typical Source. Row for CHLORINE shows a range of 0.7 - 1.7 and a typical source of water additive used to control microbes.

Regulated Contaminants In the tables below, we have shown the regulated contaminants that were detected. Chemical Sampling of our drinking water may not be required on an annual basis; therefore, information provided in this table refers back to the latest year of chemical sampling results.

Table with 5 columns: Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR), Collection Date of HV, Highest Value (HV), Range of Sampled Result(s), Unit. Row for Lead and Copper shows 90TH Percentile: 90% of your water utility levels were less than.

Table with 8 columns: Disinfection Byproducts, Sample Point, Period, Highest LRAA, Range, Unit, MCL, MCLG, Typical Source. Row for TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAAs) shows a typical source of By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Table with 8 columns: Regulated Contaminants, Collection Date, Highest Value, Range, Unit, MCL, MCLG, Typical Source. Row for ARSENIC shows a typical source of Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.

Table with 8 columns: Regulated Contaminants, Collection Date, Highest Value, Range, Unit, MCL, MCLG, Typical Source. Row for BARIUM shows a typical source of Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.

Table with 8 columns: Regulated Contaminants, Collection Date, Highest Value, Range, Unit, MCL, MCLG, Typical Source. Row for FLUORIDE shows a typical source of Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.

Table with 8 columns: Radiological Contaminants, Collection Date, Highest Value, Range, Unit, MCL, MCLG, Typical Source. Row for COMBINED RADIUM (-226 & -228) shows a typical source of Erosion of natural deposits.

Table with 8 columns: Radiological Contaminants, Collection Date, Highest Value, Range, Unit, MCL, MCLG, Typical Source. Row for RADIUM-226 shows a typical source of Erosion of natural deposits.

There are no additional required health effects notices. There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

R8118 6/22/26

— SHERIDAN —

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals for Residential Solid Waste, Yard Waste, Recycling Collection and Disposal (the "Services") will be received by the Town of Sheridan, Indiana (the "Town") at Sheridan Clerk-Treasurer's Office, Attn: Elizabeth Walden, 201 S. Main Street, Sheridan, IN 46069, until August 12, 2026 @ 12:00 P.M. EST.

The Services outlined in the RFP consist of weekly pick-up of bagged, containerized and/or bundled household Solid Waste, Yard Waste, and bi-weekly curbside commingled Recycling from all eligible Residential Units within the Town District (and alternatively the Rural District) of the Town and proper disposal of all collections in accordance with applicable law.

Proposals are required to include a Bid based on the RFP Specifications as set forth in the RFP Documents but may also propose alternative terms and specifications for the Services. Any such alternative proposals should include a statement of the impact of each proposed alternative on the price.

Proposals must be submitted on the forms in the RFP Documents, must contain the names of every person or company interested therein, and shall be accompanied by the following:

(1) An Indiana State Board of Accounts Revised Form No. 96 as required in the Instructions to Offerors, including a financial statement, a statement of experience, a proposed plan or plans for performing the Services and the equipment the Offeror has available for the performance of the Services;

(2) Bid Bond or certified check in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be evidence of good faith that the successful Offeror, if the original bid is accepted, will execute a Contract based on the RFP Specifications. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be made payable to the Town.

Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of the bids, but no Offeror shall withdraw its bid within one hundred eighty (180) days after the actual opening of the bids.

All Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful Offerors will be returned upon selection of the successful Offeror and execution of a Contract, and provision of the required Performance Bond.

A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety, acceptable to the Town, on the form enclosed, shall be required of the successful Offeror in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum for one (1) year, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Contract.

All out-of-state corporations must have a certificate of authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Indiana Secretary of State's Office.

At the Town's discretion, and to further assist in its evaluation, one or more responding Offerors may be requested to participate in discussion or negotiations. The Town reserves the right to accept any bid as submitted or alternatively negotiate with Offerors on the scope of services, specifications, contract terms, or any other portion of the RFP. The Town reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all bids or proposals, and/or waive any informalities, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Town as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with Ind. Code §5-22-18-2.

The Request for Proposal may be reviewed during normal office hours in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Sheridan, 201 S. Main Street, Sheridan, IN 46069.

Comments addressing the scope and content of the RFP will be received in the Office of the Director of the Sheridan Department of Public Works through 2:00 pm on July 24, 2026 at egifford@sheridan.in.gov.

Town of Sheridan, Indiana 6/22/26

— HAMILTON COUNTY —

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SEALED BIDS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE JS MCCARTY DRAIN PHASE 2 RECONSTRUCTION, 3,664 FEET, MORE OR LESS IN LENGTH IN SECTION 1,2, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST, WAYNE TOWNSHIP WILL BE OPENED AND READ ON THE 13TH DAY OF JULY 2026 AT 12:00 P.M. BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY JUDICIAL BUILDING, ONE HAMILTON COUNTY SQUARE, NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA 46060-2230.

All bids must be on proposal forms furnished by the Hamilton County Surveyor and accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid amount. The bidder shall also execute a FORM 96 as required by the State Board of Accounts and include a notarized non-collusion affidavit with the bid documents.

Plans and specifications for the project are on file in the office of the Hamilton County Drainage Board / Surveyor's Office at One Hamilton County Square, Suite 188, Noblesville, Indiana 46060.

A non-refundable fee for plans and specifications of Seventy Five dollars (\$75.00) is required. Check payable to the Hamilton County Treasurer. ALL BIDS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY BY 12:00 P.M. JULY 13, 2026.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD ATTEST: Margaret Hobbs EXECUTIVE SECRETARY R8115 6/22/26

— WESTFIELD —

Legal Notice

Liberty Federal Credit Union (4401 Theater Drive, Evansville, IN 47715) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of the Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities for the following: Liberty Federal Credit Union, located at 1341 West Tournament Trail, Westfield, IN, 46074. Runoff from the project site will flow to the Little Eagle Branch - Headwaters watershed. Contact Ryan Foster with Liberty Federal Credit Union at 800-800-9271 Ext. 1128 for questions or to request additional information. R8120 6/22/26

— ATLANTA —

LEGAL NOTICE

Town of Atlanta Board of Zoning Appeals

The Atlanta Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on July 9th, 2026, at 7 p.m. in the Atlanta Town Hall, 105 East Main Street Atlanta, IN 46031 in order to hear the following petition: DOCKET NO. 070926-01

A Variance Request concerning a small workshop build for a home-based business. Ordinance in order to: Build small workshop Project address: 28370 N. Whistler Rd, Atlanta, IN 46031 Legal Description Attached? (No)

The petition may be examined at the office of the Atlanta Building Commissioner, 105 East Main Street, Atlanta, Indiana 46031

Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing or may file written comments concerning the matter to be heard prior to or at the Hearing

The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary Petitioner's Name: Kevin Moore, Black Sheep Ranch Creative Solutions, LLC R8126 6/22/26

— TIPTON —

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CO-V-12-26 DeWitt

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals, on the 1st day of July 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the 1st Floor meeting room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, will hold a public hearing to consider the following:

CO-V-12-26: Adam DeWitt, owner and petitioner, requests two (2) development standard variances to reduce the rear yard setback requirement from 50 feet to 44 feet and to increase the maximum lot coverage from 10% to 17%, for a room addition in the AG-Agricultural zoning district

The property is more fully described as: Part of the South Half of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 23 North, Range 4 East, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 23 North, Range 4 East of the Second Principal Meridian, thence running South 304 feet to the place of beginning, thence running North 89°56' East a distance of 150 feet, thence running South a distance of 80 feet, thence running South 89°56' West a distance of 80 feet to the place of beginning, containing 0.275 acre, more or less, in Tipton County, Indiana.

ALSO: Part of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 23 North, Range 4 East, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Half; thence South 304.00 feet along the West line of said Half; thence North 89°56'00" East 150 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 89°56'00" East 50.00 feet; thence South 80 feet; thence South 89°56'00" West 50.00 feet; thence North 80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.09 acre more or less

Commonly known as: 6561 N 400 W, Sharpville, IN 46068 Parcel No.: 80-03-33-200-004.010-005

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time.

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals R8109 6/19/26, 6/22/26

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TIPTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on July 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the 1st floor meeting room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, to consider the following proposed amendment to the Tipton County Ordinance: AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR DATA CENTERS

1. "Data Centers" are defined as: A facility or facilities used predominantly for the storage, management, processing, and transmission of data, including server farms, cloud computing facilities, artificial intelligence processing facilities, and related digital infrastructure. Data centers include buildings and related mechanical and electrical equipment designed to support these activities.

This ordinance will apply to the entire jurisdiction of the Tipton County Plan Commission.

The proposals may be viewed in the Plan Commission Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana prior to the hearing. Please call 765-675-6063 should you have any questions.

Interested persons desiring to present their views regarding the proposed amendment, either verbally or in writing, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place; or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Plan Commission Office prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary. After the hearing, the Plan Commission may act on the proposed ordinance. The hearing identified above is the opportunity to express concerns and ask questions on the proposed ordinance.

Tipton County Plan Commission R8110 6/19/26, 6/22/26

— CARMEL —

CARMEL/CLAY BOARD OF PARKS & RECREATION NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Owner: Carmel/Clay Board of Parks & Recreation 1411 East 116th Street Carmel, Indiana 46032

Project: White River Greenway North Trail Extension Landscape Notice is hereby given that the Carmel/Clay Board of Parks and Recreation (the "Owner"), will receive sealed bids for the above referenced Project at the Board's Administrative Offices located at 1411 East 116th Street, Carmel Indiana 46032 on July 14 2026 at 3:00 pm local time, and as soon as practicable thereafter on the same date, the Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Conference Room of the Administrative Offices. The outside of the sealed envelope in which the Bid is enclosed, shall be clearly marked "BID - WHITE RIVER GREENWAY NORTH TRAIL EXTENSION LANDSCAPE", and as otherwise set forth in the Bid Documents. Any Bid received after the designated time will be returned to the Bidder unopened. A non-mandatory pre-bid conference for discussion of the Project, the bidding requirements and other important matters will be held on June 25, 2026 at 3:00 pm local time at the Administrative Offices located at 1411 East 116th Street, Carmel Indiana 46032; and, weather permitting, shall conclude with a visit to the location where the Work is to be performed. Prospective bidders are encouraged, but not required, to attend the pre-bid conference. For special accommodations needed by individuals with disabilities planning to attend the pre-bid conference or public bid opening meeting, please notify Michael Krosschell at krosschellm@weibe.net or at (317) 414-7398 least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.

In general, the Work for the Project consists of Site improvements including site clearing, landscape plantings, seeding, landscape maintenance, and fence installation, all as set forth in the Contract Documents for the Project which, except for those items not included due to timing, size or other factors, have been assembled into a Project Manual and includes the Bid Documents. The Project Manual and any and all full size drawings may be examined at and obtained from the office of Eastern Engineering Supply Company, 9901 Allisonville Road, Fishers, Indiana 46038; Phone: (317) 598-0661. The plan charge will be listed on the online plan room. Payment may be made by check, credit card, or cash. NO DEPOSITS ACCEPTED. Make checks payable to Eastern Engineering. All payments and costs of Contract Documents and related supplemental materials are non-refundable. Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets, whether hard copy or electronic, of the Project Manual and drawings and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets.

Bids must be submitted on the forms in the Project Manual, must contain the names of every person or company interested therein, and shall be accompanied by: (1) Properly and completely executed Form 96 (revised 2013) prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts which includes a financial statement, a statement of experience, a proposed plan or plans for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work; (2) Bid Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including any alternates, with a satisfactory corporate surety or by a certified check on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Bid. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be evidence of good faith that the successful Bidder will execute within ten (10) calendar days from the acceptance of the Bid, the Agreement as included in the Project Manual. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be made payable to Carmel/Clay Board of Parks & Recreation; (3) A Non-Collusion Affidavit complying with the requirements of Ind. Code §36-1-2-4. Owner reserves the right to hold any or all Bids for a period of not more than sixty (60) days after the date on which the Bids are opened and, for such sixty (60) day period, all such Bids shall be in full force and effect. Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled closing time for the receipt of Bids but no Bidder shall withdraw a Bid within the sixty (60) day period after opening of the Bids. All bid security of unsuccessful bidders will be returned by the Owner upon selection of the successful Bidder and execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance Bond and Payment Bond. In the event that the total amount of the contract awarded to the successful Contractor is \$300,000 or more, the successful Contractor must be qualified under either Ind. Code §4-13.6-4 or Ind. Code §8-23-10 before doing any work on the Project.

Pursuant to Ind. Code §5-22-17-6, Owner reserves the right to specify in the contract with the successful bidder one or both of the following: 1. Early performance of the contract will result in increased compensation; 2. Completion of the contract after the termination or designated completion date(s) will result in a deduction from the compensation. A Performance Bond and Payment Bond with good and sufficient surety, acceptable to the Owner and Architect/Engineer, shall be required in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Bonds may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor. Retainage will be as required by Ind. Code §36-1-12 et seq. A three (3) year Maintenance Bond in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the Contract Price shall be required upon completion of the Project.

All out-of-state entities must have a certificate of authority to do business in the State of Indiana.

Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Owner reserves the right to (1) cancel this solicitation pursuant to Ind. Code §5-22-18-2 and/or (2) reject any offers, in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when Owner determines in accordance with applicable Indiana laws including but not limited to Ind. Code §36-1-12-4, that such action is in the best interests of the Owner. Owner reserves the right to delay the opening of the Bids pursuant to Ind. Code §36-1-12-4. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Owner reserves the right to waive any of the terms, conditions or provisions contained in this Notice to Bidders or the Bid Documents or any informality, irregularity or omission in the bid process or in any Bid which waiver is deemed in the Owner's discretion to be to the advantage of the Owner and which does not afford any Bidder a material competitive advantage over other Bidders. Except as specifically otherwise provided herein and as allowed by applicable Indiana law, a contract for the Project shall be awarded in accordance with this Notice to Bidders, Ind. Code §5-16-13 et seq. and Ind. Code §36-1-12 et seq., to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder whose bid does not exceed the funds available for the Project. The Owner shall have the right to accept any Alternates in any order or combination or accept on the basis of the Base Bid alone, unless otherwise specifically provided in the Bidding Documents and to determine the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder on the basis of the sum of the Base Bid and Alternates accepted. Questions regarding this Project should be directed to Michael Krosschell by email only at krosschellm@weibe.net.

Carmel/Clay Board of Parks & Recreation Michael Klitzing, director R8102 6/15/26, 6/22/26



"The world needs ditch diggers too." - Stanley (like the power drill) Clamptitt, 1990

Public Notice Deadline: 4 p.m. Friday PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com

HAMILTON COUNTY

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

October 8, 2024
Hamilton County Commissioners
1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 157
Noblesville, Indiana 46060 (317)776-8493
These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Hamilton County Commissioners.
REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS
On or about July 21, 2026, the Hamilton County Commissioners, will submit a request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project currently known as Hamilton County Home Repair, for the purpose of conducting urgent and accessibility home repairs at various locations throughout Hamilton County, Indiana, for income-eligible households.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
The Hamilton County Commissioners have determined the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Noblesville Housing Authority office, located at 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, and may be examined or copied weekdays, 9:00A.M to 4:00P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Noblesville Housing Authority, 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, or via email to michelle@gonha.org. All comments received by July 21, 2026, will be considered by the Hamilton County Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION
The Hamilton County Commissioners certify to HUD that Mark Heirbrandt, in his capacity as President for the Commissioners of Hamilton County, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Hamilton County, Indiana to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Hamilton County Commissioner's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Hamilton County Commissioners; (b) the Commissioners have omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD, or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD-Community Planning and Development at 575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Suite 655, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Potential objectors should contact HUD/State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

R8143 6/22/26

SHERIDAN

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Hamilton County Commissioners
1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 157
Noblesville, Indiana 46060 (317)776-8493
These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Hamilton County Commissioners.
REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS
On or about July 21, 2026, the Hamilton County Commissioners, on behalf of HAND, Inc., may submit a request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as Spicewood Phase 4 for the purpose of acquisition of property located at 0 Basal Lane, in Sheridan, Indiana, for the development of up to six duplexes available to low- to moderate-income households.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
The Hamilton County Commissioners have determined the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Noblesville Housing Authority office, located at 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, and may be examined or copied weekdays, 9:00A.M to 4:00P.M.

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R8142 6/22/26

CARMEL

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

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1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 157
Noblesville, Indiana 46060 (317)776-8493
These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Hamilton County Commissioners.
REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS
On or about July 21, 2026, the Hamilton County Commissioners, will submit a request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project currently known as Aspire NEST Housing Development, for the purpose of acquiring land at 697 Pro Med Ln, Carmel, Indiana, for future development of a continuum of housing for clients coming out of homelessness.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
The Hamilton County Commissioners have determined the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Noblesville Housing Authority office, located at 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, and may be examined or copied weekdays, 9:00A.M to 4:00P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Noblesville Housing Authority, 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, or via email to michelle@gonha.org. All comments received by July 21, 2026, will be considered by the Hamilton County Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION
The Hamilton County Commissioners certify to HUD that Mark Heirbrandt, in his capacity as President for the Commissioners of Hamilton County, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Hamilton County, Indiana to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Hamilton County Commissioner's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Hamilton County Commissioners; (b) the Commissioners have omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD, or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD-Community Planning and Development at 575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Suite 655, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Potential objectors should contact HUD/State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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NOBLESVILLE

ORDINANCE NO. 23-05-26, AS AMENDED
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 71 AND 74 OF NOBLESVILLE CITY CODE FOR THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

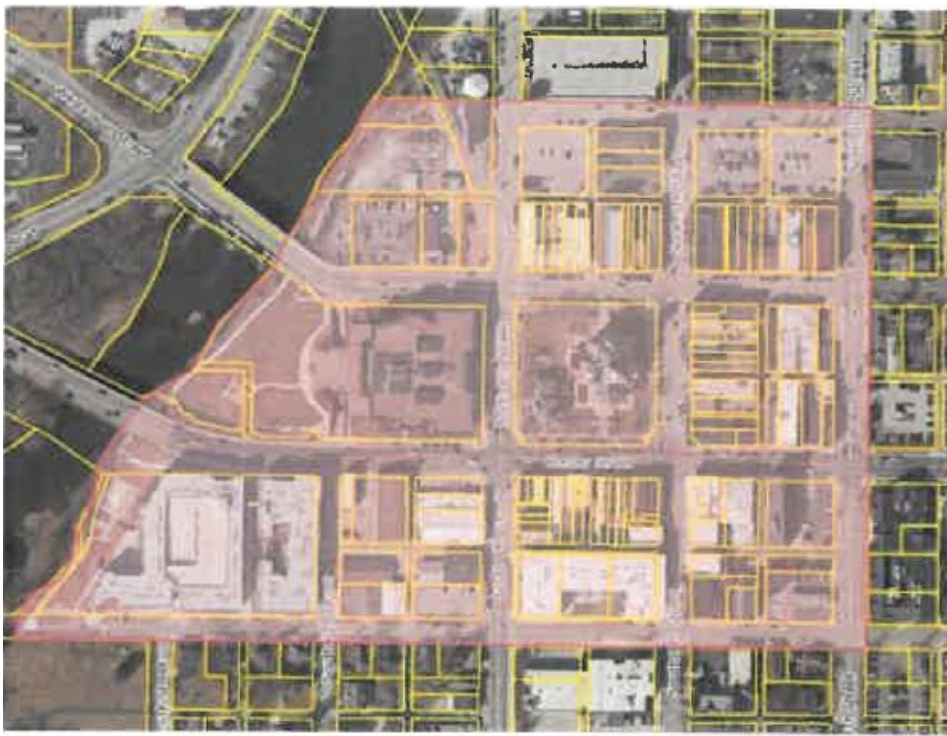
This is an ordinance (the "Ordinance") to amend Chapter 71 and Chapter 74 of Noblesville City Code for the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana, enacted by the City of Noblesville under authority granted by law.
WHEREAS, the City of Noblesville ("City") desires to provide safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation options for its residents, visitors, and trail users;
WHEREAS, the use of certain motorized devices such as e-motos, electric bicycles, electric scooters, and other micromobility devices has increased substantially;
WHEREAS, for the public's health and safety, it is essential to establish guidelines and regulations governing the operation of e-motos, electric bicycles, electric scooters, and other micromobility devices to provide for the safety of pedestrians, riders and users of the City's trails and sidewalks;
WHEREAS, the City desires to promote transportation options while giving consideration to conflicts between bicyclists, micromobility users, and pedestrians; and
WHEREAS, the City desires to implement a comprehensive ordinance for e-motos, electric bicycles, electric scooters, and other micromobility devices in the City.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana, as follows:
SECTION 1. The Noblesville Code of Ordinances ("Code") is hereby amended as set forth in this Ordinance. To track these revisions, the following parameters apply: original language in black text, deleted language in red-strike through, new language in black bold, and *** denotes text that is not amended and is a placeholder indicating that existing text before or between the stated text shall remain unchanged:
SECTION 2. Chapter 71 Traffic Rules, 71.47 Motorized Vehicles Prohibited from Using Trails and Sidewalks, of the Code is hereby amended as follows
(A) Motorized vehicles prohibited from operating, parking, or obstructing the use of public trails or sidewalks within rights-of-way or easements maintained, operated or located within by the city of shall include the following types:

(10) Bicycle-powered with engine or motor: Any bicycle equipped with a gas motor.
(11) E-motos (see § 74.01 for additional information)
(12) Any motorized piece of equipment or machinery***
(B) Also included in this section shall be any vehicle determined by a duly appointed officer of the police department to be operated or parked in a manner detrimental to the safety and well-being of pedestrians and bicyclists, and that restricts normal use of a trail or sidewalk.

(4) The use of trails, multi-use paths and walks by publicly owned emergency or maintenance vehicles is not restricted by the section this section or by Chapter 74 of the Noblesville Code or Ordinances.

SECTION 3. Chapter 74. Bicycles, of the Code is hereby amended as follows:
Chapter 74. Bicycles Micromobility
§ 74.01 Definitions
For the purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply: "Bicycle." Any foot-propelled vehicle propelled by human power only, irrespective of the number of wheels in contact with the ground (see IC 9-13-2-14).
"E-Bike." An electric bicycle equipped with an electric (or similar mechanical) motor that assists pedaling, classified into Class 1 (pedal-assist up to 20 MPH) (see IC 9-13-2-26.6), Class 2 (throttle-assisted up to 20 MPH) (see IC 9-13-2-26.7), Class 3 (pedal-assist up to 28MPH)(see IC 9-13-2-26.8). (Also known as Electric Bike).
"E-Moto." A device powered by electric or mechanical motor that typically features power exceeding 750 watts, no functional pedals, and can generate speed when powered solely by the motor of more than twenty (20) miles per hour or more. Examples of E-Motos include but are not limited to, electric dirt bikes, electric trikes, and electric motorcycles.
"E-Scoter." A wheeled device weighing not more than one hundred (100) pounds, designed to travel on not more than three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, that has handlebars, a floorboard designed to be stood upon, and an electric motor capable of propelling the device with or without additional user propulsion with a maximum speed of 20 MPH on a paved surface (see I.C. 9-13-2-49.4). Also known as Electric Foot Scooter or an Electric Scooter.
"Medical Mobility Device." Any aid, manual or powered, that helps individuals with impaired movement due to injury, disability, medical condition, or age to walk, balance, or move more independently and safely. This term includes canes, crutches, walkers, wheelchairs (manual and electric), motorized scooters, and other similar devices provided that such device does not pose a legitimate safety risk to other users in the reasonable judgment of the City.
"Micro-mobility Device." A small, lightweight vehicle operating at speeds below 20 miles per hour and driven by users personally. Micromobility devices include, but is not limited to, bicycles, scooters, E-Bikes, E-Motos, E-Scoters, electric skateboards, skateboards, rollerblades, and other personal transportation devices but does not include medical mobility devices, gas powered scooters, motorcycles, motor driven cycle, or mopeds.
"Multi-Use Trail." A paved or unpaved path designated for use by pedestrians, bicyclists, and other micromobility devices and anything that might generally be seen as a "sidewalk" but that is greater than six (6) feet in width.
"Sidewalk." The area adjacent to a street intended only for pedestrian use, typically made of concrete, that is less than six (6) feet in width.

§ 74.01 74.02 Effect of Regulations
(A) It is a misdemeanor an infraction for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in this chapter.
(B) The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit any such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this traffic code.
(C) These regulations applicable to bicycles micromobility devices shall apply whenever a bicycle micromobility device is operated upon any street, alley, or highway or upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles subject to those exceptions stated herein.
(D) The use of a medical mobility device for a verified and verifiable medical need and/or condition properly documented or otherwise proven is exempt from these rules and regulations, provided that the alleged use of such device is not posing a legitimate safety risk to other users in the reasonable judgment of the City.
§ 74.02 74.03 Traffic Ordinances Apply to Persons Using or Riding Bicycles
Micromobility Devices
Every person using or riding a bicycle micromobility device upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this traffic code except as to special regulations in this chapter and except as to those provisions of this traffic code which by their nature can have no application.
§74.0374.04 Riding on Bicycles Operation of Micromobility Devices
(A) No bicycle micromobility device shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed or equipped, except that an adult rider may carry a child securely attached to his person in a backpack or sling, or approved child seat.
(B) Additional operational rules
The operator of a micromobility device:
1. Shall obey all applicable traffic laws, signals, signs, and markings.
2. Shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at all times.
3. Shall pass pedestrians at a safe distance, providing a minimum of three (3) feet of clearance, and must yield until it is safe to pass.
4. Shall provide an audible warning (e.g. bell, horn, voice) when approaching pedestrians from behind.
5. Shall avoid sudden and erratic movements that could endanger others.
6. Shall give due regard to the safety of all vehicle and pedestrian traffic users, including those with visual, auditory, or mobility impairments.
7. Shall keep the micromobility device under directional, speed, and stopping control at all times.
8. Shall not operate in an irregular or reckless manner so as to disregard their own safety, others, or property.
9. Shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles on a street when entering a street.
10. Shall yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians when emerging from an alley, driveway, path, or building on all sidewalks.
11. E-motos are prohibited from operating on multi-use trails and sidewalks.
§74.0474.05 Riding on Sidewalks
(A) No person shall use or ride a bicycle or skateboard micromobility device upon a sidewalk within a zoned business district when such conduct shall constitute a hazard to the safety of pedestrians.
(B) The Police Chief An agent of the City is authorized to erect signs on any sidewalk or roadway prohibiting the using or riding of bicycles micromobility devices thereon by any person and when such signs are in place no person shall disobey the same.
(C) Required Dismount Zone
No person shall operate a micromobility device on any sidewalk or multi-use trail, excluding the Riverwalk, within the area bounded by 10th Street, Clinton Street, Maple Avenue, and the White River. The operator shall dismount from the device and walk through the area.



§ 74.05 74.06 Attaching Bicycles to Poles Parking Micromobility Devices
When a designated parking area is available, micromobility devices should be parked in that area. The micromobility device shall always be parked so it does not obstruct sidewalks, building entrances, or access for persons with disabilities. Devices shall also not be parked in such a manner that it damages public or private property. All locking devices shall not cause damage to public or private property and no locking device should be affixed to any street light or street sign at any time. Any person may park near, and secure a bicycle micromobility device secured to; any publicly owned pole or post that is not a streetlight or street sign for is limited to a period of not more than twelve (12) consecutive hours, unless an official traffic-control device or any applicable law or ordinance prohibits parking or securing bicycles at that location. No bicycle micromobility device shall be secured to any fire hydrant. No bicycle micromobility device shall be secured in any manner as to impede the normal and reasonable movement of pedestrian or other traffic.

SECTION 4. A new section 74.07 Safety Requirements is added to the Code as follows:
§ 74.07 Safety Requirements
(A) Operators of micromobility devices shall comply with the following safety requirements:
1. All riders under the age of eighteen (18) operating a micromobility device shall wear a properly fitted and fastened helmet.
2. Class 3 E-Bikes may not be operated by a person less than fifteen (15) years of age.
3. Operators of micromobility devices must not use cell phones or other electronic devices while operating the device, unless using a hands-free device.
4. Operators shall not attach the device or themselves to any moving vehicle by tow rope, hand grip, or otherwise.
5. Operators shall not tow any other vehicle or device upon the streets, sidewalks, park roads, or multi-use trails of the City unless the vehicle or device is manufactured for such use.
(B) Operators of E-Motos shall comply with the following additional safety requirements:
1. May be operated only on a roadway. Are not permitted on sidewalks or multi-use trails.
2. Operators must be at least fifteen (15) years of age.
3. Operators must carry an unexpired identification card issued by the State of Indiana or other state's department of motor vehicles.
4. The E-Moto shall be required to have the following safety equipment:
a. A single-beam or multiple-beam head lamp(s)
b. Turn signals
c. Mirrors
d. Rear Reflector
5. Operators must comply with all traffic rules and regulations
6. E-Motos must operate near the right-hand edge of the roadway unless passing another vehicle or preparing for a left-hand turn.

SECTION 5. A new section 74.08 Impoundment is added to the Code as follows:
§ 74.08 Impoundment
(A) Micromobility devices may be impounded for violations of this ordinance that are a detriment to public health and safety or upon a determination by an officer that a device constitutes an immediate hazard to the safety of the citizens or the flow of traffic.
(B) The Police Chief and his officers or designees are hereby authorized to move or cause to be moved and properly stored any micromobility device improperly parked or abandoned if the owner or operator of such device cannot be found after reasonable effort or refusal/failure to move such device.
(C) The owner of an impounded micromobility device, or a parent or legal guardian if the micromobility device is operated by a minor, shall be responsible for all impoundment and storage fees.

SECTION 6. A new section 75.06 Micromobility Violations is added to Chapter 75: VIOLATIONS as follows:
§ 75.06 Micromobility Violations
Any person who violates §74.01, 74.02, 74.02, 74.04, 74.05, 74.06, and/or 74.07 (including a legal guardian or adult of a minor whose minor violates any such section and who was knowingly aware of the operation or who otherwise failed to train such minor) is guilty of an infraction punishable by a financial penalty as set forth below. A citation may be issued by any sworn member of the Police Department or other designated City Enforcement Officers pursuant to §10.99(8) for any such violation. When a citation is being made to a minor child, the officer shall attempt to locate the minor child's parent, guardian, or custodian, and if unable to do so, may cite the minor child. The penalties that accrue are as follows:
(A) First Offense: Not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)
(B) Second Offense within 1 year: Not more than One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00)
(C) Third and Subsequent Offenses within 1 year of the immediately preceding offense: Not more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)
(D) Any subsequent offense not within one year of a prior offense shall be subject to a discretionary increase in fine as a repeat offender at the discretion of the City Court.
(E) Any repeat offenses may be subject to cost increases up to a total penalty of not more than \$2,500 for a first offense and up to \$7,500 for a subsequent offense if evidence is presented that said offender is a habitual or repeat offender regardless of whether the offense occurred within one year, but only if it is shown that the individual has three or more offenses.

SECTION 7. On the effective date of this Ordinance, the provisions of all other City ordinances in conflict with the provisions hereof, if any, are of no further force or effect and are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict or otherwise deemed to conform to the provisions of this Ordinance.
SECTION 8. If any part of this Ordinance shall be held as invalid, such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.
SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and upon its adoption by the Council, approval by the Mayor, and publication in accordance with law. Approved on this 9th day of June, 2026 by the Common Council of the City of Noblesville, Indiana:

- AYE:
Mark Boice
Evan Elliott
David M. Johnson
Darren Peterson
Pete Schwartz
Aaron Smith
Todd Thurston
Megan G. Wiles
Michael J. Davis

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Noblesville, Indiana this 9th day of June, 2026 at 7:01 P.M., Evelyn L. Lees, City Clerk
MAYOR'S APPROVAL:
Chris Jensen, Mayor 6-9-26

ATTEST: Evelyn L. Lees, City Clerk

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Public Notice Deadline:
4 p.m. Friday
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