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KINDNESS

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1. Look for the best in others.
2. Dream big and believe in yourself.
3. Choose positive influences and be a positive influence.
4. Speak with kindness.
5. Start your own chain

reaction of kindness.

JB closed the convocation with the message that each person has the ability to make a difference. He reminded students that they cannot control what others say or do, but they can control how they respond and how they choose to show up for others.

Through Rachel's Challenge and JB, SHS students were encouraged to begin that chain reaction of kindness.



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BUDDIES

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Praying Guy hangs out beside Jesus, which I believe is a picture of how things really work in life. Fellow columnist, friend, and recent birthday gal Jan Hart Leonard gave Praying Guy to me a couple of years ago. He's also blue, which I don't think is a mere coincidence.

Praying Guy's role is to remind me of what to do when I'm having "one of those days." To lift me up when I hit another brick wall on my author journey. And to remind me of the first thing I need to do when something good happens in my life.

The Heart That Changed My Life reads "Trust in the Lord with all your heart." I've had this on my desk for years. One morning in 2021, I found it sitting on my keyboard when I was struggling to make a major decision about how to publish a book. I never found out how the heart moved to that spot, but as soon as I saw it, I immediately knew the correct path for publication.

If you work in an office, who are your "desk buddies"? What can you put on your desk to help lift you up, motivate you, and increase your productivity? If

you don't have a desk, maybe you can have a locker or cubby buddy.

Our surroundings at work make all the difference. There was a time in my life when I worked in a dark, windowless office. I thank God often for windows letting in sunlight, plants to bring in a bit of nature, art, and most of all, my desk buddies.

Amy Shankland is an empty-nester, writer, and fundraising professional living in Noblesville with her husband John and two dogs. You can reach her via email at amys@greenavenue.info.



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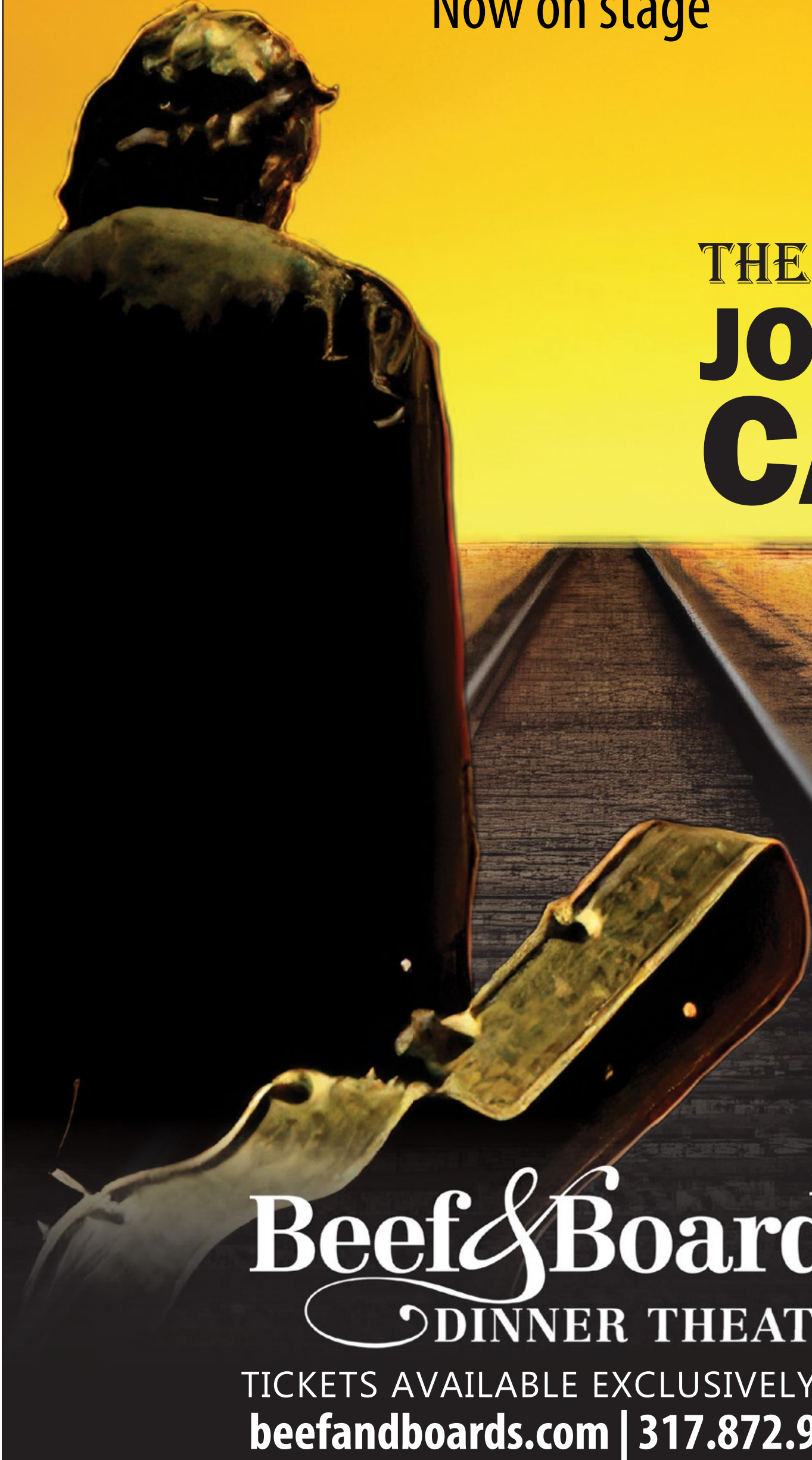
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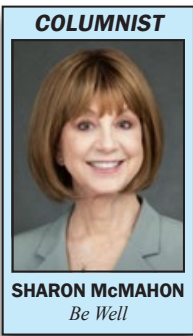
*“You think those dogs will not be in heaven! I tell you they will be there long before any of us!”
— Robert Louis Stevenson, Scottish author*

This is not the column I originally planned for today. But then, as we all know, plans can change as they did this past week.

After a summer of concern over our little dog, “Miss Blue,” we came to the conclusion that our responsibility to her was to make her journey to the Rainbow Bridge as smooth as possible. This was not, as always, easy to decide or easy to do, although for the best for her.

Blue was just about 11 years of age. She was a rescue six years ago, and had a very difficult life before she became our family member. I have had the privilege of being a “dog mom” several times over the years, and I do believe that Blue was our sweetest dog ever. She was, I must admit, rather lazy but that just added to her charm! She was well-behaved, loved her walks, was terrified of storms, and really loved to eat! A special girl who packed her bags for the Bridge and off she went.

Blue’s issue was a brain tumor. For a person there is usually a good chance for



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surgery to correct the situation, but not so much in the case of canines, or other animals as well. A veterinarian will usually rely on the perspective of the pet’s owner and what symptoms are be-

ing displayed. From there, the specific prognosis cannot be shared without an MRI or a CT scan in most instances. This can make it difficult for the pet owner who is witnessing these changes to make decisions on how to best go forward with any treatment or possibility of a treatment. Most veterinarians will provide options on possible prognoses and corresponding treatments if any are available.

As we all understand, the communication from our pets is limited as they cannot tell us verbally when they are in pain or discomfort. When we know our pets well, we often sense when things are not as they should be, or have been, and we can follow up with our veterinary staff. It is a good idea to be consistent with the same professional staff as they get to know your pet and how best to determine any health issues. One thing that most veterinarians agree on is do not allow your pet to die a “natural death” as you do not know their level of pain and it can

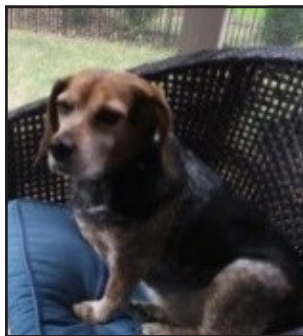


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Rest In Peace, Miss Blue.

be very disturbing for them and for you as well.

That last visit to the clinic is a difficult one that many of you have faced and is a most loving and caring tribute to your special friend and family member. If you wish to obtain your pet’s ashes or a paw print, most veterinary staffs can help you with that.

We love them, care for them, play with them, and mourn them when they leave our homes for the Rainbow Bridge. It is good to know that Blue is frolicking there with so many others!

Sharon McMahon, AKA Blue’s “Dog Mom”

The opinions expressed in this column are not intended to replace advice of your personal veterinarian or licensed health professional.

Step Out Walk to end diabetes to take place at Grand Park

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On Saturday, Sept. 19, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) will hold its signature fundraising event to raise awareness, connect communities, and strengthen critical support for individuals and families impacted by diabetes.

Step Out Walk: Indiana will bring together

the diabetes community, volunteers, and advocates for a meaningful walk welcoming people of all ages and abilities. The walk will take place at Droplight Grand Park, 19000 Grand Park Blvd., Westfield. Check-in runs from 7:30 to 9 a.m.

Registration is free. Participants can register,

start or join a team, and fundraise at stepout.diabetes.org/750.

Step Out Walk benefits diabetes research, education, management, and prevention, supporting the ADA’s mission to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes.

A \$2 million investment in older foster youth is worth celebrating. Now Congress must build on it.

Last month, Indiana received some very good news.

At the White House, First Lady Melania Trump announced that FOX Sports and IndyCar are contributing \$2 million in scholarships for Indiana University and Purdue University students who have experienced foster care. The two universities also joined the First Lady’s Fostering the Future initiative, a national effort to expand educational opportunities for young adults transitioning out of foster care.

That investment deserves to be celebrated. For young people who leave foster care without the financial safety net many of their peers rely on, a scholarship can be the difference between enrolling in college and putting that dream on hold. It can mean fewer hours working while taking classes, greater housing stability, and one less financial obstacle standing between a student and their degree.

FOX Sports and IndyCar are making a meaningful investment in the futures of young Hoosiers. Now, Congress has an opportunity to build on that momentum.

Earlier this year, the U.S. House of Representatives unanimously passed the **Fostering the Future Act**, a bipartisan package of six proposals aimed at modernizing the federal **John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful**



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MAGGIE STEVENS

Transition to Adulthood. The program provides states with resources to help young people who have experienced foster care navigate the transition into adulthood. The legislation was referred to the Senate Finance Committee in May and is awaiting further action.

Indiana lawmakers have helped these measures, and other related legislation move forward, especially Rep. Rudy Yakym (R-Ind.-02) and Rep. Erin Houchin (R-Ind.-09).

These reforms are long overdue.

Among other changes, the legislation would make it easier for young people to access housing support, legal services, and assistance as expectant or parenting young adults. And importantly, it would modernize the **Education and Training Voucher (ETV) program** which helps young people who have experienced foster care pursue education after high school.

Two of the proposed changes to the ETV program could be particularly important for Indiana’s older foster youth pursuing their post-high school dreams.

The first recognizes that a college degree is not the only path to a successful career. The legislation would expand ETV eligibility to include more workforce and vocational training opportunities, including apprenticeships, career and technical

education, GED programs, and other short-term training.

The second would increase the maximum annual ETV award from \$5,000 to \$12,000. The current cap has not increased since the program was created more than two decades ago, even as tuition, housing, transportation, and other costs have climbed dramatically.

At Foster Success, we see what happens when young people have access to the right resources at the right time. They enroll in college. They earn credentials. They begin careers. They find stable housing. They build relationships and communities. Most importantly, they gain the opportunity to make decisions about their futures based on their goals rather than on which basic need they can afford that month.

The \$2 million investment announced at the White House will create opportunities for young people attending two of Indiana’s great universities. We should celebrate it, thank FOX Sports and IndyCar for making it possible, and hope it inspires other businesses and institutions to invest in young people who have experienced foster care.

But we should also recognize what it represents: a first step, not the last. Now, it’s up to the Senate to build off this progress.

Dr. Maggie Stevens, of Indianapolis, is the President & CEO of Foster Success. More information about Foster Success can be found at fostersuccess.org.

The Shepherd shops at Walmart

God is so clever, so loving, and living among us, just in a different way than we might think!

Earlier this year I decided to remain in bed a bit longer than usual, watching the weather forecast, sipping coffee, and saying extra prayers for Maundy Thursday.

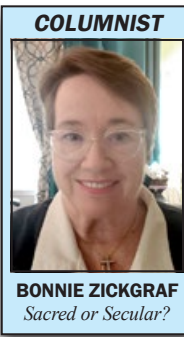
I was quite proud of myself, too, ordering a grocery delivery from Walmart, and all just by using my cell phone from bed (and not from my laptop as I typically do).

Wow, at age 72, does this make me officially “tech-savvy” like the younger generation now? Many “youngsters” no longer use a laptop and do everything only on cell phones anymore.

I must share my concerns here about the price of groceries these days, though. They’re insanely expensive! Seems every time I shop, prices are always a bit higher than the week before and they surely never get cheaper overall even with coupons.

I used to work myself into a frenzy over groceries, perhaps due to the adjustment of retirement with a fixed income. God and I had many chats together over this worry and anxiety, until I realized I had much more than many other people around the world and my community. God teaches us humility and thankfulness when we need it.

Finally, I got out of bed



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Sacred or Secular?

and into the living room, greeted by my Bible that looked like what you can see in the photo at right.

The rubber band heart focused on Proverbs 11:9: “*Better to be an ordinary person with a servant than to be self-important but have no food.*”

I sent this photo to a select few friends as they were the ones that previously received a recent article I wrote about the importance of “names” and the humility necessary to avoid self-pride. I used myself as a real-life example in that article and assigned myself a goal to be more grateful the rest of this week leading into Easter.

I asked God for forgiveness and for release of my pride, too.

As I re-read the Proverb, I joked with one of my friends that maybe God was shopping for my groceries this morning at Walmart.

Perhaps now I am more ordinary than last week, less self-important, less proud, more thankful. And less worried and panicky about the cost of food. God has been exceedingly kind and loving to me. It took a while for me to truly realize in my heart that God has always shared his bounty and grace!

Turning to fix a bit of breakfast, I opened the fridge and realized I had more than enough milk. What was I thinking? Why did I just order more from Walmart? A few minutes lat-

er, I received a push notification to “accept” or “decline” a substitution my order. I clicked the link and, of all things, the half-gallon of milk I ordered was being substituted by the shopper. Of all things! Seriously? Of course, I declined the milk. It’s not just Alexa who hears us. God does, too!

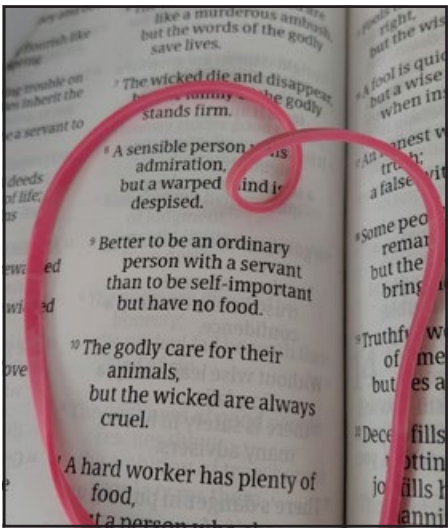
So ... it gets better! I received the next notice that “Samuel” would be delivering the groceries at 11:11 a.m. 11:11! This number has always been a deeply spiritual number for me signifying connection with the Divine and new spiritual growth.

This verified it! God definitely had his hand in all this, too. Too many variables to be a coincidence. Walmart has a two-hour delivery window. Why exactly at 11:11? And Samuel was right on time!

(Samuel, by the way, was a leader in Israel and a prophet after God’s call and a judge who anointed Kings. Now that’s some delivery driver!)

I shared this latest information with my friend thinking surely, she would think I’m totally mad. Then she sent the photo seen above.

This Sister-in-Christ shared the same meaning with her 11:11 bracelet!



Photos provided by Bonnie Zickgraf



We don’t have a “servant” as we might think of from historical times.

But we do have a shepherd that shops at Walmart.

And He especially shops within the corners of our hearts!

He is here and reaches to meet us right where we are.

Call me ordinary, call me weak, call me a lover of Christ! 11:11!

Rev. Bonnie Zickgraf is a retired pastor, registered nurse, electroplater, and podcaster. She continues to serve various preschool, youth, and adult ministries, including the Nurses’ Honor Guard for the State of Indiana. She loves to laugh, write, eat, and pray! Send comments to bonniezickgraf@gmail.com.

Rep. Spartz seeks independent federal review of Indiana data centers & LEAP

Submitted by Office of U.S. Rep. Victoria Spartz

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-05) sent a letter to U.S. Department of Energy Secretary Chris Wright and U.S. Department of the Interior Secretary Doug Burgum requesting an independent federal review of the rapidly expanding LEAP Research and Innovation District and other major data-center projects across Indiana, raising concerns about energy generation, grid reliability, transmission costs, water resources, and who ultimately pays.

“For two years, I have been raising concerns about the massive energy and infrastructure demands of data centers, as well as the significant water demands of the LEAP district,” Rep. Spartz said. “Based on my numerous recent town halls, Hoosiers are increasingly concerned and deserve clear answers about who is paying for what. I support bringing advanced manufacturing and strategic industries to Indiana, but

Hoosier families, farmers, small businesses, and existing industries should not be forced to subsidize extraordinary private projects.”

In February, Meta announced a more than \$10 billion LEAP campus with 10 planned data centers and approximately 1 gigawatt (GW) of capacity. MISO planning documents estimate total LEAP demand at approximately 1,200 megawatts (1.2 GW), with hundreds of millions of dollars in transmission infrastructure already identified.

At the same time, federal reliability warnings are escalating. The U.S. Department of Energy reported that MISO was reclassified from “elevated risk” to “high risk” for 2028 to 2031 and is now using emergency authority to preserve existing generation. MISO has also identified new transmission violations and worsened reliability issues resulting from ad-

ditional LEAP load, requiring major corrective projects across multiple Indiana utility systems and raising concerns about the risk of blackouts as electricity demand continues to grow.

In June, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) preliminarily found that MISO lacks adequate protections against shifting large-load transmission costs to other customers, potentially resulting in “unjust and unreasonable rates.” FERC also raised concerns about inadequate transparency surrounding required transmission upgrades, their costs, and cost allocation.

Spartz’s letter further raises concerns about significant loopholes in transparency and oversight created by Indiana laws during LEAP’s development, as well as plans to supply up to 25 million gallons of water per day to Lebanon and LEAP from the White River

watershed.

Spartz is requesting a full accounting of how much energy and water these projects will require, what new generation and infrastructure must be built, how much it will cost, who is responsible for those costs, and what enforceable protections exist to prevent Hoosier consumers and taxpayers from being left with the bill.

“We cannot retire firm generation, add massive new loads, spend hundreds of millions on infrastructure, and then leave Hoosiers guessing who will pay for it,” Spartz said. “We must ensure Hoosiers are not left paying higher utility bills while facing increased risks of blackouts. Hoosiers deserve substantiated answers before these commitments are made.”

The requested review would extend beyond LEAP to examine the cumulative effects of major data-center projects involving Google, Amazon, Meta, and other developers across Indiana.

[Click here](#) to read the full letter.



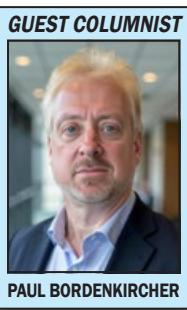
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EV & hybrid drivers also want relief during gas tax suspension

Hoosier motorists across the state have been receiving relief at the pump since May due to the ongoing suspension of gas taxes. Unfortunately, electric vehicle and hybrid owners aren’t getting any reprieve despite paying more to own the vehicles they drive.

In Indiana, EV and hybrid owners pay a mandatory supplemental registration fee – \$242 each year for EVs and \$81 for hybrids – in place of paying traditional state gasoline taxes. These additional registration fees were established specifically to ensure alternative-fuel drivers contribute their share toward maintaining state roads and transportation infrastructure.

While drivers of gas-powered vehicles are experiencing an extended break from state fuel taxes, clean vehicle drivers are still required to pay their full annual registration surcharge. This creates an inequitable burden, leaving Hoosiers who are making environmentally conscious trans-



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portation choices as the only motorists continuously paying their full share toward road funding during this tax holiday.

Many EV owners are also experiencing increased charging costs because electricity rates continue to increase for Hoosiers across the state.

Tax fairness should apply to all residents equally. The gas tax has been suspended for almost six months. Gov. Mike Braun and state leaders should consider providing a proportional refund or discount on EV and hybrid registration fees to reflect the relief offered to other drivers.

The Hoosier Electric Vehicle Association supports fair and sustainable funding for Indiana’s roads. Extending equitable relief to electric and hybrid vehicle drivers is a common-sense step to ensure all Indiana motorists are treated fairly.

Paul Bordenkircher serves as the president of the Hoosier Electric Vehicle Association.

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Somebody put booze in their liquor ... for charity!

Carmel Fire Auxiliary's Roaring '20s Bootleggers Bingo Bash was the bee's knees on Saturday, Sept. 5. Dames were dolled up and Daddy-Os got all spiffy in their dapper duds for this swanky night of fundraising fun. The joint was jumping from the speakeasy in the S.A.F.E House all the way to the dining hall all night long. The Fire Auxiliary raised a ton of dough, \$70,294, in fact, to support the Carmel Fire Auxiliary Community Assistance Program for holiday meals, clothes, and gifts for local families in need. (Reporter photos & photos provided by Renee Butts)



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Hamilton County Councilman Mark Hall’s August Timesheet

Welcome to The Timesheet. This column is a report of work done on behalf of the people of Hamilton County. It’s to be informative, too – a place to learn about projects and how our county government works.

As your employee, it’s important to me that you know what is being worked on as transparently as possible in county government. You hired me as your County Councilman, and my hope is that you will choose to be informed by regularly reading this column, getting involved, considering volunteering, and by asking questions.

Council meetings are at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center in downtown Noblesville. Meetings are also available to watch online for those unable to attend in person.

Here is where my time this past month has been spent.

In addition to the County Council public meetings, August work included: watching Board of Commissioners meetings, Noblesville and Cicero Council public meetings, several department 2027 budget review meetings, a three-hour department by department budget review meeting with the Auditor and his staff, two benefits insurance renewal meetings, a not-for-profits grant review committee meeting and a Redevelopment Commission meeting.

The August in-person Personnel Committee meeting was canceled. The Finance Committee did not meet in August. The insurance committee met in August with our benefits consultant NFP to review proposed changes to the 2027 employee benefits and a follow up meeting late in August to discuss final changes for 2027 regarding employees Pharmacy Ben-



efits Manager options. Worth noting, quoted health insurance increases for county employees were for an 8 percent increase. After changing the benefits manager for 2027, we expect to save a little north of \$1 million. Budgeted employee health insurance cost projections for 2027 are \$30 million.

During August I received over 40 constituent service requests and communications. This column doesn’t allow space to describe all the calls, messages, and texts from folks that were impacted by the floods. Please allow me grace as I summarize dozens of interactions into three primary areas. Questions about immediate needs (food, shelter, pets), communications about short term issues (homes, mitigation and remediation) and lastly messages about the long-term issues (recovery, FEMA, county, state of Indiana and federal benefits). I did the best I could by responding in a timely fashion to direct folks and connect them to the right people and places to get to a safe place, to begin the cleanup, and to begin their recovery journeys.

Unfortunately, many lost most of what they had. Fortunately, and amazingly, no immediate lives were lost. Leave it to be said that we witnessed the very best of Hamilton County. Neighbors jumped in to help others, public safety officials worked tirelessly risking their lives to save others and the compassion and humanity of people with no agenda other than helping, won the day.

A neighbor wrote to me about the road conditions on Carrigan Road between Little Chicago and Hague roads. This one was already on the radar and after a few communications with the County Highway department a bid was awarded this

month to repair the road. I have continued communication and support for a constituent who has a pond adversely affected by a new M/I Homes edition on the east side of Little Chicago Road. In short, retention pond creation in the new addition has adversely affected the water levels and water quality in his pond. Through numerous communications back and forth with the City of Noblesville planning department, M/I Homes local leadership, the homeowner and Hamilton County Planning, some progress has been made but the situation has not been fully remedied.

I received a follow up communication from a constituent regarding the county’s health insurance and PBM, Pharmacy Benefits Manager regarding their public records requests for the insurance committee meeting notes. I have reached out to the county attorney and made inquiry as to why the request remains open. Essentially, all county offices are in 2027 budget preparation and add to that the absence of two paralegals, whose responsibility it is to fulfill these requests, has caused delays in getting the information out to the constituent.

Of special note this month was attending the Koteewi Archery facility groundbreaking ceremony. This new world class facility will host some of the world’s finest archers in regional and national competitions.

It was an honor to represent you at the OneZone Commerce Voices of Leadership Luncheon listening to all four candidates for Secretary of State explain their visions for running that office.

Additionally, I confirmed that the County Regional Utility District has prepared their plan for reimbursement of affected Jackson Township homeowners who choose to maintain their private septic systems by having them tested. The RDC allocated funds for

this program last year and as the Utility District moves services into Jackson Township impacted homeowners need this solution implemented by 2027 as the project moves forward.

Lastly, as is my custom, I spent what seems to be countless hours with my copy of the 2027 Hamilton County budget book. Official meetings occur in early September, but to do the job well, studying the book repeatedly is what’s required to be able to discuss each department’s requests with the department heads as they ask your council to approve their 2027 budget. The binder is hundreds of pages long, full of budget requests that are submitted by all the departments. As is my practice, I’ll read each budget submittal and then spend half a day in the Auditor’s Office reviewing the details behind each department’s budget. Items over \$100,000 require detailed review.

It takes a great deal of time to get through it all, but it prepares me for the budget hearings and separating department needs from wants.

This is my timesheet. This is where my time went during August 2026. While my job is primarily the financial oversight of the county budget, it is important that I understand the Board of Commissioners’ priorities and balance them with the stewardship of taxpayer dollars. That is the job, and I am excited to do the people’s business.

As a taxpayer myself, and listening to so many of you, our employers, it’s important for the taxpayers to have access to all the information you want. I work for you, and although you may not choose to do a deep dive into what your County Council does, it’s important that you can always do so.

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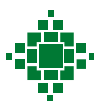
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Eleven artists invite you to new Ninth Street Art Hop coming up in Downtown Noblesville

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Want to experience an art show in a whole new way? Eleven well-known Noblesville artists who just happen to live or work close to each other are joining forces to put on a neighborhood “Art Hop” scheduled for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 along Ninth Street.

This family-friendly event is free and attendees will be given a map at their first stop of choice so they can visit some or all of the locations, which are either the homes or studios of the artists. Those who visit all 11 locations will be entered in a drawing to receive a free framed print or original artwork donated by each artist.

The artists participating are: J. Rodney Reveal, H. Ward Miles, Randall Scott Harden, Jamie Harden, Beth Forst, Clive Jachnik, Amanda Russo, Patty Mac Innis, Dan Howell, Marissa Hulvey, and Joanie Drizin. Parking will be available on the street or in the City-County Parking Garage on North 9th Street.

Noble Coffee & Tea will offer a special art-themed drink during the Art Hop. Want to know more about the artists? Below is a short bit about each of them.

Meet the Artists

Stop #1:

Marissa Hulvey
901 N. 10th St.

Marissa Hulvey is the photographer behind Furtography Studio, where her passion for art and animals comes together in bright, colorful pet portraits. Specializing in capturing the unique personalities that make every pet special, Marissa creates vibrant works of art that become a lasting celebration of the bond between people & their beloved pets.

Stop #2: Beth Forst
895 Center Drive

“I am a painter of oils and acrylics. I am inspired by an impulse to play with an idea, a thought. Sometimes it’s an energetic morsel of a feeling. The process of making art is rewarding

as I design, block in the shapes, push and pull the paint about. I frivolously layer and re-layer, then contemplate the outcome until it sings sweetly. The result is a luxurious conversation that usually generates a feel-good emotion from within me. You can feel the joie de vivre in my palette, showing clarity in design and energy in loose, impressionistic brushstrokes.”

Stop #2: Clive Jachnik
895 Center Drive
(Forst & Jachnik are sharing a location)

A British artist, now a U.S. citizen, Clive is a follower of the ‘Scottish Colourist’ tradition, using bold color and free brush strokes in an impressionistic style. A veteran of the UK Royal Navy, Clive’s peace-keeping services as a diplomat features regularly in his paintings. Therefore, as well as decorative landscapes and still life paintings, Clive’s artwork also shows the journey of countries, communities, and individuals recovering from war. Clive received the Best in Show awards at Penrod in Indianapolis in 2023 and at Ethos in Franklin in 2026.

Stop #3:
Randall Scott Harden
895 N. 10th St.

Through expressive brushstrokes and rich color, Randall Harden creates impressionist paintings that invite the viewers to slow down and enjoy the beauty around them. He is passionate about inspiring others through both his artwork and his teaching.

Stop #3: Jamie Harden
895 N. 10th St
(The Hardens are sharing a location)

Retired after 36 years as an elementary teacher, Jamie Harden turned to painting to keep her mind active and engaged. Guided by her husband, acclaimed artist Randall Scott Harden, what began as a personal pursuit has become a passion for painting beauty, joy, and everyday life. This exhibition marks Jamie’s debut and



Photos provided

(From left) Clive Jachnik, Rodney Reveal, and Heather Ward Miles are three of the artists you can meet at the upcoming Ninth Street Art Hop in Noblesville.

the start of an exciting new chapter.

Stop #4: H. Ward Miles
707 N. 9th St.

Heather is an American and contemporary painter based in Indiana whose work is shaped by her ability to connect to the human experience. Heavily influenced by traditional abstract expressionism, Miles’ paintings rely on less tangible forms of communication, evoking joy and sometimes sorrow through organic shapes, unexpected colors, and translucent layers. Her personal mark making and scribbled notes create a visual language that lets her audience in on her secrets and connects the past to the present, while tapping into a universal portrayal of what it means to be human.

Stop #5:
Patty Mac Innis
647 N. 9th St.

Patty and her husband Dan owned and operated Mac Innis Construction & Design Corp. in Noblesville for 44 years where Patty was the senior interior

designer and Dan ran the building side. During that time, Patty always painted in watercolor and oil and has been a member of the Hamilton County Artists’ Association for over 50 years, now an emeritus member. She’s also a signature member of the Hoosier Salon and is grateful for all of the amazing artists and clients she’s gotten to know over the years.

Stop #6:
J. Rodney Reveal
569 N. 9th St.

J. Rodney Reveal has been a creator of fine art for more than 50 years. His paintings are represented in public and private collections throughout the United States, Europe, and Brazil. He has been in more than a dozen national and international shows.

Stop #7: Amanda Russo
540 N. 9th St.

Amanda Russo creates expressive portraits, figures, florals, and landscapes unified by a distinctive sense of mood and atmosphere. Working primarily in pastel, charcoal, and graphite,

with occasional explorations in oil, she balances realism with atmosphere, using dramatic contrasts of light and shadow to capture not only the appearance of a subject, but also the emotion and story held within a fleeting moment in time. Drawing from 20 years of experience as an art educator, Amanda brings a deep appreciation for creativity, observation, self-expression, and artistic exploration to both her studio practice and her teaching.

Stop #8: Dan Howell
303 Parkview Place

Dan Howell graduated from Ball State University with an art teaching degree. He started teaching art at Huntington North High School in 1970, took a year’s leave to study and work in Paris, France in 1972. He retired from North Central High School in Indianapolis in 2013 where he taught ceramics and sculpture. He opened his own studio in Noblesville where he creates functional and sculptural ceramics. He also spends time traveling, gar-

dening, and creating stone sculptures.

Stop #9: Noble Coffee & Tea
933 Logan St.

Although not an official “Art Hop” stop, they are offering a special Art Hop beverage. Stop in.

Stop #10: Rodney Reveal Art Gallery & Frame Shop
942 Maple Ave.

See more of J. Rodney Reveal’s artwork at his own gallery and framing shop. He features several other local artists, including the bronze sculpture of “Illumination” (a dancer) in front of his shop by Kenneth Ryden, pottery by Darlene Patterson, and wood carvings by Debbie Wofford.

Stop #11: Girly Steel Studio
336 S. 8th St.

Girly Steel with Joanie, and later joined by Josh, was started more than 20 years ago. The mother/son team now combine their backgrounds in art and botany to create steel sculptures for the landscape.

Pence Media Group founder Nicole Pence Becker named to Ragan’s Top Women in Marketing List

The REPORTER

Nicole Pence Becker, Owner and Operator of Pence Media Group (PMG), was recently named to Ragan’s Top Women in Marketing Awards, Class of 2026. Women are named to the Awards for their leadership, ideas



Pence Becker

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“I am incredibly humbled and honored to be recognized as part of Ragan’s 2026 Class of Top Women in Marketing,” Pence Becker said. “This year’s honorees represent organizations and agencies across industries bringing fresh ideas to brand strategy, content, digital experiences, audience engagement and more, while building stronger teams and mentoring emerging talent along the way. That’s something I try to live out every day and this recognition belongs to the whole PMG team as much as it does to me.”

Pence Becker will be honored with the 2026 Class at the Top Women in Marketing Awards Luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Yale Club in New York City. The luncheon gives honor-

ees the opportunity to share their achievements with colleagues, clients, mentors, family members, and friends who have supported their success. Guests will also connect with respected marketing leaders from leading brands, agencies and organizations while celebrating the accomplishments and influence of this year’s honoree class.

“Being named to the Class of 2026 is a meaningful recognition of the leadership, judgment and impact these women bring to marketing,” said Brendan Gannon, Director of Marketing at Ragan Communications. “We are proud to honor Nicole Pence Becker and look forward to celebrating her alongside the colleagues, loved ones and supporters who helped make this achievement possible.”

Pence Media Group (PMG) is a full-service public relations, branding, digital and marketing consultancy working with public, private and nonprofit clients. Nicole Pence Becker established PMG in 2017, which has

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Public, private & community partners unite to support Indiana’s disaster response & recovery

The REPORTER

When severe weather struck multiple Indiana counties in mid-August, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, businesses, government agencies, individuals, United Ways, community foundations and other philanthropic organizations responded quickly.

In fact, Lilly Endowment Inc. provided \$1 million grants to both the Salvation Army and the American Red Cross to help meet immediate housing, medical, food, and other needs.

Now, a \$25 million grant from Lilly Endowment to support the Indiana Natural Disaster (IND) Fund at Indiana United Ways (IUW) will help communities move from immediate response into the much longer work of recovery. Lilly Endowment provided funding for IUW to establish the IND Fund after the widespread flooding of 2008. Since its establishment, the IND Fund has responded to dozens of tornadoes, floods, and other disasters in Indiana by providing grants to affected counties for both immediate response and long-term recovery needs.

The IND Fund enables IUW’s member United Ways to access funding for qualifying emergencies and natural disasters. Immediately after a disaster, funds can help secure safe shelter, food, medicine and medical supplies, and essential transportation.

During long-term recovery, the IND Fund can fill gaps that remain after insurance, government assistance, donations, and other resources have been ex-

hausted. Funding can also support case managers who are critical in helping survivors navigate disaster recovery systems and contribute to home repair and rebuilding.

“When disasters land on our doorsteps, the response has to be collaborative and coordinated,” IUW President and CEO Michael Budd said. “Every sector has a role in helping people get what they need immediately and in supporting recovery and rebuilding in the months and sometimes years that follow. I cannot say enough about the generosity of the organizations that have stepped up to help. Companies have contributed food, water, cleaning supplies, transportation vouchers, and housing among other things. In addition, Lilly Endowment continues to demonstrate its deep commitment to Indiana by supporting long-term recovery.”

Emergency housing support

A great example of these contributions is from Airbnb.org. IUW is partnering with Airbnb.org, a nonprofit founded by Airbnb to provide emergency housing in times of crisis, to offer free temporary housing to residents displaced by the Aug. 11 storms and flooding in Indiana. Airbnb.org is providing temporary housing to qualifying Hoosiers displaced by the storms who are referred to IUW through local United Ways, the American Red Cross, or the Indiana Housing and Community

Development Authority. All stays are free for guests and are funded by Airbnb.org.

By working with Airbnb.org, IUW has access to a large network of Airbnb listings in and around the impacted areas. This partnership makes it easier to quickly connect people with free temporary housing while they start rebuilding their lives. The program is being provided in coordination with other available housing supports, so individuals and families can be referred to IUW when this option is best suited for their situation.

“The recovery process will be a long road for many families impacted by the recent storms and flooding,” Indiana House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) said. “I’m grateful to Lilly Endowment and Indiana United Ways for their continued commitment to helping Hoosiers recover and rebuild, and to partners like Airbnb.org that are stepping up to provide critical resources and support during this difficult time.”

IND Fund supports coordinated response

“In recent weeks, we have seen the Hoosier spirit in action through the generosity of countless individuals as portions of our state



Huston

continue to recover from the unprecedented severe weather last month,” Indiana Senate President Pro Tem Rodric Bray said. “Lilly Endowment and Indiana United Ways have worked hard to ensure Hoosiers are taken care of in their time of need, and this support for the Indiana Natural Disaster Fund is an example of how great things can come through collaboration.”

The IND Fund’s review committee brings together disaster response and recovery experts from organizations including American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, Catholic Charities, Indiana Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (Indiana VOAD), and Indiana Department of Homeland Security. Together, they share information from the community, county, state, and federal levels and make recommendations about assistance. Most recently, the committee voted to provide \$1.2 million across four United Ways: Heart of Indiana United Way, United Way of Franklin & Ripley Counties, United Way of Whitewater Valley, and United Way of Northwest Indiana. Depending on local needs, these United Ways have already helped house people, provided food and charging stations, coordinated volunteers, and begun case management.



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Indiana United Ways

Those initial awards are only a starting point. Lilly Endowment’s \$25 million contribution to the IND Fund will help Hoosiers recover and rebuild. As damage assessments and case management provide a clearer picture of long-term needs, local United Ways can request additional IND Fund support and work with other nonprofits and organizations to coordinate resources, identify and address needs that remain after other assistance has been exhausted, and connect people with resources.

The award from Lilly Endowment to IUW is also strengthening disaster response infrastructure: IUW has collaborated with vendor Visionlink to create a comprehensive case management portal – set to launch in the coming days. A volunteer management portal is also being developed.

“Indiana is very fortunate to have these funds from Lilly Endowment available through Indiana United Ways,” said Jane Crady, Coordinator of Catholic Charities Disaster Response and Chair of Indiana VOAD. “Without them

many of our most vulnerable survivors would not be able to recover from these historic floods.”

“Recovery does not end when the debris is cleared or the immediate crisis has passed,” Budd added. “Our member United Ways will remain in these communities, working alongside partners from every sector. That coordination demonstrates the unique value United Ways bring to their communities. Support from Lilly Endowment enables us to stay with that work for as long as recovery takes while also helping Indiana be better prepared for widespread disasters in the future.”

Accessing immediate assistance

Those in need of immediate assistance should reach out to American Red Cross (1-800-REDCROSS) or call Indiana 211 by dialing 2-1-1 or texting IN-211HELP to 898-211, the state’s health and human services helpline, to report disaster damages or report immediate needs. Indiana 211 can provide connections for shelter, transportation, food, and other disaster related resources.

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Community News

Candidates to speak at next North GOP Club dinner

The Northern Hamilton County GOP Club will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, at Greek’s Pizzeria, 417 S. Main St., Sheridan.

Speakers will include County Commissioner Christine Altman, Election Administrator and Clerk candidate Beth Sheller, Sheriff candidate Dustin Dixon, Superior Court 8 judge candidate Danica Eyler, and several more Republican candidates and office holders.

This is a free event for members and sponsors. The charge for guests is \$10.

Please RSVP to emily.pearson317@gmail.com by Saturday, Sept. 12, if you plan to attend.

Cicero spaghetti dinner to benefit first responders

Please join Cicero Friends of the Park from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, at Red Bridge Park in Cicero for the Police, EMS, and Firefighters Spaghetti Dinner.

A free-will dinner will be served, but donations are accepted and will be split between the town’s fire and police departments.

Enjoy a concert on the pier with the Karma Band 5:30 to 8 p.m. Don’t forget the Jeep cruise-in from 5 to 8 p.m. and bounce houses for kids!

Help honor Cicero’s heroes while enjoying a delicious dinner.

Flood Relief Food Drive this Saturday in Westfield

Hoosier Hometown Markets will hold a Flood Relief Food Drive from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the IMMI Conference Center, 18880 N. East St., Westfield. The food drive will take place as part of the Great Shop-tember Market.

Attendees can donate non-perishable food, which will go to the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank and its network of local pantries to support flood victims.

If you donate five or more items, you will get VIP discounts and offers. Thank you for doing your part.

Mental health first-aid training sessions in September & October

The public is invited to participate in an eight-hour Mental Health First Aid training at the University of Indianapolis, led by Hamilton County Health Department and the Metropolitan Indianapolis-Central Indiana Area Health Education Center.

Sessions will take place on Sept. 11 and Oct. 6. They will provide practical skills to recognize and respond to someone experiencing a mental health crisis.

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Carmel celebrates 50 years as a city with ice cream, live music & family fun

The REPORTER

Grab your family, invite your friends, and get ready to celebrate.

Carmel is marking its 50th anniversary as a city with an old-fashioned Ice Cream Social filled with live music, dancing, games, and historic memories. The Rotary Club of Carmel and the Carmel City Council have planned a fabulous evening for the community.

The celebration takes place from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, at Carmel City Hall and the Minnie Doane Gazebo.

In 1976, Carmel officially became a city with an elected mayor and City Council. Fifty years later, the community has grown into a nationally recognized destination and one of the finest places to live in the country. The anniversary



celebration is an opportunity to look back at where Carmel began while celebrating everything the community has become.

The city will also celebrate the 35th anniversary of its Gold Medal Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation Department. The parks are a key factor in making Carmel a world-class city with diversity of play and accommodations for all levels of ability.

Music, dancing & a little 1970s fun

The Minnie Doane Gazebo will be the center of

the evening's entertainment, with two live bands keeping the celebration moving:

- 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. – Blair Clark & Fun Factor Band, kicking off the evening with lively music the whole family can enjoy.
- 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. – Cool City Band, bringing the evening to a close with music made for dancing and celebrating.

In true community-celebration fashion, there will be free ice cream served by members of the Carmel City Council.

Think you've still got

the moves? Test your skills in the Hula Hoop Contest at 6:30 p.m. There may even be a few surprises for those willing to step into the hoop.

Step back in time

Inside Carmel City Hall, visitors can explore a historic display presented by the Carmel Clay Historical Society, offering a glimpse into the city's past and the people, places, and milestones that helped shape the community.

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Photo provided by Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance announces 2027 summer internship program

The REPORTER

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance is preparing for its summer internship program. The company will provide approximately 20 paid internship opportunities in a variety of business areas, including claims, underwriting, information technology and actuarial departments.

The 11-week internship program will run from mid-May through the end of July 2027. Interns will get real, practical experience by working side-by-side with their teams on projects that benefit their department and the company at large. The summer schedule also carves out weekly time for personal development, ensuring interns leave with more than just professional skills.

"This program is holistic in nature," said Lilia Lewis, HR administrator and internship program facilitator.

"In addition to regular business-related work tasks, our interns participate in mock interview sessions and a resume building workshop. Beyond that, we round out the experience with community service opportunities and social events for the interns to enjoy together."

Candidates best suited for the program are undergraduates with ties to Indiana, including those attending school in-state as well as Indiana natives enrolled at out-of-state colleges, and universities. The roles are hybrid, with interns spending part of their week on site at the company's Indianapolis headquarters.

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance company representatives will attend career fairs at the following schools in the coming weeks:

- University of Cincinnati – Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Ball State University –

Sept. 16 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Indiana State University – Sept. 16 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Purdue University (School of Business) – Sept. 17 from noon to 4 p.m.
- Kentucky State University – Oct. 1 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Purdue University (College of Agriculture) – Oct. 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance's downtown Indianapolis office features modern workspaces, an on-site fitness facility and cafeteria, 24-hour security and free parking. It's also close to dining and entertainment options.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the internship program. Positions will be added to the site soon. The company intends to have the majority of the internship opportunities filled by December.

Suburban Indy Fall Home Show returning to Grand Park

The REPORTER

The 10th annual Suburban Indy Fall Home & Outdoor Living Show returns to Grand Park Events Center in Westfield from Sept. 18 to 20. Indy's only fall home show connects local home owners with the suburban area's best in home improvement.

The Suburban Indy Fall Home & Outdoor Living Show continues to celebrate and feature local artisans and makers in its 10th year. See premium examples of outdoor living spaces with landscapes, patios, outdoor kitchens, fire pits, and other options that allow you to extend your outdoor living season.

Home improvement exhibitors are prepared to help get your home holiday ready, both inside and out. The holidays will be here before you know it, and the time is now to schedule home improvements before hosting family and friends.

For its 10th anniversary, the Fall Marketplace is better than ever. Browse a curated collection of independent vendors offering

one-of-a-kind gifts, fine foods, handcrafted décor, and specialty finds you won't come across anywhere else. Get a head start on your gift list, treat yourself, or just enjoy a shopping experience without the crowds and the carbon-copy merchandise.

New this year, master pumpkin carver Sean Fitzpatrick of Fitzsnowman Studios will bring jack-o'-lanterns to life with live carving demonstrations throughout the show. Guests can even learn the craft themselves at a free daily pumpkin carving class at 2 pm. (Ages 10 and up; under 18 with a parent; tools are provided. Space is limited to 20 participants per class; registration is required at info@suburbanindyshows.com.)

It's not just for adults. The Suburban Indy Fall Home & Outdoor Living Show brings the fun for kids including free bounce houses and games each day of the show. On Sunday, families can enjoy even more fun, free entertainment. Princesses and K-pop perform-

ers will sing, dance, and pose with guests for pictures after each performance. Silly Safaris animal shows will educate and allow you to get up close to many unique animals. Additional magic and entertaining balloon-twisting performances are also scheduled.

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Upcoming Broadcasts

Wed Sept 9 - Girls Soccer

5:30 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Girls JV Soccer | HCTV Sports
6:45 pm **Fishers vs Hamilton Southeastern** | Girls Soccer | Southeastern Sports
7:00 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Girls Varsity Soccer | HCTV Sports

Thurs Sept 10 - Volleyball

7:20 pm Heritage Christian vs Covenant Christian | Varsity Volleyball | Indiana SRN
7:30 pm **Fishers vs Hamilton Southeastern** | Volleyball | Fishers Sports Network

Fri Sept 11 - Football

6:45 pm **Sheridan vs Clinton Central** | IHSAA Football | Bragg Sports Media
6:50 pm New Palestine HS vs Mt Vernon HS | IHSAA Football | Indiana SRN
6:50 pm Covenant Christian vs Heritage Christian | IHSAA Football | Indiana SRN
6:50 pm Cathedral vs Chatard | IHSAA Football | Indiana SRN
7:00 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | IHSAA Football | HCTV Sports

Sat Sept 12 - Volleyball and Girls Soccer

9:00 am Lake Central vs **Hamilton Southeastern** | Volleyball | Southeastern Sports
10:00am Homestead vs **Fishers** | Girls Soccer | Fishers Sports Network
5:30 pm Crown Point vs **Fishers** | Girls soccer | Fishers Sports Network

Tues Sept 15 - Boys Soccer and Volleyball

5:30 pm **Zionsville vs Noblesville** | JV Boys Soccer | HCTV Sports
6:00 pm **Hamilton Heights vs Noblesville** | JV Volleyball | Noblesville Sports
7:00 pm **Zionsville vs Noblesville** | Varsity Boys Soccer | Varsity | HCTV Sports
7:30 pm **Hamilton Heights vs Noblesville** | Varsity Volleyball | Noblesville Sports

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Don't let the blood supply fall, give blood or platelets with Red Cross now

The REPORTER

The American Red Cross urges people not to wait to make a lifesaving impact this fall by scheduling a blood or platelet donation appointment in September.

The blood supply remains vulnerable after recovering from critically low levels during a summer blood shortage, and now is the time for donors of all blood types to help patients who count on blood products for care.

Reserve a spot to give now. Visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App to schedule a blood or platelet donation appointment. Those who come to give through Sept. 20 will receive an exclusive Red Cross x Hello Kitty® plush mascot clip and surprise sticker pack, while supplies last. Visit RedCrossBlood.org/HelloKitty for details.

Those who come to

give Sept. 21 to Oct. 18 will receive a \$15 e-gift card to a merchant of their choice. See RedCrossBlood.org/Fall for details. Additionally, all who come to give Sept. 21 to 30 at Red Cross blood donation centers and mention the word “pickleball” to Red Cross staff or volunteers onsite can score a custom Red Cross pickleball paddle and ball (limited quantities available). Visit RedCrossBlood.org/FindADonationCenter for more information.

Leave a lifesaving legacy

Even as the seasons change, the need for blood does not. The mission of the Red Cross Blood Services remains constant and carries on today thanks to the innovation and leadership of Dr. Charles R. Drew.

This year marks the 85th anniversary of Dr. Charles R. Drew's appointment as the first medical director of the Red Cross

Upcoming Donation Opportunities

Carmel

• Sept. 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at IU Health North Hospital, 11700 N. Meridian St.

Fishers

• Sept. 14 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Heartland Church, 14900 126th St.
• Sept. 21 from noon to 5 p.m. at Harley-Davidson of Indianapolis, 124000 Reynolds Drive

Noblesville

• Sept. 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 26, 29 from 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the Noblesville Blood Donation Center, 14765 Hazel Dell Crossing, Suite 700
• Sept. 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 from noon to 6:45 p.m. at the Noblesville Blood Donation Center

Anderson

• Sept. 14 from noon to 4 p.m. at Park Place Church of God, 501 College Drive
• Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Anderson University OLT Student Center, 1215 University Blvd.

Pendleton

• Sept. 23 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at American Legion Post 117, 611 W. State St.

Kokomo

• Sept. 17 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Button Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, 1220 East Blvd.

Blood Program. To commemorate his lasting contributions, the Red Cross is releasing *Iconic Excellence*, a short documentary exploring Drew's life and steadfast influence.

Beginning Sept. 18, the film will be available to stream on the Red Cross [YouTube channel](#).

Community members can help carry Drew's legacy forward by donating blood or platelets, encouraging others to give, or hosting a screening of the documentary to inspire lifesaving action. Learn more and get started at RedCrossBlood.org/IconicExcellence.

Meeting Notices

The Clay Township Board will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2026, at the John W. Hensel Government Center, 10701 N. College Ave., Carmel.

The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2026, in the second-floor courtroom at the Hamilton County Historic Courthouse, 33 N. 9th St., Noblesville. Please enter through the west side doors.

The Hamilton County Commissioners will meet in an executive session at 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, 2026.

A regular meeting will follow at 2 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square.

Each year, the Hamilton County Reporter requests government entities to notify us of public meetings as their Open Door Law notification under I.C. 5-14-1.5-5. The Reporter publishes these notices as a public service in our Tuesday through Friday digital editions. Meeting notices for Open Door Law compliance can be sent to PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com.

The Reporter's policy on obituaries

The Hamilton County Reporter does not charge families for publishing obituary notices in our pages. Every obituary appearing in online editions Wednesday through Saturday also appears in our Monday print editions. In order to continue to offer this as a community service, we ask that obituaries not exceed 500 words. The limitations of space may not allow for longer ones to appear in print.

Submit obituaries under 500 words online at ReadTheReporter.com/obitform.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

IDOLATRY FORBIDDEN

The Lord was angry with me because of you, and he solemnly swore that I would not cross the Jordan and enter the good land the Lord your God is giving you as your inheritance. I will die in this land; I will not cross the Jordan; but you are about to cross over and take possession of that good land. Be careful not to forget the covenant of the Lord your God that he made with you; do not make for yourselves an idol in the form of anything the Lord your God has forbidden. For the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

Deuteronomy 4:21-24 (NIV)

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Guests can also head to the second-floor City Council Chambers for a unique photo opportunity at the dais – the same place where Carmel's public meetings are held.

For a little extra nostalgia, don't miss the photo booth VW bus, bringing a definite 1970s vibe to the celebration and providing the perfect backdrop for an anniversary photo.

There will also be an inflatable bald eagle for another fun photo opportunity.

Bring your appetite & your picnic blanket

Food and drink options will be available throughout the evening, and families are welcome to bring their own picnic to enjoy while listening to the music and soaking up the atmosphere. Beverages will be available for purchase from the on-site Bar Trailer.

Whether you've called Carmel home for generations or are newer to the community, the Ice Cream Social is a chance to celebrate together.

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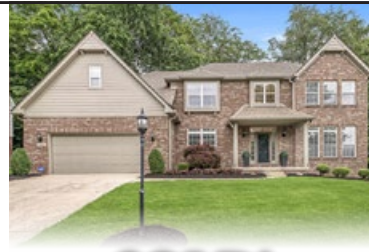


6178 NORTH WOODHAVEN DR.
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This turnkey 3BR, 2BA ranch in McCordsville features fresh paint, granite counters, and LVP flooring. Enjoy the new wood privacy fence and covered deck. Community pool and playground are steps away!

New price \$304,900

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18532 ORIENTAL OAK COURT
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Beautiful 4BR, 2BA 2 half baths in Oakmont of Noblesville. Situated on over half an acre (.68) wooded lot featuring a screened porch and finished basement along with a three car tandem garage. This move-in ready property awaits you.

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NOBLESVILLE

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2513 SHERIDAN COURT
CICERO

This desirable 3BR, 2BA Cicero ranch on .44 acres features a remodeled kitchen with quartz counters, wood-burning fireplace, spacious primary suite, and private, wooded backyard with two storage sheds. Lake access and boat docks.

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