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The ‘Pulse’ of dance

“Frequencies” brings Fishers’ only dance company to center stage

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When seated in the audience of Pulse Dance Theater’s latest production, *Frequencies*, you may see yourself on stage. The collection of modern dance works in *Frequencies* portray the beautiful human moments that define us.

Pulse Dance Theater (PDT) will perform this galvanizing piece at Fishers Art Center Theater, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, on Sept. 26 and 27. Amanda Browning, founder and artistic director of PDT, told The Reporter about her experience creating a successful dance company and inspiring connection in Fishers through *Frequencies*.

“[Performing *Frequencies*] is a great way to say that we’re here,” Browning said. “We are here in Fishers and we’re excited to perform for a theater in the community that we are in. In a way, it feels like an introductory performance because this will be the first time we’ve performed a big concert at Fishers Art Center.”

The production will feature an assortment of five modern and contemporary dance works by local choreographers, including Manuel Valdez, Mariel Greenlee-Lungu, Sarah Farnsley, Justin Sears, and Margo Korn along with Browning. Each choreographer has extensive experience in both producing and dancing,



(TOP, from left) Amanda Browning, Izaak Vilbrun, and Sarah Farnsley. The many performers of Pulse Dance Theater will stage *Frequencies* on Sept. 26 and 27 in Fishers.

which contributes to their effectiveness in directing.

Since its creation, PDT has adopted a modern style of dance that is evident in *Frequencies*, and is what separates this company from others in Hamilton County.

“We are more of a modern or contemporary company,” Browning said. “While our

dancers do have a lot of ballet technique, what we’re performing is not considered to be ballet. We’re very interested in exploring and communicating and telling stories about humanity and about the exchange between people. I would say the main difference is that [other dance companies] focus more on ballet, and we are more modern.”

Browning told The Reporter she was able to use her own dance experience to establish the contemporary essence of PDT.

“I was trained in classical ballet, and most of the dancers are, but I think we just all found a love of modern dance and of contemporary practice,”

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Unpacking luggage & guilt

All packed up and ready to go until a nasty virus said ... not today, lady.

It was last Thursday around 2 a.m. when I woke up and realized the virus I had caught six days earlier had gripped my throat (laryngitis), ears, and chest, and had worn me down. I told Chuck, “Honey, I’m so sorry I can’t get on a plane and fly to Tampa.”

We were supposed to leave the house at 2:50 because our flight was at 5:30 a.m., and our grandson, Jake, was coming with us. I had to text him to say he would be going alone. He said, “No worries, Grandma, just get feeling better.” His mom, Angie, insisted on taking him to the airport, which let Chuck go back to bed. I was camped out on the sofa.

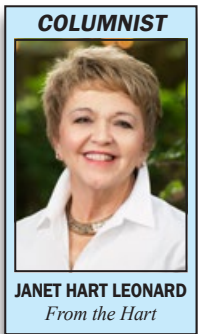
I disappointed Jake, Chuck, Emily, and her family. I was a no-show at my own party, as you can see ... it was my birthday. Happy Birthday to me. The icing on the cake was that I now had pink eye.

I scheduled another trip to Med Check, where I was given an antibiotic, cough pills, and an ointment for my eye.

It was interesting at our house because Chuck couldn’t understand me due to severe laryngitis, and I couldn’t hear him. We found out neither of us was good at sign language or reading it. He thought my sign for water was a signal to turn up the TV volume.

The thing is, while I was terribly disappointed, I felt I had let down the people I love. We’d planned to celebrate not only my birthday but also Chuck’s and my son-in-law Drew’s. Chuck and Jake were going to golf, and Emily and I were going to do mother-daughter stuff.

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Meet the Math: changing the equation

By AIDA KARIM
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You’ve heard of your run-of-the-mill math competitions plenty of times. But how do we get kids to actually enjoy and connect with the subject? Infinity Squared has the answer.

On Sept. 5, Infinity Squared held its annual Meet the Math at the Carmel Clay Public Library, 425 E. Main St. Students from fourth to seventh grade took part in the math challenge event.

The Reporter spoke with Stephanie Tan and Draco Qiao, co-presidents of Infinity Squared and seniors at Carmel High School.

As a young child, Tan remembered attending her fair share of math competitions, and struggling through long tests with little to no “positive emotion.”

Tan told The Reporter Meet the Math was created to make math more accessible, inclusive, and fun for everyone involved.

According to Tan, the event started off with talking to each of the kids and getting comfortable with each other. The participants later went over problem sets, played math bingo, and shared snacks.

Qiao said unlike many traditional math organizations and competitions, they focus on the community.



Infinity Squared’s annual “Meet the Math” challenge works to make mathematics more accessible, inclusive, and fun for students.

“Through our partnership with Exponentia Prime, we try our best to support underserved communities in Indianapolis,” Qiao said. “We’ve cultivated a very strong relationship with them and they provide support for our events as well.”

Tan said Infinity Squared regularly hosts events similar to Meet the Math, at times

reaching different audiences and offering different challenges.

“Last year, for example, we had a solely girls event,” Tan said. “We had a marathon event with solely puzzles, and we also had a Zionville event. They all are slightly different but similar in focusing on helping spread math enrichment.”

Tan said Infinity Squared also has chapters in Massachusetts and New Jersey. Their reach also extends internationally with chapters in Rwanda, Uzbekistan, Brazil, and Mexico. “We provide them funding and prizes through our sponsors,” Tan said. “We help with problem

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Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville receives grant from Sheehan Charitable Foundation

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The Tom & Soni Sheehan Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville (BGCN) recently received a \$50,000 grant from the Thomas P. and Sondra D. Charitable Foundation, a fund of Hamilton County Community Foundation, in support of scholarships and its transportation program for the 2026-27 school year.

“We are incredibly grateful to The Thomas P. and Sondra D. Sheehan Charitable Foundation for their continued investment in the youth of Noblesville and Hamilton County,” BGCN Executive Director Becky Terry said. “Their generosity helps ensure that local kids have a safe, supportive place to belong each day, while giving them access to meaningful programs and opportunities that help them learn, grow and reach their full potential. This partnership is an investment not only in our Club Kids, but in the future of our entire community.”

The Foundation’s support will help provide reliable transportation to the Club, removing barriers that prevent youth from participating in after-school programs. It will also fund scholarships to ease the financial burden for families in need. Over the past year, 526 youth and teens utilized



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Why you won’t see political attack ads in this newspaper

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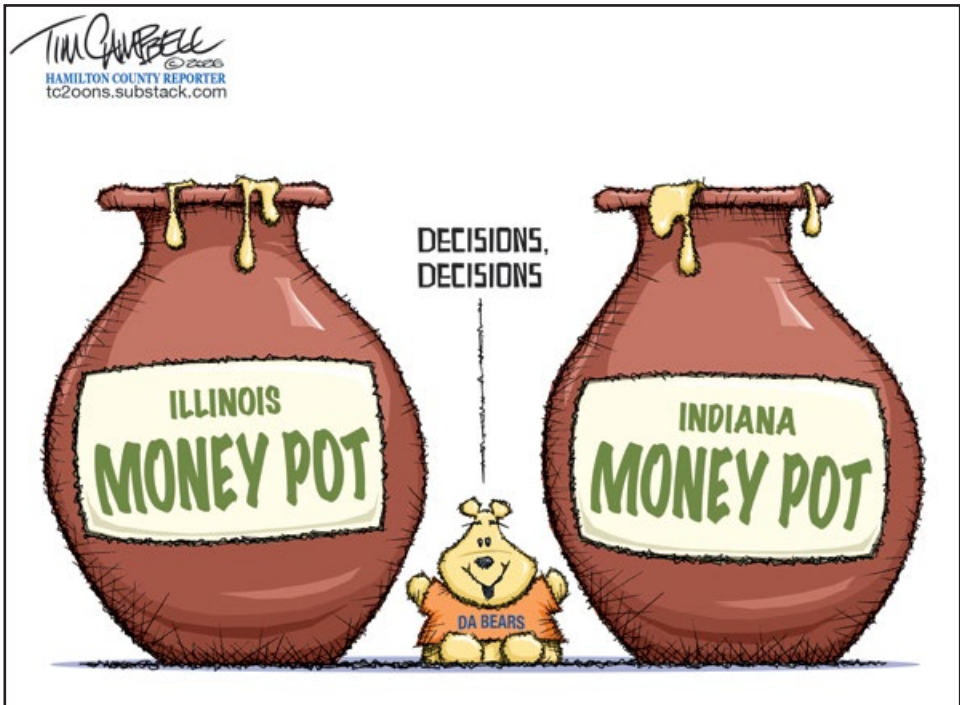


Photo provided by CrossRoads Church at Westfield
The popular Premier Chili Cook-Off is an important part of CrossRoads Church at Westfield’s annual Wild, Wild Westfield Fall Fest.

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the Club’s transportation services, while 173 families received financial assistance and scholarships.

“My parents believed in the power of community and the importance of creating opportunities for others,” said Tracey Sheehan, Board Chair of the Thomas P. and Sondra D. Sheehan Charitable Foundation. “Through these grants, we are able to continue that legacy by helping organizations like the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville remove barriers and provide more young people with the chance to learn, grow, and build great futures.”

About the BGCN

BGCN provides high-quality, low-cost programs for youth members with the help of donors and sponsors. Between the Club, the Community Center and Camp Crosser, the Club provides opportunities for members to enjoy activities and experiences that help shape character and offer new perspectives. BGCN is dedicated to inspiring and enabling all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens by promoting leadership, character, health, and physical development. Learn more at bgcni.org.

May the best chili win . . .

CrossRoads Church’s annual Chili Cook-Off coming up

Submitted

Do you make the best chili in Hamilton County? Then enter Wild, Wild Westfield’s Premier Chili Cook-Off taking place from 4 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26.

Cash prizes will be awarded for each of four categories: Beef Chili, Poultry Chili, Vegetarian Chili, and Other Meats Chili. A Grand Prize Winner will be awarded.

To enter the premier Chili Cook-Off, register your chili at tinyurl.com/5da2dbfn or at crchurch.org/fall-fest-chili-cook-off. Once you have registered, bring a crockpot of chili to CrossRoads Church at Westfield by 4 p.m. Sept. 26.

The Chili Cook-Off is being held at 19201 Grassy Branch Road, Westfield, on the CrossRoads Church at Westfield’s campus.

The Premier Chili Cook-Off is part of CrossRoad’s Church at Westfield’s family-friendly Wild, Wild Westfield Fall Fest held from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26. This free, family-friendly event is for all who want to enjoy a fun and relaxing afternoon of games, food, and music. Attendees will be able to taste the chilis that are entered in the contest.

In addition, enjoy face-painting, inflatables, pony rides, food, kid’s games, bounce houses, live music, adult fun, petting zoo, and silent auction. Of course, what would Wild, Wild Westfield be without Manny the Mechanical Bull! Find out more about the event at crchurch.org/fall-fest-chili-cook-off.

This big event is part of CrossRoads Church at Westfield’s four-part strategic plan to meet, enjoy, know, and serve our local neighbors.

You can find out more about CrossRoads Church at Westfield online at ForOurNeighbor.Life, CRChurch.org, or email ForOurNeighborInfo@gmail.com.

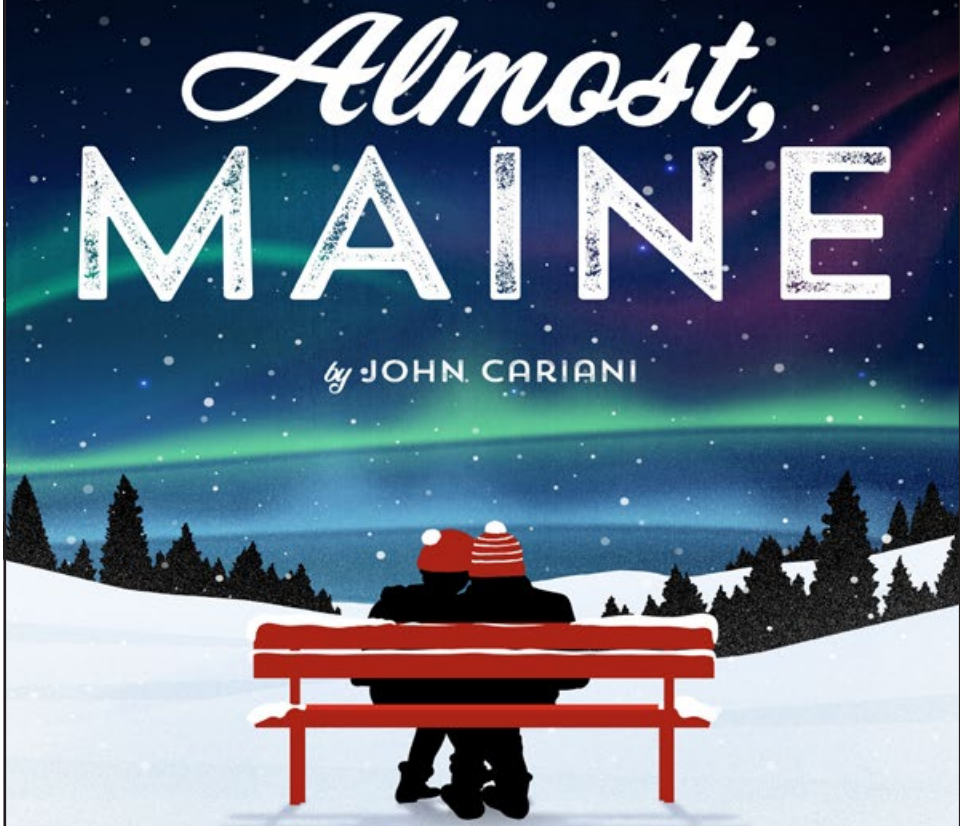


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LUGGAGE

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I was on a no-fun staycation. Worse, I was on a guilt trip. I had caused all the people I love to change their plans and miss out on a family vacation, and it was my fault, or so I felt.

As a recovering people-pleaser, I still struggle whenever I disappoint anyone. I couldn’t help getting really sick, but the guilt was still there.

I have no idea where I picked up this virus. At Med Check, they told me it was a particularly severe virus. They were correct in their diagnosis and in assessing how severe it was.

I was told it is a seven-to 10-day virus. I am on day 12.

Over the weekend, I got a text from fellow columnist Amy Shinneman. She had apparently come down with the same virus. The thing was, she had a 14-hour flight from Australia to catch. I couldn’t imagine feeling as bad as I did and having to be on a plane for 14 hours. I worried about her ears. She was worried, too. I prayed a lot for her and for her husband, Jamie, who was with her. They had just run the Australian Marathon, with Amy on her special bike and Jamie running and pushing her. They are quite the team.

What our readers of the Hamilton Country Reporter may not know is that Amy, along with Amy Shankland and Sharon McMahon, are dear friends, not just fellow columnists. We are known as the Word Warriors.

So here I am at home, and hopefully I will be better soon and over my guilt trip. Now I just need to unpack my suitcase.

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writing and social media, and they get in contact with their local community spaces and host their events.”

Qiao said it’s important for every kid to have a good relationship with learning math.

“You need math for science. You need math for economics. You need math for basically any sort of social science, physical science, life science,” Qiao said. “Even for other things, you still need those sorts of deductive skills – and these math skills – for living your everyday life.”

You can learn more about Infinity Squared online at infinitysquared-mathematics.org.

You can learn more about Exponentia Prime online at exponentiaprime.com.

Farmers gather for record-breaking Becknology Days

By HANNAH RAYL
Beck's Hybrids

Farmers from across the Midwest gathered throughout August for Beck's 2026 Becknology™ Days, a series of free, farmer-focused events designed to turn research, innovation, and product knowledge into more confident decisions on the farm.

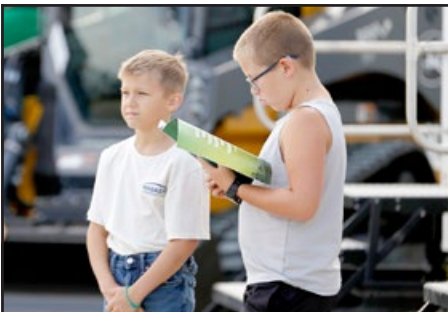
Attendance increased at every location and on each of the 10 event days, with 26,421 farmers and guests participating across eight locations in seven states, the highest attendance in Becknology Days history.

At the center of this year's experience was SeedIQ™, the industry's first product management platform. SeedIQ combines AI-powered insights with decades of Beck's proprietary research to help farmers select and manage products based on their unique fields, practices, and management styles. Throughout Becknology Days, farmers saw how SeedIQ brings together insights from Root Reveal™, Silk Reveal™, Kernel Reveal™, Product Characterization Research, LEARN plots, Choice Trials, performance data, and Practical Farm Research (PFR)®.

By turning that research into clear product recommendations, management considerations, and in-season insights, SeedIQ helps



Glendia Beck speaks with the next generation of farmers during Becknology Days.



farmers better understand how to unlock the full potential of every product.

"SeedIQ represents a different approach to helping farmers succeed," Beck's President Scott Beck said. "It goes beyond selecting a product based on geography or yield history. It helps us recommend products based on how each farmer manages their operation and then gives them the information they need to manage those products more effectively throughout the season."

SeedIQ was one part of a broader Becknology Days experience built around practical, region-specific information. Farmers toured PFR studies, explored new products and technologies, and spoke directly with Beck's agronomy and research teams. Topics included maximizing hybrid performance, managing corn-after-corn acres, evaluating fungicide programs, refining nitrogen strategies, and pursuing greater soybean yield potential.

Since 1964, Beck's has welcomed farmers to experience field research firsthand, ask questions, and explore ideas they can take back to their operations. While Becknology Days continues to evolve alongside agriculture, its purpose remains the same: helping farmers succeed.

"At the heart of Becknology Days is the farmer," Beck said. "Seeing a record number of farmers engage with the research and prepare for what's next



tells us these conversations matter. We are grateful for every farmer who chose to spend a day with us."

In addition to the Atlanta, Ind., headquarters, the 2026 Becknology Days sea-

son included events in Salina, Kan.; Henderson, Ky.; Goehner, Neb.; Effingham and El Paso, Ill.; Colfax, Iowa; Olivia, Minn.

Learn more at becks-hybrids.com.

PULSE

Browning said. "It definitely utilizes the ballet knowledge and vocabulary that's living in our bodies. Our dancers speak the lines of a ballet dancer, but it is a different approach to how we create movement, to how we execute movement. It's just a different kinetic vocabulary that we're utilizing to communicate on stage. I think it becomes a very unique and visceral way of being able to communicate, whether we're working in the studio or we're actually performing, that communication is passed on to our audience."

Browning used much of her own inspiration from dance to create PDT, even when the thought of starting a company seemed outlandish.

"I love to choreograph. I've been in the professional choreography world and do a lot of work with universities and colleges and guest choreography," Browning said. "People would always ask, 'Do you ever want to start your own company?' and I would say, 'No way, it's so much work, and the financial side of it.' Dance is already a very low-paid industry, but then to try to raise the funds to rent theaters and buy costumes and pay choreographers and then pay the dancers and lighting designers— it requires a lot of fundraising to make that happen, and that

was something I was not interested in diving into."

However, Browning's passion for using dance and choreography to express ideas encouraged her to continue.

"I was very interested in oral tradition," Browning said. "Stories, specifically the ancestral stories of family and grandparents, and how those stories are passed down from generation to generation. Not just stories, but all the things that we do with our hands and our bodies, like recipes that have been passed down, or craftsmanship that's passed down generation to generation."

Some parts of that generational knowledge are best expressed in dance.

"How that movement, that knowledge then becomes part of what's known as genetic memory, like our body just inherently recognizes it because it's been passed down via generation," Browning said. "A culmination of my master's work and that master's thesis project was titled *Through the Pulse of Memory*, and it was a study on genetic memory and how people tell stories through oral tradition."

After performing that dance production at the Indy Dance Festival, Browning selected the word "pulse" from the title, "Through the Pulse of Memory," which

led to the official creation of Pulse Dance. PDT was born to convey the importance of communication, and communication through dance remains in each performance.

"We didn't really know where it was going at that point, we just thought 'let's just keep performing together,'" Browning said. "We enjoyed performing together and creating together. There's a core group of us who had known each other professionally in the dance world for quite some time and had been dancing with each other. We wanted to keep dancing with each other. We applied for nonprofit status, and when we did that, we registered the name Pulse Dance Theater to take it from a project-based performing group to a full-season company. Our first season was a success. We had a lot of great experiences. Prior to us, Fishers did not have a professional dance company that could call Fishers its home."

Besides Browning's ambition and support from the original performers, the supportive culture of Fishers was central to the success of the group.

"I love Fishers. I think there's something really special about it, and it's growing," Browning said. "I think within that growth, the performing arts is growing,

and I do think it's important for it to have that cultural identity of being able to host and house a professional dance company. [There is a] tremendous appreciation for the arts community, not just in Fishers, but in the greater Indianapolis area. There is a willingness for artists to want to help other artists be successful."

Due to Fishers' praise of arts communities, it is the

perfect audience to interpret the meaning behind *Frequencies*.

"It's always a goal of mine for the audience to see snippets of themselves in the dance works that are happening," Browning said. "Maybe it's in an emotion or a gesture or a relationship that they see on stage, or even just energy that they're feeling with the music and the dance and the lights. I

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always want the audience to think, 'Oh, that's me.'"

To buy tickets to *Frequencies*, staging Sept. 26 and 27, go to PulseDanceTheater.com/events.

To find out more about Pulse Dance Theater, visit PulseDanceTheater.com. If you would like to donate or contribute in other ways to Pulse's continued success, there are contact and donation links on the website.

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Noblesville High School students to lead school board candidate forum

Submitted by
Noblesville Schools

Noblesville High School student journalists will lead a forum on Monday, Sept. 21, that will feature board candidates explaining their views on topics and questions selected by the students.

There will be three candidates on the ballot this fall running to fill two open seats on the Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees. All candidates have indicated that they plan to participate in the student forum.

“Our student journalists first hosted this event in 2024 and we received a lot of positive feedback,” Superintendent Dr. Dan Hile said. “It’s really a win for

all involved. Students get a meaningful real-world experience, candidates get to share their views with the public, and community members get to learn about each candidate.”

The event is open to the public and will be held at the Noblesville High School auditorium on Sept. 21, beginning at 6 p.m. For those unable to attend in person, the event will also be livestreamed and recorded.

The following candidates have filed to run for the Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees on this fall’s ballot:

- Denise Dye
- Joe Forgey (incumbent)
- Misti Ray (incumbent)

Carmel officials release 2027 budget presentations for public review online

The REPORTER

Carmel city officials have released the 2027 department budget proposal presentations online at carmel.in.gov/865/_2027.

This method of publishing budget information differs from years prior by allowing both community members and City Councilors to thoroughly review department budgets ahead of time. Residents and Councilors will have an opportunity to submit questions to be answered and posted online by the city.

The proposed \$252.4 million budget will be discussed and livestreamed during a joint meeting between Mayor Sue Finkam, city leadership, and members of the City Council on Monday, Sept. 28. The formal budget presentation will occur at the City Council’s regular meeting set for Monday, Oct. 5.

“This new budget process is a continuation of our effort to prioritize transparency and on-demand

access to the public,” Mayor Finkam said. “Our ultimate goal is to allow our residents to hear detailed breakdowns as to how the

City of Carmel is being a good steward of taxpayer dollars.”

All budget presentations can now be viewed at carmel.in.gov/865/_2027, where the public can find all recorded budget presentations for each department, individual PowerPoint decks and any additional information provided by the departments.

Questions regarding the overall budget or individual department budgets may be sent to budget@carmel.in.gov. There will be a dedicated Q&A section on the webpage where the public can view questions submitted by other community members and the City Council.



Finkam

Local teacher helps launch library in the Caribbean

By AIDA KARIM
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For many students, reading is as easy as a 10-minute drive to the local library. For children in the British Virgin Islands, accessibly isn’t as simple. This Indiana teacher is here to change that.

In honor of International Literacy Day on Sept. 8, The Reporter spoke with Jessenia Espino, a credit recovery English teacher at Indiana Digital Learning School (INDLS), about her passion for bringing books to underserved communities.

Espino said she had always known she was going to be a teacher, even though she doubted it when the idea was first presented to her.

“My teacher told me I was going to be a teacher when I was in first grade. I didn’t believe her,” Espino said.

Now, not only is Espino an educator, but one with an international reach, in part thanks to COVID-19.

During the pandemic, Espino and her son discovered a new approach to education. Espino said she had to find a new alternative for school for her son because the “brick-and-mortar” setting wasn’t working well with him.

“So when we went into year two of COVID, we had to find a different option for him because he wasn’t able to go back to in-person school,” Espino said. “And that’s how we found INDLS.”

Espino told The Reporter she started working with INDLS as a substitute teacher until she eventually took over the class she was long-



Photos provided

When Jessenia Espino (above left) learned that children’s access to books in the British Virgin Islands was limited – and some islands didn’t even have a library – she went on a mission to change that.

term subbing for. Five years later, Espino now teaches Gothic literature for grades 10 through 12.

According to Espino, she regularly tries to be more involved in the community. She said, “I usually find books at garage sales and Goodwill, and I’ll fill up the little free libraries around Hamilton County.”

Espino expanded her impact beyond Hamilton County amid her fateful trip to her “secondary community” in the British Virgin Islands.

Two years ago, Espino and her boyfriend visited the island on vacation. While staying at their hotel Espino passed by a group of kids playing on the beach.

“I had one of my INDLS shirts on and one of the kids came up and started asking me ‘what’s Indiana Digital?’” Espino said. “And so I explained our school to them.”

As the group continued to talk about their differences in schooling, Espino said, “One thing I heard from them was, ‘it must be really nice to be

able to go get a book to read whenever you feel like it.’”

Espino asked a nearby adult about the children’s situation and she confirmed, “‘Yes, there’s no library on our island. There’s not even really a library on the big island.’”

Espino was shocked.

“I didn’t realize access to books was something many students take for granted,” Espino said. “So I just kind of sat with that and I thought, ‘Oh, maybe I could bring down some books and we can do a little free library kind of like we do up in the States.’”

Six months down the road, Espino saw a post from one of her friends on the island where she learned how a local school was planning on starting a library, but they were in need of a lot more books. They were looking for visitors who could bring a book or two each to help the library get started.

“I thought I can do better than a book or two,” Espino said. “And we ended up taking down 127 books last

year that were donated by my friends, my co-workers, neighbors, and family.”

Building on the legacy, Espino is currently in the process of organizing a campaign with Scholastic Books to raise money and buy more books for the library in the British Virgin Islands.

Upon reflecting about the importance of literature, Espino said she understands reading as a place for children to imagine new worlds.

“I know when I was a kid, reading was always another way for me to escape,” Espino said. “If I was having a bad day at school or just a rough week in general as a kid, finding a good story would help me get into a different kind of headspace.”

Espino said reading about a character she related to and their journey navigating conflict inspired her “willingness to succeed in life.”

For more information on International Literacy Day, go to unesco.org/en/days/literacy.

Chain reaction of kindness

Sheridan students given five steps to make the world better

The REPORTER

On Friday, Sept. 4, Sheridan High School (SHS) students heard the story behind Rachel’s Challenge. This special convocation encouraged students to look for the best in others, dream big, choose positive influences, speak with kindness, and start a chain reaction.

Rachel’s Challenge was created in memory of Rachel Joy Scott, the first victim of the 1999 Columbine High School tragedy. While the convocation shared what happened that day more than 27 years ago, the focus was not on how Rachel died, but on how she lived a full and impactful life in her short 16 years through her kindness.

Throughout the presentation, the speaker, JB Braden, showed SHS students how Rachel’s belief in the power of compassion and her desire to make a difference began a “chain reaction” of kindness. Prior to her death, Rachel journaled about this idea of starting a chain reaction, as she believed that one person’s actions could inspire others to act with compassion, grace,



Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools

Inspired by a journal written by Rachel Joy Scott, the first victim of the 1999 Columbine High School shooting, Rachel’s Challenge works to inspire students to spread kindness.

and kindness as well.

Throughout the convocation, JB shared multiple stories of people whom Rachel encountered during her life and how she left a lasting impact on them. These stories highlighted the five challenges that JB brought forth to the SHS students, but ultimately went back to the core message: you never know what another person is going through.

JB challenged his audience to “look for the best in others,” but the five ultimate challenges are:

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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September is Library Card Sign-up Month

WWPL encourages residents to discover more with a library card

The REPORTER

The Westfield Washington Public Library (WWPL) is celebrating Library Card Sign-up Month. This year's theme, "A Library Card Hits All the Right Notes," highlights the variety of resources and experiences libraries provide for people of all ages and interests.



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In addition to books, cardholders can borrow eBooks and audiobooks, access online learning and research tools, check out items from the Library of Things, and participate in programs for children, teens, and adults.

WWPL's Makerspace also gives patrons access to creative tools and technology, with opportunities for

3D printing, laser cutting and engraving, access to a fully equipped recording studio, and more.

"A library card gives you access to resources you can use at every stage of life," WWPL Executive Director Sheryl Sollars said. "There's always something new to discover, and we want our community to make the most of everything available to them."

WWPL is also offering a special perk during September. New cardholders can receive a 3D-printed travel library card protector stamped with "09/26," while supplies last. Library cards are free for eligible residents. For more information, visit www.wvpl.lib.in.us.

Saving Second Base cancer fundraiser returns to Cicero this Saturday

Submitted

The 11th annual Phi Beta Psi Motorcycle Rally, held in conjunction with the American Legion Riders Post 341, will take place Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Cicero American Legion, 50 Washington Ave.

All proceeds benefit Phi Beta Psi's National Cancer Research Initiatives and Local Community Needs.

A delicious free-will donation breakfast starts at 8:30 a.m., with rally registration from 9 to 10:30 a.m.



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Kickstands are up at 11 a.m.

After a scenic motorcycle rally, riders will return to the Cicero American Legion for a 50/50 drawing, raffles, and a live auction. Do not miss the fun!

If you cannot join on Sept. 19, you can still help fight cancer by donating directly to Phi Beta Psi, Delta Chapter, on Venmo.

Make your donation at account.venmo.com/u/PhiBetaPsiDelta.



Photos provided by Sheridan Public Library

From ideas to inventions

Sheridan Public Library launches new Maker Cart

The REPORTER

On Sept. 8, the Sheridan Public Library (SPL) was filled with building, experimenting, and things flying through the air as children and families gathered to celebrate the launch of the library's new Maker Cart.

Made possible by a generous \$2,200 donation from the Kiwanis Club of Sheridan, the Maker Cart is bringing new opportunities for hands-on learning, creativity, and STEAM exploration to the Sheridan community.

The launch party gave local children their first chance to dive in and put the new Maker Cart to work. Instead of simply unveiling the resource, the library invited young makers and their families to take on a playful challenge: build something that launches! Together, kids and parents created catapults, straw rockets, pom-pom shooters, paper airplanes and other high-flying inventions.

With simple materials and plenty of imagination, children designed and built their own launchers, then tested their creations to see how far they could send their objects flying. Some designs worked right away, while others required a little adjusting, rebuilding, and trying again.

And that is exactly the kind of learning the Maker

Cart is designed to encourage.

The idea behind the Maker Cart is simple. Children don't need fancy equipment or a large makerspace to become makers. Sometimes they just need a few supplies, a little encouragement, and the freedom to see what they can do.

The cart is filled with hands-on materials that can be used for a variety of STEAM activities, including science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics. It will be incorporated into the library's children's programming, providing opportunities for kids to learn through building, testing, problem-solving and, of course, a little trial and error.

Families will find one side of the cart stocked with art supplies and consumables – paper, recyclables, markers, stickers, popsicle sticks, and more – while the other side invites building and engineering with materials such as Plus-Plus blocks, Brain Flakes, K'NEX, KEVA planks and other hands-on construction tools.

But the Maker Cart won't be limited to scheduled programs.

SPL will also offer Open Maker Hours, when children and families can drop in and spend time creating together. Participants can choose their own project and see where

their imagination takes them, or they can try the library's featured STEAM Challenge.

One week, that challenge might be to build the tallest tower. Another might ask participants to design a catapult, create a marble run or build something that can fly. There won't necessarily be one right answer. The fun is in figuring it out.

"My favorite part about making is the mindset it helps to develop," SPL Children's Library Elissa Dee said. Making encourages kids to be curious, take risks, solve problems, and keep trying when something doesn't work the way they expected. Those are skills that go far beyond the project they're working on."

The Maker Cart is also a great fit for Sheridan because it brings hands-on learning to the library without requiring a large dedicated makerspace. It can roll wherever it is needed and can be adapted for different ages, interests, and programs.

While the cart itself may be small, the possibilities are anything but.

The library hopes the Maker Cart will become a



place where families can spend time together, where children can discover new interests and where a simple pile of supplies can turn into an invention, a work of art or an idea nobody expected.

SPL is grateful to the Kiwanis Club of Sheridan for making the Maker Cart possible and helping create new opportunities for the children and families of the community.

The Sept. 8 launch was just the beginning. Now that the cart is officially on the move, the library is looking forward to seeing what Sheridan's young makers will dream up next.

Come curious. Come creative. Come make something!

Meet the candidates running for Hamilton County Sheriff

Submitted

The Exchange is where business, government, and community leadership come together.

Join the Westfield and Noblesville Chambers of Commerce from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, at The Bridgewater Club in Westfield. You'll hear from Hamilton County Sheriff candidates Dustin Dixon and Charles Hollowell.

Register for this edition of The Exchange at tinyurl.com/HamCoSheriffForum.

A collaborative initiative of the Westfield and Noblesville Chambers of Commerce, The Exchange brings regional leaders to the table for timely, nonpartisan conversations about policy, legis-

lation, elections, and the issues influencing communities and the local economy.

More than a forum, The Exchange is an opportunity to listen, ask questions, share perspectives, and build connections across the region – because the best ideas and strongest communities are built when everyone works together.

Please note: This event is not a promotion or endorsement of a political candidate but an opportunity for Chamber membership to connect with the candidates. According to the bylaws, the Chamber



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Hollowell

will not lend its endorsement to the election of any candidate for any political office.

If you are interested in future sponsorship opportunities for The Exchange Series, please reach out to Courtney Albright at calbright@westfield-chamberindy.com or Bob DuBois at bob@noblesvillechamber.com.

Hamilton Heights' All School Reunion set for Saturday, Sept. 19

Submitted

The Hamilton Heights Alumni Association will hold an All Schools Reunion on Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center, 420 W. North St., Entrance I, Arcadia. Handicapped parking is available at Entrance H on the west side of the building.

Social time will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., with the lunch and program from 1 to 3 p.m.

Come enjoy fun, fellowship, and reminiscing. Please share this information with family, friends, and classmates.

This year's honor class is the Class of 1976 (50th year). The Alumni Association will also recognize the Classes of 1956 (70th year), 1966 (60th year), and the first graduates of Hamilton Heights High School, 1986 (40th year),

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and 1996 (30th year).

The guest speaker will be Lawrence "Sonny" Beck, CEO of Beck's Superior Hybrids and Hamilton Heights' 2026 first Distinguished Alumni Award recipient.

There will be a silent auction of various merchandise and services donated by local businesses. Select HHHS yearbooks and booklets of pre-HHHS graduates will be available for \$10. Please consider making a

donation in memory of family, friends, teachers, classes, teams, or clubs.

All auction, yearbook, and donation funds go to the Hamilton Heights Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Three scholarships totaling \$2,500 were awarded to Class of 2026 graduates.

Space is limited, but the cost of the luncheon is \$30 per person at the door.

Learn at tinyurl.com/HeightsAlumni.

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Student artwork will be exhibited at Carmel International Arts Festival

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High school students from Carmel High School and University High School are finalizing their artwork entries for the 2026 Carmel International Arts Festival (CIAF) annual exhibition and scholarship program.

The art department chairs for Carmel High (Jen Bubp) and University High (Tasha Barger) each expect to submit 50 to 70 pieces of art in various media: painting, fiber, photography, jewelry, charcoal, ceramics, and others. The submitted artworks will be on display at the Indiana Artisan Gallery on Range Line Road in the Carmel Arts and Design District during both days of the festival, Sept. 26 and 27.

Cindy Roberts-Greiner, board member and director of the student show, said, “The student exhibition is an important component of the CIAF’s primary mission to educate the community through the arts. This year, we will be awarding \$17,500 in scholarships to chosen students.”

In addition to the scholarship competition, students say they are excited to see their creations displayed in a professional art gallery.

According to Indiana Artisan Gallery Executive Director Rosalyn Demaree, “Allotting space for the high school student art show is a pleasure. I’ve continually



been impressed by students’ creativity and talent.”

In addition to providing a professional exhibit space, the gallery also sponsors two scholarships, the “People’s Choice Award” at \$500 each. Visitors to the Gallery can vote on their favorite pieces of art. The ballots for these awards are tallied at the end of the festival.

All of the CIAF scholarships, plus added awards supported by the Carmel Arts Council, Indiana Artisan Gallery and Tri Kappa Sorority, will be announced during the festival. On Saturday afternoon and Sunday, ribbons will be placed on winning entries.

The CIAF committee expects nearly 30,000 people to attend this year. The festival will take place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26 and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 27.

You can learn more about the festival, including a map showing locations of each stage, by visiting carmelartsfestival.org.

Noblesville Shakespeare in the Park returns for 34th year with *The Comedy of Errors*

Submitted

The Noblesville Cultural Arts Commission will celebrate the 34th annual Noblesville Shakespeare in the Park with William Shakespeare’s uproarious comedy *The Comedy of Errors*, Sept. 16 to 19 at the Amphitheater at Federal Hill Commons, 175 Logan St. All performances begin at 7:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

The longest-running Shakespeare in the Park production in Central Indiana, Noblesville Shakespeare in the Park brings live theater to the community in an outdoor setting each fall.

The Comedy of Errors follows two sets of identical twins who were separated years earlier and unknowingly find themselves in the same city. When the twins are mistaken for one another, a simple reunion quickly turns into a whirlwind of mistaken identities, jealous spouses, wrongful arrests, accusations, and comic misunderstandings.

The production is directed by Jen Otterman and produced by Ka’Lena Cuevas. The creative team also includes Assistant Director and Stage Manager Rob Heighway, Light Designer

Eric Matters, Lighting Operator Lori Raffel, Sound Engineer Clay Howard, Costumer Linda Findley Grow, Costume Assistants Scott Fleshood and Angela Osman, Properties by Jen Otterman and Rob Heighway, and Jay Herold is part of the run crew.

The cast includes Logan Laffin as Antipholus of Syracuse, Nathan Haston as Antipholus of Ephesus, Nathaniel Taff as Dromio of Syracuse, Adrian Blackwell as Dromio of Ephesus, Phoebe Aldridge as Adriana, Adriana Menefee as Luciana, David Shaul as Egeon, Jennifer Wagar as Abbess Aemilia, Kevin Caraher as Duke Solinus, Scott Blackwell as Angelo, Kelli Conkin as Merchant, Angela Osman as Courtesan, Aaron Ploof as Pinch, and Rob Heighway as Jailer.

Audiences are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnics and enjoy an evening of live Shakespeare under the stars. No tickets are required.

For more information, follow Noblesville Shakespeare in the Park on Facebook or visit the Noblesville Cultural Arts Commission online at noblesvillearts.org.

Hamilton County SWCD Fall Native Plant Sale offers trees, shrubs & perennials

The REPORTER

More than 1,300 native trees, shrubs, and perennials have already been sold through the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District’s (SWCD) annual Fall Native Tree & Plant Sale, with orders still being accepted through Thursday, Sept. 17.

The sale offers a wide selection of Indiana native trees, shrubs, flowers, and grasses for homeowners, organizations, and conservation projects. The annual sale helps make native plants more accessible for residents looking to add wildlife habitat, support pollinators, increase shade, manage wet areas, or simply

add more native species to their landscapes.

Native plants are adapted to local growing conditions and provide important food and habitat for pollinators, birds, and other wildlife. The SWCD provides plant information to help customers select species based on sunlight, soil moisture, mature size, and landscape goals.

Orders must be placed by Sept. 17 and picked up at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville on Oct. 1 or 2. The sale is open to everyone; purchasers do not need to be Hamilton County residents.

To view available plants and place an order, visit hamiltonswcd.org/treesale.

Join the Blackhawk Alumni Club

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

Are you a past Sheridan Community Schools (SCS) student, teacher, or employee? If so, you should join the Blackhawk Alumni Club. This club is a collection of individuals who share the same goal of staying informed and connected with SCS.

“Sheridan Community Schools has a long and incredible history of both former Blackhawk graduates and unbelievable employees,” SCS Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy said. “We want to continue to make sure these individuals are a part of the school’s future and have a way to stay in contact, as well as involved, as

we push towards a very bright future.”

Mundy also noted the importance of staying true to the district’s motto of “Once a Blackhawk, Always a Blackhawk.”

The Blackhawk Alumni Club hopes to recognize those who have made achievements to help make the Sheridan community a better place through its main initiative, the Alumni Wall of Fame. Members will also network and connect



Mundy



with fellow alumni and employees, receive a monthly newsletter with updates on SCS events and happenings, and receive invitations to special alumni events.

“I’m part of a dedicated group of individuals whose mission is to bring together a growing, thriving school system with those – like me – who once

likes what we’re doing. Onward Sheridan!”

In order to be a part of the Blackhawk Alumni Club, there is a one-time fee of \$50. This fee will fund special events at both the Fall and Winter homecomings as well as provide a monthly newsletter to the members. Members also receive a one-of-a-kind Alumni Club T-shirt. The newsletter will be a recollection of all the great things that are going on in the community and schools.

If you are interested in being a part of the Blackhawk Alumni Club, email Dr. Mundy at dmundy@sheridan.k12.in.us or go to sheridan.revtrak.net/alumni.

roamed the halls of Dear Old SHS,” Blackhawk Alumni Club President Chuck Godby said. “I hope everyone

Historic 1856 Northern Hamilton County church celebrating 170 years

Submitted

Arcadia Brethren Church, one of the earliest and longest-running congregations in Northern Hamilton County, invites the public to a monumental double-celebration at 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 20.

The community is invited to mark the church’s 170th anniversary with a special Homecoming Service themed “Worship Songs Through the Decades.”

The anniversary service, concert, and potluck will take place at the historic church property located at 8989 E. 266th St., Arcadia.

First organized on the Indiana frontier in 1856 with just 50 members meeting in local homes and barns, Arcadia Brethren Church has stood as a beacon of faith, resilience, and community across three different centuries. This year’s Homecoming serves as a formal celebration of those 170 years of continuous ministry.

To honor this journey,

the service will feature a nostalgic musical presentation tracing the evolution of faith filled music and popular worship songs from the 1950s to the modern day. The service will highlight how the sounds of worship have changed over the decades while the church’s foundational message of faith in Jesus and caring for one another has remained unchanged.

Following the conclusion of the musical service, the church will host a traditional community potluck. Neighbors, area families, returning members, and first-time guests are all warmly invited to share a meal and enjoy a time of fellowship.

“Reaching 170 years of active ministry is a testament to the generations of families who have poured their hearts into their community,” Pastor Ben Poole said. “As we look back at our deep roots, celebrating with the spiritual songs that shaped our parents, grandparents, and youth feels like



Photo provided

The 2015 Homecoming celebration at Arcadia Brethren Church brought dozens of worshippers together, and you can be a part of a similar gathering on Sunday, Sept. 20.

the perfect way to step into our next chapter.”

The celebration is entirely free and open to everyone. The dress code is casual, and all are welcome to attend this historic milestone.

For more details regarding the anniversary, directions, or potluck logistics, please visit ComeToABC.com or call the church office at (317) 984-4137.

About Arcadia Brethren Church

Founded in 1856, Arcadia Brethren Church (ABC) is a Jesus-centered community dedicated to helping people Accept others, Believe in Jesus, and Care for one another. For 170 years, ABC has hosted weekly gatherings focused on spiritual growth, community outreach, and local fellowship in Hamilton County.

Hamilton Heights names eight August Coffee Bean award recipients

Submitted by Hamilton Heights School Corp.

Hamilton Heights High School recognizes the following students who were named as Coffee Bean Award recipients for the month of August: Gabriella Austel, Jason Bowen, Victor Bailey Taylor, Stella Clark, Elijah Etter, Riley Franklin, Quinn Nagy, and Jacob Schofield.

The name and award, inspired by The Coffee Bean, a book written by Jon Gordon and Damon West, delivers a simple, yet powerful message on pos-

itive change. All students nominated receive a certificate of recognition. At the end of the month, the names of the students who were nominated during the month are included in a drawing where the first seven names drawn are called down to the office to enjoy a hot chocolate or coffee and a donut.

The monthly award objective is to encourage more acts of kindness, positivity, school spirit, and help foster a closer sense of community at the high school. Students and staff can nom-



Photo provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation (From left) Jacob Schofield, Eli Etter, Gaby Austel, Stella Clark, Quinn Nagy, and Victor Bailey Taylor. Not pictured: Jason (Frank) Bowen and Riley Franklin.

inate students. You can send a nomination by visiting the

Student Services page at hs.hschuskies.org.

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.

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.

— Good News from Stony Creek Church of Christ —

Are you still fighting against your Maker?

Isaiah 45:9-10 gives two humorous illustrations. Imagine a pot on the potter’s wheel looking up and saying to the potter, “What do you think you are doing?” Or a newborn being born, asking its mother, “Why did you make me like this?” Foolish thoughts, are they not?

Would you agree it is foolish to argue with your Maker? But if I am honest, the person I have fought against more than anyone else in my life is God. I have fought Him nearly the whole way. If you were honest, He is someone you have fought against, too. Perhaps you still are.

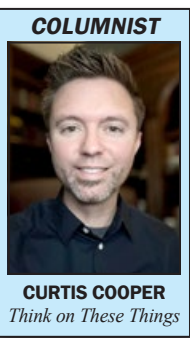
Just as Joshua records God’s conquest of Canaan city after city, Acts records God’s conquest of heart after heart by the gospel, in city after city. Yet, some fought God along the way.

In Acts 4, it was the Sanhedrin who arrested Peter and John, then threatened, released, and told them not to speak about Jesus anymore (vs. 25-26, Psalm 2:1-2).

In Acts 5, it was the Sanhedrin again, but Gamaliel warned them not to “be found fighting against God” (vs. 34-39).

In Acts 7, Stephen warned them that the Holy Spirit was trying to communicate with them through the Scriptures, the apostles, and now through Stephen, but they had hardened their hearts and were fighting against Him (vs. 51-53).

In Acts 11, Peter had finally come to learn God’s lesson and his conclusion was “Who was I that I could withstand God?” (vs. 17)



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Think on These Things

Look at one more example. In Acts 9, Saul had been fighting God all along. He consented to the death of Stephen in Acts 8:1a. He was causing havoc and persecuting the church when the gospel was spreading throughout all of Judea and Samaria (Acts 8:1b-3). He was actively fighting against God on the road to Damascus to persecute Christians (Acts 9:1-2), when he was confronted by the risen Lord, Who said, “Saul, Saul... It is hard for you to kick against the goads.” (Acts 9:4-5). A goad is a pointed stick used to direct stubborn animals. The harder they kick, the more they hurt themselves.

Jesus had been goading Saul, but he had been kicking against Him. While Jesus is certainly “the GREAT Shepherd” to those who hear and come to Him, Jesus is also a Shepherd to the lost, constantly goading people to show them there is a better way.

Here is your question: Are you kicking against His goads? Are you still fighting against God?

The main way that God goads us is with His word (Hebrews 4:12-13). His word convicts our conscience. He gets into our hearts. He makes people feel uncomfortable. Have you fought against what God says because you do not want to do it? God says, “Put away lying” (Ephesians 4:25), yet we justify dishonesty because it keeps us out of trouble, makes life easier, helps us make a sale at work, or whatever our reason. Deep down we know it is wrong. We hear or read

it, feel guilty about it, but instead of submitting to it, we harden our hearts against it. We fight against God like that (with different sins or instructions) all the time.

His word is like a sword that penetrates to the deepest parts of our being, exposing our thoughts and intentions (Hebrews 4:12-13). We see this often in Scripture.

Like in Acts 7, God pierced their hearts, only for them to fight against Him and His teacher (Acts 7:54). In Acts 2, God pierced their hearts, only for them to ask what they needed to do to make themselves right with God (Acts 2:37). Peter by inspiration responded, “Repent and be baptized for the remission (forgiveness) of your sins” (Acts 2:38). Do you keep fighting against God on this matter? We are all called to repent and be baptized (Mark 16:16; Matthew 28:19; Acts 10:47-48; 1 Peter 3:21; etc.). Yet, for whatever reason, many keep sitting in their sins and have not washed them away (Acts 22:16). Why not stop fighting against God, as the 3,000 did on Pentecost, and submit yourself to God’s will and be forgiven (Acts 2:41)?

The question is not whether God is still goading you. Through His word, He is. The question is whether you will keep kicking against the goads or finally surrender to your Maker.

Visitors are welcome and valued. We meet at 15530 Herriman Blvd., Noblesville. Our phone number is (463) 287-0664. We meet for Sunday morning Bible Study at 10 a.m. and have classes for all ages. Worship begins at 11 a.m. and we have a Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m. A warm welcome awaits!



Photos provided

Pam Bollier, Vice Regent of Horseshoe Prairie Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, read the story of Lawrence Willison’s burial in an article by Jonathan Colborn.

Caring for Noblesville’s Riverside Cemetery ... yesterday & today

Submitted by Ann Lemna
Keep Noblesville Beautiful

Editor’s note: The first part of this story was published Sept. 16, 2025. You can read that story at tinyurl.com/RiversideCemeteryPart1.

A dedication ceremony took place at Riverside Cemetery on Aug. 11 to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the cemetery and the first burial at the site. A newly installed monument and reflection garden now awaits visitors in the southwest section of the cemetery next to the river.

Lawrence Willison, a noted soldier under George Washington who fought in the Battle of Yorktown is reported to be the first burial at Riverside. He died in a log cabin on Polk Street at the approximate age of 80 in 1825.

Pam Bollier, Vice Regent of Horseshoe Prairie Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution read the story of his burial in an article by Jonathan Colborn. Members of the community were also joined

by Mayor Chris Jensen and representatives from Keep Noblesville Beautiful, Noblesville Street Department, City Clerk’s Office, Board of Public Works and Safety and Hamilton County Master Gardeners Association.

Master Gardener Allison Buriff gave a tour of the garden and explained that she and fellow Master Gardener Carla Robinson chose plants for the garden based on their patriotic colors and historical references. Many of the plants were once used for medicinal purposes, teas, and dyes and most of the plants are regional or local natives.

Buriff shared that New Jersey Tea, which served as a tea substitute during the Revolutionary War, sets the backdrop of the garden with its large white blooms in early spring. The golden Black-eyed Susan symbolizes Justice and Resilience. Blue False Indigo symbol-

izes Endurance. The cone-flower in reds and whites symbolizes Strength and Healing. Even the milkweed, which plays host to the monarch caterpillars, has a special meaning of Remembrance. Red and white peonies were also incorporated into the garden including the stunning Miss America variety. Several varieties of phlox are spread throughout the garden and symbolize Unity.

Buriff ended her tour by saying she hopes the community will enjoy spending time in nature and take time to reflect on the history and beauty that surrounds this new monument. Shortly after the dedication ceremony, historic flood waters covered the cemetery. Most of the plants made it through the storm unharmed and the reflection garden is ready for visitors once again.

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Sam’s Lemonade Stand squeezes every dollar out of one kid’s desire to help others



The seventh annual Sam's Lemonade Stand took place Sunday, Sept. 6 in Noblesville. What began as a small yet noble effort by one young man to raise money for his classmates in need has grown into a commanding fundraising effort with a \$30,000 goal. All money goes to Fueled for School, which helps pay for meals for Noblesville Schools students whose families cannot afford them. Thank you to everyone who came out to support this important cause, and thank you to Greta Speaks for performing during the festivities.

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Charles D. Woodard

March 13, 1939 – September 7, 2026



Charles D. Woodard, 87, went home to his Lord and Savior on September 7, 2026. He was born on March 13, 1939, to Morris “Don” Woodard and Marjorie (Scudder) Woodard.

Charles was a proud 1957 graduate of Indianapolis Arsenal Tech High School. He later served his country as a veteran of the United States Air Force. Following his military service, Charles worked at International Harvester before beginning a career with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, where he dedicated 33 years of service.

On September 27, 1959, Charles married the love of his life, Karen (Rousch) Woodard. Together, they built a life centered around faith, family, and service to others.

Charles was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He is survived by his wife, Karen; two daughters, Cheryl (Jeff) Heer and Dawn (Jeff) Hobson; six grandchildren, Ryan (Sarah) Heer, Jordan (Kaela) Heer, Brittany (Ben) Makin, Zachary (Amy) Hobson, Lexi Heer, and Lauren (Andy) Granados; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Charles was a member of Colonial Hills Baptist Church in Indianapolis, where his faith was an important part of his life. He was also a longtime member of the church choir. Through his words and, even more importantly, through the way he lived his life, Charles exemplified what it means to love God and love people.

His love of music also led him to become a member of the Indianapolis Barbershop Chorus, where he enjoyed sharing his love of singing with others.

In retirement, Charles faithfully served with the Widow’s Jar Ministry, giving his time and energy to help others. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, reading, drinking iced tea, and caring for his beloved dog, Sadie. Above all, Charles cherished time spent with his family and found happiness in the simple, everyday moments that made life special.

Charles will be remembered for his strong faith, kind heart, gentle spirit, love of family, and willingness to serve others. His life was a testimony to the importance of loving God and loving people, and his influence will continue through the many lives he touched.

Family and friends will gather at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 19, 2026, in Colonial Hills Baptist Church, where the Funeral Service will follow at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Widow’s Jar Ministry. Envelopes will be available at the service.

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family in arrangements.

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Carolyn Jane Crawley

December 11, 1954 – September 6, 2026



Carolyn Jane Crawley, 71, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, September 6, 2026. She was born on December 11, 1954, to the late Howard and Cecilia Joyce (Saunders) Buis in Greencastle, Ind.

Carolyn spent her formative years in Indianapolis, growing up with her eight siblings on Central Avenue. After graduating from Bishop Chatard High School, she met the love of her life, Gene, and they were married on August 11, 1973. Carolyn worked as a secretary for Buis Oil Company, and later, spent summers working at Bear Slide Golf Course. She loved spending time outside in the sun – working in the yard and tending to her plants, soaking up the rays with a book on the back deck, and vacationing on Marco Island with her toes in the sand. She had a heart of gold and the most infectious laugh. She cherished time with her family and friends, and absolutely adored her chihuahuas, Bentley and Sammy. Most of all, she loved her sons and her life revolved around them.

Carolyn is survived by her husband of 53 years, Gene Crawley; sons, Brenton Crawley (Christos) and Justin Crawley; and her siblings, Julia Ertel (Gary), Trish Berry (Jerry), John Buis (Christy), Ed Buis (Nancy), Theresa Abbott (Chuck), Anne White (Jim), Lisa Spencer (Tom) and Christine Hummel (Steve).

A celebration of life will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, October 4, 2026, at Bear Slide Golf Course, 6770 231st St., Cicero.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038 (hamilton-humane.com).

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Karen Sue (Machnik) Bolin

December 26, 1944 – September 6, 2026



Karen Sue (Machnik) Bolin, formerly Molnar, 81, Westfield, passed away September 6, 2026. She was born on December 26, 1944, in Wyandotte, Mich., daughter of Joseph and Cassie (Olkowski) Machnik.

Karen was a 1963 graduate of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel High School, Wyandotte, Mich., where she was well known and enjoyed being involved in various school activities. Following graduation, she began a career in the administration office with Wayne County, Mich., until her retirement.

Before marrying Captain John Bolin, Karen seldom traveled farther than the west coast when visiting her brothers. New opportunities became available for Karen to travel throughout the world as Captain Bolin’s wife, frequently occupying the third seat in the cockpit. During her travels, she logged an extraordinary one million air miles.

After moving to Westfield, Karen found a new source of joy when working as a school bus aide with the Washington Township Schools for five years.

As a woman of deep faith, Karen was a firm believer in Jesus Christ and Almighty God. Her faith remained steadfast and brought her strength and comfort through the years.

In addition to her parents, Karen was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Captain John Bolin; and son, Scott Molnar.

Survivors include her brothers, Joseph Machnik and Joseph Dominczyk; nephews, Joe Machnik Jr. and Michael Machnik; and grandniece, Casmira Machnik.

There are no services scheduled at this time.

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Meeting of a lifetime

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AMY SHINNEMAN

Disability in the City

Traveling to Sydney, Australia, to complete our fifth World Marathon Major, was obviously the goal for our recent trip to Australia.

Getting to meet my online friend of six years, who lives with the same genetic disease that I do, was the thread that weaved this part of my life tapestry together. While the marathon was a goal to carry out, meeting Rhi was more of a dream come true.

It is no secret for those who know me or have gotten to know me through reading my columns or blog, that I have lived with a gaping hole in my being for most of my life. I have always wanted/needed to meet someone “just like me.”

Living with a rare disease can make that difficult. I have met others with Muscular Dystrophy, but never anyone this close to my diagnosis.

When we started chatting on Instagram six years ago, we began dreaming about the day when we would meet face to face.

After arriving to Sydney on the first day, we soon realized that being in the same time zone was quite the novelty. We began excitedly messaging one another in real time!

I told her that I was struggling to stay awake until my new bedtime for the next 10 days. It was tough! She suggested that we hop on a video chat while she made dinner to pass some of my time and help me stay awake.

I eagerly accepted and soon I was watching her cook dinner for her family. I felt like I was watching myself as I watched her walk across the kitchen to get things. There were subtle nuances that I completely understood. The ways she was adapting to things was identical to me. Something

others may not have even noticed.

Fast forward a couple of days to the morning of her arrival. I woke to a message from her saying, “Ahhh today’s the day! Just got to the airport!” (She lives about eight hours from Sydney, so it was a short flight for her to get to me). My stomach was full of butterflies and nervous anticipation.

A few hours later, my husband and I anxiously waited outside of our hotel where we were to meet. Waiting those last few minutes felt like an eternity.

What would this moment be like that I had pictured thousands of times in my mind? Would I feel peace from the repair of the gaping hole? Would I meet all her expectations? It felt like a lot of pressure to put on one moment.

My heart raced as I repeatedly scanned the crowd for any sign of another wheelchair.

Suddenly, I saw her dad pushing her towards me, with her mom by their side. As soon as I started to roll towards her, a lady stepped into my pathway for an instant. It felt fitting that there would be one final obstacle to meeting someone “just like me.”

We both reached out for a hug and clung to one another. It was astonishing how quickly my gaping hole shrank. I could have endlessly sobbed in that moment, but I did not want to scare my Aussie friends away.

That moment was healing for all of us in our own ways.

As the day progressed, we strolled along side by side. The chemistry was natural and there was an aura of deep understanding surrounding the two of us. That thread that connected us together, weaving one of the most beautiful images in



Photo provided
(From left) Jamie Shinneman, Amy Shinneman, Rhi, and her mother and father.

our tapestries of life.

One thing I really wanted to do for her was let her take a spin in my duo bike. I knew exactly how much that would mean to her. I would encourage you to read her blog post that she wrote on our experience meeting. It was beautiful to read her description of that moment (livingabled.com.au/sydney-marathon-2026-a-meeting-of-a-life-time).

With her and her family at the finish line the next day, we had the motivation we desperately needed to reach the end.

On our final evening together, we enjoyed a nice dinner and had a wonderful time laughing together and getting to know each other more. There was an undertone of sadness knowing our time together was quickly ending.

How do you say goodbye to someone you waited your whole life to meet? We headed back to our hotel and were all struggling to leave one another.



Photo provided
Our columnist was finally able to meet her friend Rhi while in Australia.

With tears in all our eyes we hugged goodbye. We needed one final hug and vowed to see each other again someday.

Traveling across the world to meet Rhi and her family was everything I had ever hoped for and more. My soul felt at peace knowing hers was too. The meeting of a lifetime for both of us.

Until next time ...

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Post-White River flood: thoughts of tomorrow

COLUMNIST



KEN KLINGENMEIER

It’s 4 a.m. and I am wide awake. Our Ravenswood neighborhood is silent and dark, except for the streetlight’s sad shine. A curious cat crosses through that soft light outside the window – looking for food? Poor thing. I was hungry, too – and ate a banana.

Usually I am asleep at this hour but this morning I have a lot on my mind. Mostly, how hard this all is and will be. Harder still at age 75+.

We are at just past mid-way in the house recovery. Nineteen days ago, it was sitting in river water. Now, it has been stripped of its

contents, dried, the walls have been replaced and mudded, new ideas have been imagined and installed. Our kitchen and living room are now one big room. Our bedroom and dressing room/closet are now one big room.

Next, after the walls are sanded smooth, painting can be done – primer and color. Then new flooring. So, maybe four more days? Five? A week? Two?

Can we really be that close to moving back into our house? Bringing our stuff back in – what’s left of it – likely could take as long

as repairing the damage did. There is still a whole lot to go through there. And lots of major purchases to be made.

This journey, this very unique set of events that Mrs. K and I are going through right now, is not only a challenge full of difficulties and expense, not merely a transition to new ways of living in our damaged but soon to be renewed home, not even just a remarkable set of lessons about how generous and kind people can be – it is most of all ... at 4 a.m., I cannot think of what that might be.

Later, at 7:30, after a little more sleep, as I sit on the RV stoop with a cup of

coffee and watch the sky brighten. I can think more completely, more positively.

It all boils down to this: I love this house. I love the life Donna and I lived in it. While the old version of that was taken away so completely by the flood, tomorrow could just be better than before.

I can’t remember how many songs and poems and speeches I’ve heard that express that very idea – tomorrow is going to be okay! Right now, Fleetwood Mac is playing in my head:

Don’t stop thinkin’ about tomorrow ... Don’t stop – it’ll soon be here ... It’ll be here better than before ... Yesterday’s gone, yesterday’s gone!

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Desk buddies

When I wrote my *Joy to you and Me (at Work!)* series years ago, one column talked about the importance of making your work surroundings as uplifting as possible. I remembered this while watching the movie *9 to 5* last week with my thoughts focused, like many of us recently, on Dolly Parton.

9 to 5 showed how dramatically employee morale rose when the three main characters took over the office and allowed everyone to decorate their work areas once again. The movie may be fiction, but this point is true.

I'm blessed to work from home in the front parlor of my old house, surrounded by multiple windows. To my left sits our piano, with family artwork, my Mom's kaleidoscope, and three thriving plants on top (miraculously, I've kept them alive for two years now!) Cheerful artwork on the walls surrounds me.

To my right on my desk, I have photos of my husband, sons, siblings, and of my parents in their teens. And finally, I have what I affectionately call my "desk buddies" – Little Jesus, Praying Guy, and the Heart That Changed My Life. Everyone should have desk buddies like these.

Little Jesus is there to remind me who I really work for. My particular figurine is wearing my favorite color – blue. His cheerful smile helps lift my spirits when one of my clients receives a grant rejection (ugh!) or shares in my joy when we receive a grant award.

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.

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COLUMNIST
AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

Who will you show up for?

How do you feel going into September 2026?

It feels like just yesterday we were saying, "Happy New Year!" We were making plans, setting goals, choosing our word for the year, and telling ourselves, "This is going to be my year."

And now, somehow, we are already standing at the doorway of the final quarter. Where did the time go?

It seems like the year simply *zooped* by before I could blink.

In these first eight months, so much has changed. Some of us welcomed new beginnings. Some experienced unexpected endings. Some celebrated milestones, while others quietly navigated moments nobody else could see. We met new people, lost touch with some, changed jobs, started schools, moved homes, celebrated birthdays, and perhaps discovered new versions of ourselves along the way.

And now comes the quarter of the year that seems to fill our calendars before we even realize it.

September brings new routines. October brings fall gatherings and celebrations. November reminds us of grat-



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POOJA THAKKAR
Taste of Community

itude and family. December arrives with holidays, traditions, parties, food and, hopefully, a little time to pause.

It is the season of gathering. But before we rush into everything that is already waiting for us, I want to offer one simple invitation:

- Make your last quarter count – not by doing more, but by connecting more intentionally.
- Choose one person you have been meaning to call.
- Invite someone to your table.
- Thank someone who made a difference in your life.
- Show up for a community event you have never attended.
- Ask a neighbor how they are really doing.
- Sit beside someone who may be feeling unseen.

Because sometimes the most meaningful "good work" we can do is not measured by how much we accomplish. It is measured by how much belonging we help create.

We often enter the final months of the year thinking about what is left on our own checklist: the unfinished project, the unfulfilled goal, the places we haven't visited, the

things we haven't purchased.

But what if we created a different kind of checklist?

Who needs to hear from me? Who needs a seat at my table? Whose story have I not heard? Where can I show up? What can I do to make someone feel that they belong? Maybe that becomes our fourth-quarter goal.

Not perfection. Not productivity. Not another race against the clock.

Just presence.

The holidays have a way of reminding us that food tastes better when shared, celebrations feel richer when others are included, and traditions become more meaningful when stories travel from one generation to another.

So, as September begins, I am choosing to look at these final months not as the end of the year, but as one more opportunity to build community.

We may not be able to slow down the calendar.



Photo by Pooja Thakkar

But we can slow down enough to notice one another.

Before 2026 *zoops* away, let's make one intentional choice: leave a little more kindness, connection and belonging wherever we go.

Because when the year ends, perhaps the best question won't be, "How much did I get done?" It will be, "Whose life was a little better because I showed up?"

That, to me, would be a year worth finishing strong.

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

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.

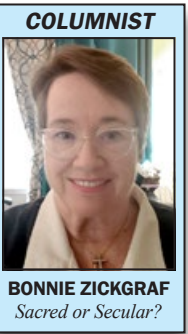
I was quite proud of myself, too, ordering a grocery delivery from Walmart, and all just by using my cell phone from bed (and not from my laptop as I typically do).

Wow, at age 72, does this make me officially "tech-savvy" like the younger generation now? Many "youngers" 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 and into the living room, greeted by



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BONNIE ZICKGRAF
Sacred or Secular?

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 later, 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!

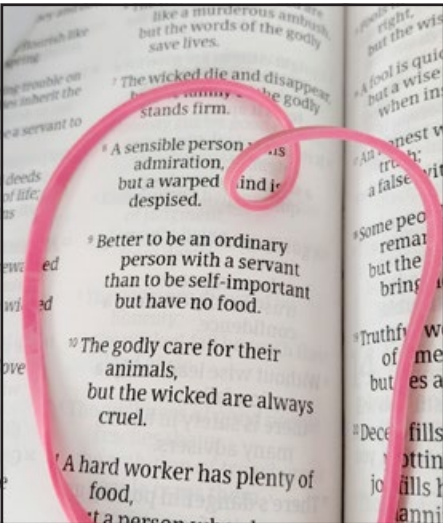
(Samuel, by the way, was a leader in Israel and a prophet after God's call and a judge who anointed Kings. Now that's some delivery driver!)

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!

We don't have a "servant" as we might think of from historical times.

But we do have a shepherd that shops at Walmart.



Photos provided by Bonnie Zickgraf

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.

Hamilton County Councilman Mark Hall's August Timesheet

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



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MARK HALL
The Timesheet

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 Benefits 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

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Rest In Peace, Miss Blue

September vibes

“You think those dogs won’t 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.

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SHARON McMAHON
Be Well

ble. 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 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 being 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 deci-

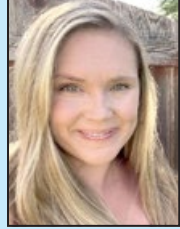


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sions on how to best go forward with any treatment or

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MEGAN RATHZ
When Nature Speaks

picnics outdoors with my family.

I love the excitement of my kids and teaching my daughter how to bake pumpkin bread. We may try our hand at an apple crisp this year, too. I love going to Conner Pra-

rie and checking out their Apple Store. If you want to try the best caramel apples, check it out!

My son is all about football at this age and I love seeing him not only begin to learn to play the game but also cheer for a team and his excitement of wearing a jersey like his dad.

I love going to Spencer Farm to the winery and picking sunflowers. I love the various Oktoberfest festivals. I love roasting s’mores. I love seeing the little kids at my school collect acorns and pinecones as though they are treasures.

This is the perfect time of year to find live outdoor music and enjoy time with family and friends. I love turning my porch over to the season of fall.

The memories made this season are some of the best of the year. There are so many opportunities to do special things with the people that I love most. I also love that my husband and I are celebrating being together for 15 years this September, which makes this month even more special. I love everything about this special season and the people I get to spend it with.

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

Perspectives from Sheridan High School Students

My friends over the years

Editor’s note: The Sheridan Student Column is brought to readers by Sheridan High School’s Accelerated English 9 class, taught by Ellie Arrowood.

When I first moved to Sheridan, I was in the third grade. Neither my family nor I knew anyone here, as we had moved from Lawrence and had lived in

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DANIEL HMIELEWSKI
Sheridan High School Student

Michigan before that. The transition was fairly easy, and it wasn’t difficult to make friends. I like to help my friends out whenever I can, since they helped me settle in when I moved to Sheridan.

Here at Sheridan, I have stuck with mostly the same friend group. The people who were easiest to make

friends with were those in the same class as me. I have occasionally lost and gained friends, either from them moving to/away from the school, or just no longer having the same interests. I can be friends with pretty much anyone, but I prefer if they have some things in common. For example, I enjoy going outside, which means I like to be friends with people who like to go outdoors.

My friends mean a lot

to me, especially the ones from the start. They stuck with me through the rest of elementary school and all of middle school. There are a lot of cool things I have learned from my friends over the years. I appreciate having people to talk to and hang out with.

I believe that friends are important, and that everyone should have some. They bring joy to your life and can help you out in tough situations.

Skateboarding’s impact on my life

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Skateboarding is an action sport where the skater performs tricks on a board with trucks and four wheels. They perform grinds, flips, and slides.

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MICAH SMOOT
Sheridan High School Student

To me, skateboarding is a lifestyle and culture rooted in individualism, subculture, art, and creativity. Skateboarding is an art form in the sense that it takes mastery and skill to preform visually appealing tricks and video parts. The culture is deeply rooted in anti-culture, uniqueness, community,

and individualism.

I personally got into skateboarding through the culture being around me as a kid. My brother and the people I would see skating around places I would go deeply inspired me to pick up skating. Since I was around 12, my biggest passion has been skateboarding. I quickly gained a passion for skating through my immersion in the culture and my love for the process of skating.

The reason I’m passionate about skateboarding is that I feel I can reach full creativity and full expression when I am on the board. I truly believe that it is the most embracing community. I have met so many cool people and had so many experiences in the community, and they have been some of the realest people I have ever met.

I truly believe skating has greatly impacted my life and my passions.

Girls soccer prepares for Paul Loggan Invitational

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Sheridan women’s soccer is off to a strong start, with two 10-0 wins.

The starting lineup consists of Delaney Bell in goal, Avery Hills as a striker, Emily Berner and

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FRANCES STITES
Sheridan High School Student

Brielle Garner as wings, Sadie Timme and Savannah Kirlin as midfielders, Molly Pottorff and Bailey Whitacre as central defenders, and Lucy Marquis and Jada Treitsch as outside defenders.

This group is great at finding passes and communicating with one another. The team works together as a unit, which is an improve-

ment from the very beginning of the season. At the first few practices, nearly all of the teammates were unfamiliar with each other, so they didn’t play well together. Now, the team is familiar, and friendships have been formed.

The upcoming tournament is the Paul Loggan Invitational. The tournament honors Coach Paul Loggan and raises athletic funds. Friday night, Sheridan will play Plainfield at 5:30 p.m. on North Central’s field 1.

Saturday morning, Sheridan will be playing against Noblesville at 9 a.m., also on North Central’s field 1.

Sheridan will need to keep possession of the ball, and the defensive line needs to communicate well. We will also need to continue to train hard and stay positive. These things will help our team to be better because these schools are much bigger than us, and we just need to use these games as a learning experience.

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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

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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.

Mark Hall is a Hamilton County Councilman representing District 3. Every month he brings readers a summary of council action in his column, The Timesheet. Feel free to contact him at (317) 832-1104 or mark.hall@hamilton-county.in.gov with questions, feedback, or if you would like to talk about county business.

CICERO

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CICERO, INDIANA

Notice is hereby given that on October 6, 2026, at 7 p.m. a public hearing will be held by the Cicero Town Council in the Cicero Town Hall, 70 N Byron, Cicero, IN 46034, Cicero, IN, to hear evidence and public comment concerning the adoption of Ordinance 09-15-2026-01, annexing contiguous lands into the Town of Cicero. This ordinance is being considered pursuant to petitions requesting annexation signed and submitted by 100% of the properties’ owners as permitted under IC 36-4-3-5.1.

The area proposed for annexation is generally described as the following: Approximately 187.6 acres located along the north side of 216th Street between Stringtown Pike and State Road 19 to the South of Cicero. More accurately, the properties considered for annexation include parcels:

- 03-06-12-00-00-014.000
- 03-06-12-00-00-012.000
- 03-06-12-00-00-011.000
- 03-06-12-00-00-014.003
- 03-06-12-00-00-014.004
- 03-06-12-00-00-012.002
- 03-06-12-00-00-012.003
- 03-06-12-00-00-012.004
- 03-06-12-00-00-011.001
- 03-06-12-00-00-009.008

The complete file on this project, including a survey and full, legal description of the annexation area, is available for inspection during normal, business hours at the Clerk-Treasurer’s Office located in Cicero Town Hall, 331 E. Main Street, Cicero, IN.

The Public Hearing is open to all and the opportunity to speak will be offered to all. Written comments filed with the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Cicero on or before 4pm on October 6, 2026, will be considered. Written comments may be submitted via email to rgary@townofcicero.in.gov, submitted by mail to P.O. Box 650, Cicero, Indiana 46034, or hand delivered to the Clerk Treasurer’s Office. Written comments will also be accepted during the Public Hearing. The Hearing may be continued from time to time as necessary.

Dated this 11th day of September, 2026.
By Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer of the Town of Cicero, Indiana.
R8666 9/14/26

NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING Board of Zoning Appeals City of Noblesville, Indiana

This notice is to inform you of a Public Hearing that will be held by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals on the 5th day of October, 2026. This hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, Noblesville City Hall at 16 South 10th Street. A live stream of the meeting will be available on the City’s YouTube page at www.youtube.com/@CityofNoblesville. The applications submitted by Jack Whitsitt, Church Church Hittle + Antrim on behalf of McGavic Properties LLC request that approval be granted to: (a) Conditional Use application BZNA-000180-2026, pursuant to UDO § 8.D.1.D and Appendix C, to authorize the continued automobile sales, service, and storage in association with a commercial landscaping equipment business on property in the I-1 (Light Industrial) zoning district; (b) Conditional Use application BZNA-000181-2026, pursuant to UDO § 8.D.1.D and Appendix C, to authorize outdoor sales and/or display for a commercial landscaping equipment dealer in the I-1 (Light Industrial) zoning district; (c) Variance of Development Standards application BZNA-000184-2026, pursuant to UDO § 8.H.8.B, to address the applicability of the SR-32 Overlay District and permit the subject property to deviate from the applicable SR-32 Overlay District standards; (d) Variance of Development Standards application BZNA-000185-2026, pursuant to UDO § 12.5.C, to permit relief from the required interior parking lot landscaping; (e) Variance of Development Standards application BZNA-000187-2026, pursuant to UDO § 12.6, to permit relief from building base landscaping requirements; and (f) Variance of Development Standards application BZNA-000189-2026, pursuant to UDO §12.5.D.2, to permit relief from the perimeter parking lot landscaping requirements in association with the proposed building addition and property improvements on the property located at 2280 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46062.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the application above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting, and will be heard by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will have an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place.

A list of each appointed officer’s name, their appointing authority, and term dates is available at www.noblesville.in.gov/boards. This hearing may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development at 16 South 10th Street, Suite B140 and may be reviewed during regular office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A copy of the file may also be viewed on the Department of Planning website, <http://www.cityofnoblesville.org/planning>, by clicking the Boards & Committees button, clicking the icon on the map relating to this location and selecting the application materials link.

Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals
Caleb Gutshall, Secretary
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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 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

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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.

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HAMILTON COUNTY

NOTICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SALE

Hamilton County Indiana
Beginning 10:00 AM Local Time,
October 08, 2026

2nd Floor Historic Courtroom, 33 N 9th St., Noblesville, In 46060
Hamilton County

Pursuant to the laws of the Indiana General Assembly, notice is hereby given that the following described property is listed for sale for delinquent taxes and/or special assessments.

The county auditor and county treasurer will apply on or after 09/21/2026 for a court judgment against the tracts or real property for an amount that is not less than the amount set out below and for an order to sell the tracts or real property at public auction to the highest bidder, subject to the right of redemption. Any defense to the application for judgment must be filed with the Hamilton County Superior #3 Court and served on the county auditor and treasurer before 09/21/2026. The court will set a date for a hearing at least seven (7) days before the advertised date of sale and the court will determine any defenses to the application for judgment at the hearing. The county auditor and the county treasurer are entitled to receive all pleadings, motions, petitions, and other filings related to the defense to the application for judgment.

Such sale will be held on 10/08/2026 at the 2nd Floor Historic Courtroom, 33 N 9th St., Noblesville, In 46060 and that sale will continue until all tracts and real property have been offered for sale. At the discretion of local officials, the tax sale may switch to an online format. If those measures are taking place, the public auction will be conducted as an electronic sale under IC 6-1.1-24-2 (b) 10 at www.zeusauction.com commencing on the same date/time listed above. All location updates will be posted at www.sriservices.com prior to the tax sale.

Property will not be sold for an amount which is less than the sum of:

- (A) the delinquent taxes and special assessments on each tract or item of real property; and
- (B) the taxes and special assessments on the real property that are due and payable in the year of the sale, whether or not they are delinquent; and
- (C) all penalties due on the delinquencies, and
- (D) an amount prescribed by the county auditor that equals the sum of:
 - (1) sixty-five dollars (\$65) for postage and publication costs; and
 - (2) any other costs incurred by the county that are directly attributable to the tax sale; and
- (E) any unpaid costs due under IC 6-1.1-24-2(c) from a prior tax sale.

No property listed below shall be sold if, at any time before the sale, the Total Amount for Judgment is paid in full. If the real property is sold in the tax sale, the amount required to redeem such property will be 110% of the minimum bid for which the tract or real property was offered at the time of sale, if redeemed not more than six (6) months after the date of sale, or 115% of the minimum bid for which the tract or real property was offered at the time of sale, if redeemed more than six (6) months after the date of sale, plus the amount by which the purchase price exceeds the minimum bid on the real property plus five percent (5%) per annum interest on the amount by which the purchase price exceeds the minimum bid on the property. All taxes and special assessments upon the property paid by the purchaser subsequent to the sale, plus five percent (5%) per annum interest on those taxes and special assessments, will also be required to be paid to redeem such property.

In addition, IC 6-1.1-25-2 (e) states the total amount required for redemption may include the following costs incurred and paid by the purchaser or the purchaser's assignee or the county before redemption: (1) The attorney's fees and cost of giving notice under IC 6-1.1-25-4.5; (2) The costs of title search or examining and update the abstract of title for the tract or item of real property. The period of redemption shall expire on Friday, October 08, 2027 for certificates sold in the tax sale. For certificates struck to the county, the period of redemption may expire Friday, February 05, 2027.

If the tract or item of real property is sold for an amount more than the minimum bid and the property is not redeemed, the owner of record of the property who is divested of ownership at the time the tax deed is issued may have a right to the tax sale surplus. The Auditor and Treasurer specifically reserve the right to withhold from the sale any parcel which has been listed in error, or which otherwise becomes ineligible for sale either prior to 10/08/2026 or during the duration of the sale.

This notice of real property tax sale, and the tax sale itself are undertaken and will be conducted pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of Indiana which regulate the sale of land for delinquent taxes, pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-24-1 et seq.

The County does not warrant the accuracy of the street address or common description of the property, and a misstatement in the key number or street address does not invalidate an otherwise valid sale.

Minimum bid amounts are prescribed by law and are subject to change prior to the auction date.

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-24-3(e), property descriptions may be omitted for properties appearing on the certified list in consecutive years. A complete property list may be obtained at www.sriservices.com or in an alternative form upon request.

Registration For Bidding On The Tax Sale:

If you are interested in bidding on the tax sale for an Indiana county, you may register online at https://sriservices.com/. This registration is good for all counties that SRI services. You need to register only once for all counties. Make sure to bring the completed form with you to each sale. This will speed up the registration process for you the morning of the sale. If you do not have access to a computer with internet service you may register the morning of the sale.

Please arrive the morning of the tax sale at least 30 minutes before the beginning time to be assured you will receive your bid number before the start of the sale.

Please bring your registration form and W9 form with you the morning of the tax sale. You will be able to print these forms from the registration web site.

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-24-5.1 a business entity that seeks to register to bid at the Hamilton County Tax Sale must provide a Certificate of Existence or Foreign Registration Statement in accordance with IC 5-23 from the Secretary of State to the Hamilton County Treasurer.

Dated: 09/14/2026

292600004 01-01-34-00-00-012.000 \$2,446.01 Goat Land LLC Acreage 19.32, Section 34, Township 20, Range 3 0 Six Points Rd Sheridan IN 46069
292600005 01-05-03-00-00-019.000 \$12,369.25 Indy Flipper LLC Acreage 35.00, Section 3, Township 19, Range 3 1210 W State Road 38 Sheridan IN 46069
292600008 01-05-07-00-00-001.101 \$3,896.33 Beard, Larry L Acreage 2.50, Section 7, Township 19, Range 3 22517 Hamilton Boone Co Rd Sheridan IN 46069
292600010 02-01-31-04-04-025.000 \$719.30 Stewart, David W Acreage .00, Section 31, Township 20, Range 3, THISTLETHWAITE PARK, Lot Pt 56 0 Elm Ave Sheridan IN 46069

292600011 02-01-32-01-02-001.000 \$5,259.53 Graber, David Kolten & Kelly Diane h&w & David Trent Acreage .00, Section 32, Township 20, Range 3, BOXLEY ORG/SHERIDAN, Lot 3, Block 1 101 S California St Sheridan IN 46069
292600012 02-01-32-01-06-029.000 \$1,116.23 Stewart, David Acreage .00, Section 32, Township 20, Range 3, SQUIRE OWENS IST ADDITION, Section 1, Vacated: Pt John St 0 E 1st St Sheridan IN 46069
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292600015 02-01-32-03-10-045.000 \$8,618.50 Sapp Properties LLC Acreage .00, Section 32, Township 20, Range 3, J H COX, Lot 4, Block 7 601 E 10th St Sheridan IN 46069

292600016 02-01-32-03-14-015.000 \$12,148.83 Legacy Images LLC Acreage .00, Section 32, Township 20, Range 3, THISTLETHWAITE S 4, Lot 12 & Pt 11, Block 1 516 S Main St Sheridan IN 46069

292600017 02-01-32-03-16-025.000 \$8,805.05 Engels, Michael K & Robyn L Jolson Engels h&w Acreage .00, Section 32, Township 20, Range 3, HIGBEE SEC 1, Lot 6, Block 7 205 W 4th St Sheridan IN 46069

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292600033 06-02-01-01-08-026.000 \$63,564.51 Bledsoe, Fennis Acreage .00, Section 1, Township 20, Range 4, WALTON'S 2ND & ATL IMP CO IST, Lot 2, 3 & Pt 4, Block 9 315 S Railroad St Atlanta IN 46031

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292600039 07-07-09-03-01-004.000 \$766.28 Johnson, Niles J Acreage .00, Section 9, Township 19, Range 5, RIVERWOOD, Lot Pt 1 60 Miami Dr Noblesville IN 46062

292600040 07-07-10-00-00-014.001 \$5,751.76 Griffin, Scott L Acreage 2.89, Section 10, Township 19, Range 5 22541 Essig Ave Noblesville IN 46060

292600041 08-05-14-03-02-018.001 \$291.04 Hutchens, Anthony W & Roseanne S Acreage .03, Section 14, Township 19, Range 5 0 Roberts Dr Sheridan IN 46069

30, Township 19, Range 4, BROOKVIEW PLACE, Section 1, Lot 27 18922 Crestview Ct Westfield IN 46074

292600045 08-05-13-00-01-072.000 \$43,786.51 Montgomery, Travis J Acreage .43, Section 13, Township 19, Range 3, CHATHAM HILLS, Section 3, Lot K73, Irregular Shape 20807 Chatham Ridge Blvd Westfield IN 46074

292600046 08-05-31-04-04-001.000 \$735.36 Stalanaker, Charles H Acreage .00, Section 31, Township 19, Range 3, JOLIETVILLE, Lot 7 4015 Madison St Sheridan IN 46069

292600047 08-05-31-04-04-002.001 \$3,817.23 Stalanaker, Charles Acreage .16, Section 31, Township 19, Range 3, JOLIETVILLE, Lot 8 4015 Madison St Sheridan IN 46069

292600048 08-05-31-04-04-003.000 \$7,455.40 C & S Sandblasting and Welding LLC Acreage .33, Section 31, Township 19, Range 3, JOLIETVILLE, Lot 9 & 10 4009 Madison St Sheridan IN 46069

292600049 08-05-31-04-04-008.000 \$445.06 Stalanaker, Charles H Acreage .00, Section 31, Township 19, Range 3, Vacated: Alley 0 Madison St Sheridan IN 46069

292600050 08-05-33-03-03-002.000 \$6,435.57 Stalanaker, Charles H Jr Acreage 1.30, Section 33, Township 19, Range 3 17642 Commercial St Westfield IN 46074

292600051 08-05-33-03-03-003.000 \$10,363.63 Stalanaker, Charles Acreage .44, Section 33, Township 19, Range 3, EAGLETOWN, Lot 13 & 11 17623 Washington St Westfield IN 46074

292600052 08-05-33-03-03-005.000 \$5,552.81 Stalanaker, Charles H Acreage .69, Section 33, Township 19, Range 3, EAGLETOWN, Lot 12, Irregular Shape, Additional Legal Description: Lot 44 Elijah Davis Sec 2 (EAGLETOWN) 17620 Commercial St Westfield IN 46074

292600053 08-05-33-03-03-008.000 \$3,751.64 Cline, Sherri Acreage .00, Section 33, Township 19, Range 3, EAGLETOWN, Lot 7 2022 W State Road 32 Westfield IN 46074

292600054 08-05-33-03-03-009.000 \$704.66 Stalanaker, Charles H Jr Acreage .00, Section 33, Township 19, Range 3, EAGLETOWN, Lot 8 2024 W State Road 32 Westfield IN 46074

292600056 08-06-32-00-15-006.000 \$15,208.18 JEBCO Properties LLC Acreage .00, Section 32, Township 19, Range 4, ANDOVER PLACE TOWNHOMES HPR, Square Feet (condo) 2,379.00, Building 2, Phase 2, Unit F, % of Common Area 4028 Bullfinch Way Westfield IN 46062

292600057 08-09-10-00-02-010.000 \$9,741.16 Rios, Juan Manuel Jr & Elsa Patricia h&w Acreage .34, Section 10, Township 18, Range 3, CROSSWIND COMMONS, Section 2, Lot 44 621 Zephyr Way Westfield IN 46074

292600058 08-09-13-00-00-020.002 \$281.24 Ressler, William & Joy h&w Acreage .09, Section 13, Township 18, Range 3, LEGACY OAKS, Section 1A, Irregular Shape, Common Area A.1 14602 Fox Bend Ct Carmel IN 46032

292600059 08-09-13-03-01-018.000 \$299.74 Ressler, William & Joy h&w Acreage .03, Section 13, Township 18, Range 3, VILLAGE FARMS, Section 1, Block A 0 Oak Ridge Rd Carmel IN 46032

292600060 08-09-14-02-03-009.000 \$11,546.00 Weixler, Patricia Ann Trustee Weixler Lvg Trst Acreage .00, Section 14, Township 18, Range 3, VILLAGE FARMS, Section 2, Lot 93, Irregular Shape 530 E Greyhound Pass Carmel IN 46032

292600061 08-09-16-00-01-009.000 \$6,626.96 Nefouse, Shelby Helene Acreage .13, Section 16, Township 18, Range 3, HARMONY, Section 6, Lot 461 1738 Wellpark Dr Westfield IN 46074

292600062 08-10-07-00-00-007.003 \$464.11 Parker, R Thomas & Vicki Morton Acreage .14, Section 7, Township 18, Range 4 16101 Oak Rd Westfield IN 46074

292600063 08-10-08-00-00-025.004 \$13,641.23 Southpark Property Group LLC Acreage .10, Section 8, Township 18, Range 4 4728 Limerick Dr, Suite A Carmel IN 46033

292600064 08-10-17-00-26-015.000 \$14,352.05 Mohr, Sara Ann Acreage .04, Section 17, Township 18, Range 4, BRIDGEWATER CLUB, Replat Information: Blocks HJ,K,L,M,N, Pt R in Bridgewater Club Sec J, Section J, Lot 15 15389 Mystic Rock Dr Carmel IN 46033

292600065 09-05-36-04-05-004.000 \$7,518.70 Feng, Sida Acreage .00, Section 36, Township 19, Range 3, NEWBY'S WESTFIELD HEIGHTS, Section 2, Lot 59 223 Creekwood Dr Westfield IN 46074

292600067 09-06-31-00-01-012.000 \$6,504.22 Anderson, Laurie Acreage .19, Section 31, Township 19, Range 4, WILLOW CREEK, Section 1, Lot 113 17713 White Willow Dr Westfield IN 46074

292600069 09-06-31-03-01-005.000 \$10,951.88 Club Wag Investments LLC, Acreage .46, Section 31, Township 19, Range 4 205 E Hoover St Westfield IN 46074

292600070 09-06-32-00-00-025.112 \$385.59 Grassy Branch Partners LLC Acreage .16, Section 32, Township 19, Range 4, GRASSY BRANCH COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION, Replat Information: Replat, Irregular Shape, Additional Legal Description: Trailway Block B 0 E State Road 32 Westfield IN 46074

292600071 09-06-32-00-00-025.212 \$390.96 Grassy Branch Partners LLC Acreage .20, Section 32, Township 19, Range 4, GRASSY BRANCH COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION, Replat Information: Replat, Irregular Shape, Additional Legal Description: Trailway Block B 0 E State Road 32 Westfield IN 46074

292600072 09-06-32-00-00-025.502 \$370.26 Grassy Branch Partners LLC Acreage .42, Section 32, Township 19, Range 4, GRASSY BRANCH COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION, Replat Information: Replat, Block A, Irregular Shape 0 E State Road 32 Westfield IN 46074

292600073 09-06-32-00-02-036.000 \$6,264.64 Hahn, Christopher Trustee Joseph D & Jean A Hahn 2010 Rev Trust Acreage .21, Section 32, Township 19, Range 4, GRASSY KNOLL, Section 2, Lot 65 3327 Redbud Ct Westfield IN 46074

292600074 09-09-01-02-08-015.000 \$6,294.65 Gripp, Kimber R Acreage .44, Section 1, Township 18, Range 3 437 S Union St Westfield IN 46074

292600077 09-10-06-00-04-007.000 \$6,965.08 Fischer, Douglas J & Lisa D Acreage .42, Section 6, Township 18, Range 4, PINES OF WESTFIELD, Section 2, Lot 9 2326 Corsican Cir Westfield IN 46074

292600078 08-09-10-00-00-028.015 \$7,616.27 Mujica, Jesus F & Yareli N h&w Acreage 6.95, Section 10, Township 18, Range 3 15915 Ditch Rd Westfield IN 46074

292600080 10-06-24-04-04-007.000 \$1,367.94 Crabtree, Mary Beth Acreage .00, Section 24, Township 19, Range 4 0 Cicero Rd Noblesville IN 46060

292600081 10-07-16-00-02-002.000 \$4,149.26 Gambrell, Clinton Acreage 1.00, Section 16, Township 19, Range 5 21065 Rustic Wood Ct Noblesville IN 46062

292600082 10-07-16-02-02-018.000 \$2,632.50 Steven M Bales Enterprises LLC Acreage .00, Section 16, Township 19, Range 5, RIVERWOOD, Lot 160 160 Tippecanoe Dr Noblesville IN 46062

292600084 10-07-16-02-05-009.000 \$3,650.52 Rushmore Technology Inc Acreage .00, Section 16, Township 19, Range 5, SIMMERMAN, Lot Pt 1 21277 Clare Ave Noblesville IN 46060

292600088 10-10-15-00-00-023.000 \$370.26 Hazel Dell LLC Acreage .14, Section 15, Township 18, Range 4 0 E 146th St Noblesville IN 46062

292600089 10-10-15-00-00-024.000 \$370.26 Hazel Dell LLC Acreage 2.68, Section 15, Township 18, Range 4 0 Hazel Dell Rd Noblesville IN 46062

292600090 10-11-08-00-08-008.000 \$9,034.81 Noelle, Albert & Janis C Acreage .21, Section 8, Township 19, Range 5, ARBOR GROVE, Section 3, Lot 50, Irregular Shape 16027 Arbor Grove Blvd Noblesville IN 46060

292600091 10-11-09-00-31-054.000 \$11,434.13 Arnia Rentals LLC Acreage .16, Section 9, Township 18, Range 5, BROOKS FARM, Section 4, Lot 206 11401 Dippers Ln Noblesville IN 46060

292600092 11-06-15-00-00-002.000 \$7,627.36 Hickey, Brian & Amy h&w Acreage 1.00, Section 15, Township 19, Range 4 6002 E 211th St Noblesville IN 46062

292600093 11-06-16-00-00-013.001 \$2,379.26 Waterfront 222 LLC Acreage 2.60, Section 16, Township 19, Range 4 0 Little Chicago Rd Noblesville IN 46062

292600094 11-06-23-02-03-018.000 \$1,288.57 Houston, Connor Acreage .16, Section 23, Township 19, Range 4, CRYSTAL LAKE, Replat Information: Replat, Lot 19 20152 Marie Ct Noblesville IN 46062

292600095 11-06-25-04-01-008.000 \$8,212.73 Hood, James A & Mary Lou Roth Acreage .00, Section 25, Township 19, Range 4, FOREST HILL ESTATES, Section 2, Lot 34 & Pt 33 818 Forest Ridge Dr Noblesville IN 46060

292600097 11-06-27-02-03-008.000 \$5,729.83 Hicks, Derek Neal Acreage .53, Section 27, Township 19, Range 4, SOUTH HARBOUR, Section 18, Lot 715 1015 South Harbour Dr Noblesville IN 46062

292600098 11-07-30-04-04-018.000 \$4,028.75 Norris, Shelley R Acreage .23, Section 30, Township 19, Range 5, FAIRFIELD FARMS, Section 1, Lot 49 18924 Fairfield Blvd Noblesville IN 46060

292600099 11-07-31-01-01-022.000 \$4,677.06 McAlister, Mark Acreage .00, Section 31, Township 19, Range 5, JONATHAN EVANS IST, Lot Pt 2 & Pt 3, Irregular Shape 700 N 9th St Noblesville IN 46060

292600101 11-07-31-04-02-026.000 \$7,156.97 Whitson, Amanda L Acreage .00, Section 31, Township 19, Range 5, PLEASANT ACRES, Lot 49 518 James Dr Noblesville IN 46060

292600102 11-07-31-06-01-028.000 \$5,952.43 Feng, Sida Acreage .00, Section 31, Township 19, Range 5, BROADVIEW MANOR, Lot 4 1420 Hamilton Dr Noblesville IN 46060

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— SHERIDAN —

Public Notice
The following will be sold for charges:
3849 W STATE ROAD 47 SHERIDAN on 10/2/2026 @ 12:00PM
• 1999 CHEVROLET IGNEK13R5XR129137 \$2,575.00
R8615 9/14/26

— NOBLESVILLE —

PUBLIC NOTICE
Request for Proposal/Qualifications. Hamilton East Public Library is requesting Statements of Proposal/Qualifications from interested professionals for Preconstruction and Construction Services for the Hamilton East Public Library 3rd Branch at Olivo Rd. In accordance with IC 5-32-3-2, Hamilton East Public Library County, Indiana, invites any and all qualified parties to submit Statements of Proposal/Qualifications, to provide preconstruction services & construct the Hamilton East Public Library 3rd Branch at Olivo Rd., in Hamilton County, Indiana. An electronic PDF of the Statement of Proposal/Qualifications should be emailed to Melissa Loisel, Library Director at loisellem@hamiltoneastpl.org and Matthew Mason, Owner Representative at mmason@veridusadvisors.com by 3:00 pm EST on Thursday, September 24th, 2026 in order to be considered. Additional information and a packet outlining submittal requirements will be available at Hamilton East Public Library Branches (Noblesville / Fishers) and may be emailed by reaching out to Melissa Loisel at loisellem@hamiltoneastpl.org
R8616 9/7/26, 9/14/26

— FISHERS —

**CITY OF FISHERS
REQUEST FOR BIDS**
From: City of Fishers
Fleet Management
7228 Pymbrooke Circle
Fishers, Indiana 46038
Date: September 9, 2026
Equipment: Seven (7) Crew Cab Flatbed Trucks
Notice is hereby given that the City of Fishers ("Fishers") will receive sealed bids ("Bid") for the above-described "Equipment" at the City of Fishers Department of Fleet Management at 7228 Pymbrooke Circle Fishers, Indiana 46038 until 9am on EST on September 21, 2026. No late Bids will be accepted. This Bid is to purchase Seven (7) crew cab flatbed trucks, which is more specifically described in the Bid Specifications ("Specifications"). This Bid only contains a base Bid with no alternatives. Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of the Specifications and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids.
Fishers reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informalities and to accept the Bid that it deems most favorable to Fishers after all Bids have been examined and reviewed. If Fishers does not receive a Bid from a responsible and responsive offeror, Fishers may purchase the vehicle pursuant to Ind. Code §5-22-10 et seq. All Bids are subject to approval by the Board of Public Works and Safety.
Tabatha Miller
Director of Fleet Management
https://fishersin.gov
R8617 9/7/26, 9/14/26

— WESTFIELD —

Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS will be received:
BY AND AT: Hagerman, Inc.
C/O Westfield Washington School Corporation
Administration Building
19500 Tomlinson Road
Westfield, IN 46074
Attn: Dr. Greg Hunt
FOR A NEW: Westfield Middle School West - SR32 & Centennial Road Roundabout Construction
17707 Centennial Road
Westfield, IN 46074
(New Project Address)
Until: 11:00 A.M., local time, Thursday, October 1, 2026
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Construction of a New Roundabout at SR32 & Centennial Road as a part of the new Westfield Washington Schools Westfield Middle School West project.
RECEIPT OF BIDS: Bids received by mail or other carrier must be addressed to: Hagerman, Inc. c/o Greg Hunt, Westfield Washington School Corp. Administration Building, 19500 Tomlinson Rd., Westfield, IN 46074 and received on or before 11:00 A.M., Thursday, October 1, 2026, to be valid. Bids received after the designated day and time listed above will be returned unopened. Any postal/courier service is the agent of the Bidder.
BID OPENING: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on Thursday, October 1, 2026, at 11:00 A.M., local time, at Westfield Washington School Corp. Administration Building, 19500 Tomlinson Rd., Westfield, IN 46074.
PRE-BID MEETING: A pre-bid meeting for interested parties will be held on Thursday, September 24th, 2026, at 11:00 A.M., local time. The meeting will be held at the Westfield Washington School Corp. Administration Building located at 19500 Tomlinson Road, Westfield, IN 46074. (Note: Site visit to follow Pre-bid meeting).
CONTRACT TYPE: The project(s) will be constructed utilizing the Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc) delivery method for public work. The Construction Manager will contract with multiple First Tier Subcontractors for the Bid item listed below, with bids received on a lump sum basis, not unit prices, for the bid item. Each proposal shall include all labor, equipment, and materials necessary to complete the project in strict accordance with the Construction Drawings, Project Schedule, Project Contract Manual and Technical Specifications.
The Construction Manager will receive sealed Bids for the following Bid Items of work:
Bid Package #06 - Bid Item #33 SR32 & Centennial Road Roundabout Construction Work
(Note: Bid Package 01 through Bid Package 05, Bid Item #01 through Bid Item #32 previously bid.)
SUBCONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION: All prospective bidders for the new SR32 & Centennial Road Roundabout project are required to complete the Hagerman Inc. Corporate Prequalification process as condition before the subcontract award or the issuance of the subcontract agreement. This includes safety, experience, and financials. Directions and the link for prequalification can be found online at https://www.thehagermangroup.com/contact. Prequalification information is required to be updated annually to maintain an active prequalification status. If you have prequalification-specific questions, please email them to Chris Combs (Prequalification Manager) at CCombs@HagermanGC.com or call 317.577.6836. All prequalification documents must be submitted by subcontractors for this project by **11:00 A.M. September 21st, 2026.**
Documents Prepared by:
CSO Architects Inc.
8831 Keystone Crossing
Indianapolis, IN 46240
A&F Engineering
8365 Keystone Crossing, Suite 201
Indianapolis, IN 46240
Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc)
Hagerman, Inc.
10315 Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038-2017
BID DOCUMENTS: Interested Prime Bidders may purchase Bidding Documents at Eastern Engineering. Documents will be available on or after September 4th, 2026. Documents are available electronically by contacting: Mike Holtkamp, Hagerman, MHoltkamp@Hagermange.com or Cell: 317.627.2138
Hagerman, Inc. Main Office (Fishers, IN): 317.577.6836
Michael Uhrig, Hagerman, MUhrig@Hagermange.com or Cell: 317.317.4937
Hagerman, Inc. Main Office (Fishers, IN): 317.577.6836
Documents will also be available from Eastern Engineering
http://distribution.easternengineering.com/View/Default.aspx
Contact at Eastern Engineering is:
Courtney Purdue
Email: FishersPlanRoomServices@easternengineering.com or Office: (317) 598-0661
Any questions concerning bidding this project, project completion, scheduling, project administration, etc. shall be directed to:
Mike Holtkamp, Hagerman, Inc., MHoltkamp@Hagermange.com or Cell 317.627.2138
Hagerman, Inc. Main Office (Fishers, IN): Cell Phone 317.627.2138
Michael Uhrig, Hagerman, MUhrig@Hagermange.com or Cell: 317.617.4937
Hagerman, Inc. Main Office (Fishers, IN): 317.577.6836
BID DOCUMENTS - REVIEW: Construction will be in accordance with the bid documents, which may be viewed at the following locations, as well as local plan rooms:
1. Hagerman, Inc
10315 Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
317-577-6836
2. A&F Engineering
8365 Keyston Crossing #201
Indianapolis, IN 46240
3. Eastern Engineering
9901 Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
BID SECURITY: Bidders are required to submit a Bid Security in the form of a Bid Bond in the amount of 10% of the Base Bid or certified check in the amount of 10% of the Base Bid made payable to Hagerman, Inc.
BID DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED: Bidders are to submit one (1) hard copy of the following bid form, and other documents enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to Hagerman, Inc. C/O Westfield Washington School Corporation:
1. One (1) copy of Hagerman Bid Form.
2. One (1) copy of Bid Security in the form of an AIA A310 Bid Bond in the amount of 10% of the Base Bid or a certified check in the amount of 10% of the Base Bid. Note: The Bid Bond and/or Certified check made payable to Hagerman, Inc.
3. One (1) copy of the Indiana State Board of Accounts Form 96 (revised 2013) including a signed Non-Collusion Affidavit.
4. Bid Submittal Checklist
PERFORMANCE BOND AND PAYMENT BOND: A Performance Bond and Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Amount may be required of the successful bidder. Bidders will provide a cost for this bond on the bid form.
NOTE: The Subcontract Material and Supplier List will be due within 24 hours after the receipt of Bid.
E-VERIFY AND BACKGROUND CHECKS: The Contractor and subcontractors shall fully comply with all the E-Verify requirements set forth in Ind. Code 22-5-1.7. https://www.uscis.gov/e-verify and background checks.
SAFETY: All Contractors shall comply with OSHA and IOSHA rules and regulations regarding Safety for this project and All contractors shall abide by the 2020 Hagerman Safety manual. The safety manual can be found accessible at www.thehagermangroup.com using password "safety."
TAXES, PERMITS, INSPECTIONS: All Bids shall be submitted without inclusion in the bid price for the amounts, if any, of Indiana State Gross Retail and Use Tax (generally called the "Sales Tax") for materials and properties that are to be purchased by the Bidder that will become a permanent part of the Project. The Owner will provide a tax-exempt form.
R8628 9/7/26, 9/14/26

— SHERIFF SALES —

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE**
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana in Cause No. 29C01-2508-MF-009621 where in Hendricks County Bank and Trust Company was Cross Claimant, and Christopher M. Jacobs A/K/A Christopher Matthew Jacobs, Fifth Third Bank, N.A., and Carpet Source USA, LLC were Cross Defendants, requiring 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 **October 15, 2026**, at the hour of 10:00am-12:00 pm or as soon thereafter as is possible, at the Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot 49 in Block 1 in William Shaffer's Addition to the Town of Arcadia, as per plat thereof recorded in Deed Record 17, Page 89, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly know address: 202 South Street, Arcadia, IN 46030
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
Parcel No.: 04-02-24-02-01-032.000
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Kevin J. Hinkle
Hinkle Law Firm
35 W Marion Street
Danville, IN 46122
Telephone: (317) 745-5441
Attorney for Cross Claimant
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
SUBJECT TO: SURVIVING SENIOR MORTGAGE LIEN OF SELENE FINANCE, LP, ASSIGNMENT RECORDED ON FEBRUARY 5, 2026 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2026004845 IN THE OFFICE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY RECORDER
R8575 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**
By virtue of a certified copy of an Agreed Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure directed to me from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D07-2501-MF-000898, wherein Hal Anderson was Plaintiff and Mario Barron Martinez was Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Agreed Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on **October 15, 2026**, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. on said day, at the office of the Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Noblesville Township, Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Numbered 334 in The Knoll At Thorpe Creek, section 5, secondary plat, as recorded on October 13, 2016 at Plat Cabinet 5, slide 568 and being Instrument Number 2016053825 and Surveyor's Affidavit recorded August 10, 2017 as Instrument No. 2017038830 in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known as: 12219 Whispering Breeze Drive, Fishers, Indiana 46037.
Parcel No. 29-11-36-025-008.000-020
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
"Subject to all liens, encumbrances and easements of record not otherwise extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause No. 29D07-2501-MF-000898 in the Hamilton Circuit Court of the County of Hamilton, Indiana."
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address or the legal description published herein.
Dated: August 24, 2026
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Attorney for Plaintiff:
David J. Jurkiewicz
Bose McKinney & Evans LLP
111 Monument Circle, Suite 2700
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
(317) 684-5000
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
R8573 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court 3 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D05-2509-MF-010223 wherein Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC was Plaintiff, and Jair R. Martinez, Jiseth G. Leon Moreno and Lancaster Homeowners Association, Inc. 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 **15th day of October, 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 NO. 394 OF LANCASTER SECTION 8 SECONDARY PLAT, RECORDED DECEMBER 28, 2021, IN PLAT CABINET 76, SLIDE 210, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 202 J 092248, AS AFFECTED BY CERTIFICATES OF CORRECTION RECORDED JANUARY 6, 2022 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2022001030 AND RECORDED JANUARY 21, 2022 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2022003855, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
More commonly known as 18762 Terra Vista Pl, Westfield, IN 46074-0764
Parcel No. 29-05-27-010-052.000-015
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.
R8566 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE
OF SHERIFF'S SALE**
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No.: 29D05-2604-MF-004075 wherein The Huntington National Bank was Plaintiff, and Sarah A Meyer, Discover Bank, was a 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 the **October 15, 2026**, at the hour(s) of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Rd; Noblesville, Indiana, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate, in Hamilton County, Indiana:
The following described real estate in Hamilton County, State of Indiana: Lot Number Fifteen (15) in Per Plat Creek Woods Addition, an Addition to the Town of Fishers, as per Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 8, page 110, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana
More commonly known as 12611 Winding Creek Ln, Fishers, IN 46038
Parcel No. 29-10-25-301-008.000-006
Township Delaware
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
"Subject to all liens, encumbrances and easements of record not otherwise extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause 29D05-2604-MF-004075 in Superior Court of the County of Hamilton, Indiana."
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton Sheriff's Department
Plaintiff Attorney
Morgan L. Wills 26152-10
Sassano, Deighton, Delaney, Higgins & Mommsen Co., L.P.A.
4834 Richmond Rd, Suite 201
Cleveland, OH 44128
Phone: (216)360-7200
Facsimile: (216) 360-7210
mwills@carlisle-law.com
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
NOTICE
THE LAW OFFICE OF SASSANO, DEIGHTON, DELANEY, HIGGINS & MOMMSEN CO., L.P.A. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
R8570 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

— WESTFIELD —

NOTICE OF EXECUTION OF LEASE
Pursuant to action previously taken by the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of Westfield Washington Schools (the "School Corporation"), a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") between the School Corporation and the Westfield Washington Multi-School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation") was executed and entered into as of September 9, 2026. The Lease covers the site of the proposed construction and renovation of the current Westfield Intermediate School (to be known as Cool Creek Elementary School after completion of Destination Westfield Phase 2 Projects), as well as construction and renovation at Westfield High School and other school facilities owned and operated by the School Corporation, all within Westfield, Indiana. A copy of the Lease is on file in the Administration Building of the School Corporation, 19500 Tomlinson Road, Suite B, Washington, Indiana, and is available for inspection during normal business hours.
Dated this 14th day of September, 2026.
/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Westfield Washington Schools
R8641 9/14/26



“Always have a third plan.”
– Stanley (like the power drill) Clampitt, 1987

— 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 2 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2504-MF-003907 wherein Federal National Mortgage Association was Crossclaimant and Counterclaimant, and Nicholas P. Uzubell, Nicole Uzubell and NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing were Cross-claim/Counterclaim 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 **15th day of October, 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 718 in Avalon of Fishers Section Five B Secondary Plat, an addition to the Town of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded November 1, 2013 in Plat Cabinet 5, Slide 153 as Instrument No. 2013066925, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as 14372 Pendragon Way, Fishers, IN 46037-7262
Parcel No. 29-11-25-020-015.000-020
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
Fall Creek 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.
R8564 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court 3 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D03-1606-MF-005280 wherein U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee for VRMTG Asset Trust was Plaintiff, and Shelli A. Broadbent, Smokey Ridge Homeowners' Association, State of Indiana and HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA) f/z/k/a Marine Midland Mortgage Corporation 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 **15th day of October, 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 66 in Smokey Ridge section three a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 15, Pages 10-13 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as 13763 Driftwood Dr, Carmel, IN 46033-9170
Parcel No. 16-10-19-00-04-013.000
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/ MATTHEW S. LOVE
MATTHEW S. LOVE, Plaintiff Attorney
Attorney # 18762-29
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.
R8565 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE**
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court #2 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2508-PL-009302 wherein Marilyn Ridge Homeowners' Association, Inc. was Plaintiff, and Tynetta Z. Shakir, The United States of America, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority, Midland Credit Management, Inc., and City of Noblesville were Defendants; and Fifth Third Bank, National Association was Cross and Counterclaimant; Tynetta Z. Shakir was Cross-claim Defendant; JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., (successor by merger to Bank One NA, successor by merger to Bank One, Indiana, N.A., successor by merger to NBD Bank, N.A.) was Third Party Defendant, requiring 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 **October 15, 2026**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot Number 203 in Marilyn Ridge, Section 2, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded August 12, 2004, as Instrument No. 20400056267 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known address: 12252 Lindley Drive, Noblesville, IN 46060
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 of Hamilton County
Township: Fall Creek
Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-11-22-003-072.000-021
J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
MDK Legal
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Attorney for Plaintiff
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein
R8568 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court 3 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D04-2602-MF-002105 wherein Freedom Mortgage Corporation was Plaintiff, and Solomon Ennin, Rachel Blessed-Ennin, Frysa Holdings Inc, Benjamin Freeze, State of Indiana and Gray Eagle Homeowners' Association Inc. 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 **15th day of October, 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 4 in Cottonwood Creek at Gray Eagle, Section 2, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded as Instrument Number 200200098703, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as 12546 Elgin Ct, Fishers, IN 46037-7544
Parcel No. 29-11-34-022-004.000-020
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/ MATTHEW S. LOVE
MATTHEW S. LOVE, Plaintiff Attorney
Attorney # 18762-29
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46250
(317) 237-2727
Fall Creek 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.
R8567 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE
AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2402-MF-001456, wherein Cross/Counter-Plaintiff, Weaver Woods North Property Owners Association, Inc., and Counter-Defendant, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner Trustee for VRMTG Asset Trust and CrossDefendants, Tracy F. Krause fka/ Tracy Krause; Marlin Edward Krause a/k/a Marlin E. Krause a/k/a Marlin E. Krause, III a/k/a Marlin Krause, III; Citibank NA; Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC; Bank of America, NA; and State of Indiana, Department of Revenue, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the **15th day of October, 2026** between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Numbered 118 in Weaver Woods North, Section 4, a Subdivision in the Town of Fishers, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded September 20, 1999, as Instrument #99-55493,m in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known as 14298 Delaney Drive, Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana 46038.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause No. 29D02-2402-MF-001456 in the Superior Court of Hamilton County Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien. Specifically, the property is being sold subject to a mortgage from Tracy F. Krause and Marlin Edward Krause to NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Servicing, recorded on July 16, 2009, as Instrument No. 2009043328 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE DOES NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OF THE STREET ADDRESS PUBLISHED HEREIN
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Township: Delaware
WEAVER WOODS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., an Indiana nonprofit corporation,, Plaintiff
By: Zachary D. Cronkhite (36604-49)
KOVITZ SHIFRIN NESBIT
6125 South East Street, Suite A
Indianapolis, Indiana 46227
(317) 388-5560
Date: July 28, 2026
R8574 8/31/26, 9/7/26, 9/14/26

— WESTFIELD —

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Plat Committee will meet at 11:00 a.m., Monday, September 28, 2026, at the Westfield City Services Center, Bales Main Meeting Room, 2728 East 161st Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN>, for the purposes of holding a public hearing on the following petitions:

- 2609-SP-10; Grand Park South Campus; SW Corner of 186th Street & Grand Park; Downtown Westfield Community Development Corporation, represented by HWC Engineering, Inc., requests Primary Plat review of four (4) lots and two (2) blocks on 35.926 acres +/- in the Grand Park Village Planned Unit Development (PUD) District.

Specific details regarding the requests may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 E 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana or by calling (317) 804-3150, option 5.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the requests may be filed with the Secretary of the Committee at the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 E 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana at or before the hearing. Oral comments concerning the proposals will be heard at the aforementioned public hearing. In the case of a virtual meeting, written comments concerning the proposals can be provided before and during the aforementioned public hearing by emailing planners@westfield.in.gov. Such hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Westfield-Washington Township Plat Committee
Westfield Community Development Department
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074
www.westfieldin.gov

R8662 9/14/26

— SHERIDAN —

APC Public Notice - Cancelled

This notice is to inform you that the previously scheduled PUBLIC HEARING to be held by the Town of Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission on September 17, 2026, 6:30 PM, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan has been cancelled.

Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission
Jennifer Miller, Secretary

R8659 9/14/26

— COURT NOTICES —

29D01-2609-EU-000389
S. MATTHEW COOK
Attorney for Estate
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Kimberly Heath Haywood was on the 8th day of September, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Linda Lou Heath, 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) month after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 8th day of September, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
S. Matthew Cook
COOK & COOK
Attorneys at Law
955 Logan Street
Noblesville, IN 46060

R8643 9/14/26, 9/21/26

29D03-2608-EU-000345
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT NO. 3
STATE OF INDIANA
IN RE THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
KATHARINE S. KONTOS,)
DECEASED)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on August 11, 2026, Stacey S. Sobczak was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Katharine S. Kontos, deceased, who died on June 23, 2026.
All persons having 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 August 11, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Circuit and Superior Courts
Coots Henke & Wheeler, P.C.
255 East Carmel Drive
Carmel, Indiana 46032-2689
Telephone: (317) 844-4693

R8645 9/14/26, 9/21/26

33C01-2609-MI-000070
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be advised that Kim Elaine Davenport, date of birth September 23, 1963, petitioned the Henry Circuit Court No. 1, located in New Castle, Indiana in Case Number 33C01-2609-MI-000070, to enter a decree changing her name to Kim Elaine Crider. The Court has set this petition for final hearing to commence at 2:30 p.m. on November 6th, 2026. Any interested party has a right to appear at said hearing and to file an objection to the granting of said decree.
If you have an objection to this name change, Kim Elaine Davenport would request that you contact her at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the hearing referred to above and discuss your questions, concerns or objections with her attorney who is Gregory L. Crider, 214 South Main Street, New Castle, Indiana 47362; (765) 529-2100. If you do not respond to this notice, Mr. Crider will advise the Court that he has received no objections to the granting of the petition.
9/4/2026
Jenny L. Grubbs
Clerk of the Henry Circuit Court

R8650 9/14/26, 9/21/26, 9/28/26

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
SUPERIOR COURT)
Cause No. 29D02-2607-DC-008318)
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:)
FRANKLIN RAMIRO CHICAIZA)
BOMBON)
Petitioner)
v.)
NIEVE MONCERRATE VELEZ)
SOLORZANO)
Respondent)

NOTICE OF SUIT
You are notified that you have been sued in the above-named Court and a hearing will take place in Hamilton County Superior Court. The nature of the suit against you is a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage. This summons by publication is specifically directed to Nieve Moncerrate Velez Solorzano, residence unknown.
You must answer the Petition, in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after notice of suit, and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for what the petition has demanded. The Petitioner's attorney is Maizie L. Esparza, Gresk & Singleton P.C., 150 E. 10th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204
Dated: 9/30/2026
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court

R8656 9/14/26, 9/21/26, 9/28/26

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— NOBLESVILLE —

STONY CREEK II
NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
Date of Notice: Sept. 14, 2026
Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCD)
30 South Meridian Street, Suite 900
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 232-7777
These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by **Radiant Communities Development Corporation**.
REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS
On or about **Sept. 30, 2026**, the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority ("IHCD") will authorize **Radiant Communities Development Corporation** to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for the release of HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to undertake a project known as:
Project Title: Stony Creek II
Purpose and Scope of Project:
Stony Creek II will expand the existing Townhomes at Stony Creek affordable housing community in Noblesville, Indiana through the construction of six additional affordable rental housing units and approximately 1,000 square feet of community, office, and supportive-service space. The project will support the provision of affordable housing and resident supportive services at the Stony Creek development.
IHCDA Funding Amount: \$1,500,000 in HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds.
Specific Project Address:
1255 S. 16th Street
Noblesville, Indiana
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
The IHCD has determined that 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 IHCD, 30 South Meridian Street, Suite 900 Indianapolis, IN 46204 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENTS
Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the IHCD, 30 South Meridian Street, Suite 900, Indianapolis, IN 46204. All comments received on or before **Sept. 29, 2026** will be considered by the IHCD prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.
ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION
The IHCD certifies to HUD that Matt Rayburn in his capacity as Deputy Executive Director and Chief Real Estate Development Officer 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 law and authorities and allows the **Radiant Communities Development Corporation** to use Program funds.
OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the IHCD'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 IHCD; (b) the IHCD has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the **Radiant Communities Development Corporation** 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 emailed to: HUD Office of Community Planning and Development at CPDRROFIND@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.
Matt Rayburn, IHCD Deputy Executive Director and Chief Real Estate Development Officer

R8653 9/14/26

— HAMILTON COUNTY —

Public Notice
Hamilton County Election Board
Public Meeting Notice
Hamilton County Judicial Center
One Hamilton County Square, Suite 106
Noblesville, Indiana 46060-2233
The Hamilton County Election Board will convene a public meeting at 10:00 AM on October 2, 2026, at the County Election Building pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1-5.5.
The purpose of the meeting is to perform a Public Test of the Voting Machine Equipment for the 2026 General Election.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Courts
317-776-8255
Election Board Members:
• Chairman, Ray Adler (R) appointed by HC Republican Chair, Mario Massillamany began serving June 2018 and serves at the will of the HC Republican Chair
• Greg Purvis (D), appointed by HC Democrat Chair, Josh Lowery, began serving March 2017 and serves at the will of the HC Democratic Chair
• Secretary – Kathy Kreag Williams (R) Elected in 2022, serving January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2026
Posted in accordance with IC 5-14-1-5.5 on the 5th day of August, 2026 at the Election Office.

R8654 9/14/26

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
Hinshaw and Keys Drain, Jennings Property Vacation
Station 3+65 to Station 6+60
NOTICE is hereby given that a petition to vacate has been received by the Hamilton County Surveyor for the Hinshaw and Keys Drain, Jennings Property Vacation portion of the drain to be vacated (Station 3+65 to Station 6+60) and that a hearing is scheduled for September 28, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. on that request in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN 46060.
Objections to the VACATION of the drain must be filed in writing not less than five (5) days before the date of the hearing.
The Board will consider whether the drain performs the function for which it was designed and constructed; whether the expense of maintenance outweighs the benefits to be derived therefrom, and whether the abandonment thereof will not be detrimental to the public welfare.
Hamilton County Drainage Board

ATTEST: Margaret Hobbs
Executive Secretary

R8655 9/14/26

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, October 5, 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 is 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.

General Fund 1000 (101)	3000 Other Services & Charges	1,100,000.00
Fund 1023 Airport Authority	3000 Other Services & Charges	100,000
	4000 Capital Outlays	40,000
Fund 1025 Airport Capital	3000 Other Services & Charges	692,763
	6000 Interfund Transfer	27,116
Fund 1028 Airport Grant	3000 Other Services & Charges	2,035,560
	6000 Interfund Transfer	692,763
Fund 1213 Guardian Ad Litem	3000 Other Services & Charges	65,200
8200 Federal Grants	2000 Office Supplies	366
	6000 Interfund Transfer	201,666

R8658 9/14/26

NOTICE TO CONSULTANTS
The Hamilton County Highway Department is requesting qualifications/letters of intent from Architectural/Engineering firms to provide engineering and design services for Bridge No. 250 carrying Hazel Dell Parkway over Blue Woods Creek.
For purposes of this notice, the terms "Request for Qualifications" and "Request for Letters of Intent" ("RFQ") ("RLOI") and "Statements of Qualifications" and "Letters of Intent" ("SOQ") ("LOI") are used interchangeably and have the same meaning; however, for clarity, this document will refer to them as "RFQ" and "SOQ." Regardless of terminology, this RFQ is conducted using a qualifications-based selection ("QBS") method consistent with 2 CFR § 200.320(iv), 23 CFR Part 172, and applicable Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA") requirements.
Statements of Qualifications ("SOQs") must be submitted electronically via Hamilton County's eProcurement portal found on the County's website at <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/2130/Bid-Opportunities-and-Solicitation>. There is no cost to the contractor in submitting SOQs through the eProcurement portal. Submission will be accepted up to the start time of the public meeting listed below. The County's eProcurement portal will not allow any SOQs to be submitted after the notice time. Only SOQs from those CONSULTANTS who are registered on the Indiana Department of Transportation's current listing of Prequalified Contractors for:
• 5.2 Environmental Document Preparation;
• 6.1 Topographical Survey Data Collection;
• 8.1 Non-Complex Roadway Design;
• 5.6 Waterway Permits;
• 7.1 Geotechnical Engineering Services;
• 16.1 Utility Coordination;
• 17.4 Bridge Hydraulic Design; and,
• 9.2 Level 2 Bridge Design will be considered.
Any SOQ submitted by CONSULTANTS not approved for the above listed work types will be rejected.
All SOQs will be electronically opened by the OWNER at a public meeting held in the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center in Noblesville, Indiana, Commissioners' Courtroom, and opened and read aloud at 1:15 p.m. local time, September 28, 2026.
Solicitation documents will be available via the County's eProcurement portal. The eProcurement portal will send out notification for addendums. However, it shall be the responsibility of the individual to periodically check for addendums posted in the eProcurement portal.
The Commissioners at their discretion reserve the right to waive any and all informalities in the RFQ.
This project is anticipated to utilize Federal-aid funds administered by the Indiana Department of Transportation ("INDOT"). The selected Consultant will be required to comply with all applicable Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA"), INDOT, and other Federal requirements associated with the use of Federal funds.

R8661 9/14/26, 9/21/26

— NOBLESVILLE —

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/QUALIFICATIONS
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE ATHLETIC FACILITY
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA
I. PROJECT INTRODUCTION:
In accordance with I.C. 5-23-5, the City of Noblesville, Indiana (the "City"), invites any and all qualified parties to submit Proposals and Statements of Qualifications to design, construct, and transfer a sports facility that will provide the City with a regional sports asset (the "Project"), to be located on land owned by the City of Noblesville, Indiana under a public-private partnership. The purpose of this Request for Proposals/Qualifications (the "RFPQ") is to identify qualified developer/contractor/operator teams capable of proposing a unique turnkey sports opportunity for the region that can be delivered in Spring 2028. It is anticipated that this project will include the construction of a new facility able to accommodate multiple sport offerings that will provide a distinct economic opportunity for the City and community.
II. PROJECT SCOPE:
The selected proposer will provide all design services, development services, site work, labor and material to design and construct the Project. The City has a clear desire for a unique sports and wellness facility, which is anticipated to include training and competition space and equipment for world-class athletes as well as amateur athletes and youth participants. However, the exact scope of the Project is not fully determined. The final Project scope will be determined through a scoping period with the selected proposer, during which time the selected proposer will be required to provide analysis to create the final scope, site analysis, financing terms, if applicable, and a guaranteed maximum budget. The scoping period will likely be a very intense exercise with a goal of achieving construction groundbreaking in early 2027. A proposer should be able to meet or exceed the draft construction schedule in Appendix A.
Upon receiving satisfactory scoping period deliverables from the selected offeror, the City's council will move forward with the Project and selected offeror via resolution or ordinance during a public meeting and after conducting a public hearing. If the selected offeror is unable to produce satisfactory deliverables, the City will begin a new scoping period with another offeror or cancel this RFPQ process altogether. Regardless of the outcome of the scoping period, the deliverables will be retained by the City for its sole use and benefit.
III. PROPOSAL EVALUATION:
The City has formed a committee to review the proposals received. The criteria which will be utilized in evaluating proposals are as follows:
• Your experience developing similar public projects;
• Your demonstrated ability and capacity to perform the work, including your reputation as indicated by your references for performing this type of work;
• Your approach to develop the Project; and
• Your proposed fees during the scoping period.
IV. PROPOSALS
Please respond to the following requests:
• A description of the project team including the project lead, design team, and construction team.
• Identify at least three (3) similar projects you have developed. Include names and telephone numbers to be used as references relative to the listed projects.
• A proposed schedule for the Project, including proposed dates to start and complete construction and to convey the improvements. This is for the City's reference only. A final Project schedule will be determined during the scoping period with the selected offeror.
• A proposed approach to the Project.
• The scoping process will be very intense and focused, in which time the selected proposer would need to prepare construction/scope analysis, design deliverables, and a guaranteed budget sufficient for the City to make a decision on proceeding (or not) with the Project and/or with the selected proposer. Please identify fees that may be requested by your team during this process. You may offer an overall lump sum or multiple lump sums segregated by task or team member.
V. General Conditions
It should be understood that:
• The City reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals/Statements of Qualifications in its sole discretion.
• The City does not require you to submit a certified check or other evidence of financial responsibility with your proposal.
• Although the scoping period fee will be a major factor in the selection process, the proposer's qualifications and demonstrated capacity to provide the necessary scoping period deliverables and ultimately develop the project will be the most heavily weighted selection criteria.
• All offerors will be accorded fair and equal treatment with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of proposals. The City may enter into discussions with offerors to clarify and assure a full understanding of proposals.
• The City may refuse to disclose the contents of the Proposals/ Statement of Qualifications during discussions with eligible offerors.
• This Project is being procured under IC § 5-23, and therefore the selected proposer will not be subject to further procurement processes under IC § 36-1-12 or any other statute. However, the selected proposer will be required to provide a performance bond for 50% of the construction costs per both IC § 5-23 and IC § 36-1-12.
• Proposing firms shall not contact City Council members or other public officials during the RFPQ process other than through the RFPQ Committee's representative (the "Representative") listed below, unless authorized or directed to do so by the Representative. All correspondence and questions for this RFPQ should be directed to the Representative as follows:
Matt Light, mlight@noblesville.in.gov
• The City reserves the right to enter into a Scoping Agreement with an offeror for preliminary design and development services prior to the City agreeing to move forward with the Project. After the Scoping period, the RFPQ Committee shall either make a recommendation to award the public-private agreement to an offeror, engage another offeror, or shall terminate the RFPQ process.
• Submittal: An electronic PDF of the Proposal/Statement of Qualifications should be emailed to:
Matt Light mlight@noblesville.in.gov
Proposals must be received by 2:00 PM local time on September 22, 2026.
APPENDIX A
Draft Project Schedule

• RFPQ Submittal and Team Selection	September 2026
• Schematic Design Drawings	Early Fall 2026
• Design Development Drawings	Late Fall 2026
• Construction Drawings	February 2027
• Breaking Ground	March 2027
• Phased Opening	May 2028

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— JACKSON TOWNSHIP —

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE THE TOWNSHIP'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Jackson Township, Hamilton County, Indiana that the Jackson Township Board will meet on Monday, September 21st, at 7450 E. 266th Street, Arcadia, IN 46030 at 6:00 pm to consider the adoption of the Township's Capital Improvement Plan.
Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have the right to comment. The Capital Improvement Plan as adopted will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF).

R8637 9/8/26, 9/14/26

— WESTFIELD —

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING A PROPOSED LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
The City of Westfield Redevelopment Commission (the "Commission"), as governing body of the City of Westfield Department of Redevelopment (the "Department") and the City of Westfield Redevelopment District (the "District"), is considering a proposed lease agreement, between the City of Westfield Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority"), as lessor, and the Commission, as lessee, under which the Commission would lease from the Authority certain existing street and road right-of-way and/or other local public improvements all located in the City of Westfield, Indiana (the "City"), as more particularly described and identified in the Lease (the "Leased Premises"). The execution of the Lease will allow the Authority to issue one or more series of its revenue bonds, all or any portion of which may be taxable or tax-exempt for federal income tax purposes (the "Bonds"), payable from the lease rentals received from the Commission pursuant to the terms of the Lease.
The proceeds of the Bonds may be issued to: (a) acquire all or any portion of the Leased Premises, (b) finance or reimburse the costs of the design, acquisition, construction, installation and/or equipping of (i) a parking garage; (ii) water, sewer, stormwater, detention ponds or other utility improvements; (iii) roads, sidewalks and trails; and (iv) other public infrastructure and related facilities to serve and benefit the Grand Park District of the City (collectively, the "Projects"); (b) fund a debt service reserve fund for the Bonds, if necessary; (c) pay capitalized interest on any series of the Bonds, if necessary; and (d) pay all costs incurred on account of or in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, including the premiums for any credit enhancement or credit facility purchased in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. All of the Projects are or will be located in, or directly serving or benefiting, one or more redevelopment areas or economic development areas in the District. Pending the issuance of the Bonds, the Authority may also issue one or more series of its bond anticipation notes to provide interim financing for the Projects.
Pursuant to Indiana Code §36-7-14-25.2, as amended, the Commission will hold a public hearing on the proposed Lease and the Bonds at its meeting on September 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. (local time), in the Council Chambers at Westfield City Hall, located at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana. All interested parties will be provided the opportunity to be heard at the hearing. After the public hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time, the Commission may adopt a resolution authorizing the execution of the proposed Lease (subject to the approval of the Common Council of the City) if it finds that the service to be provided throughout the term of the proposed Lease will serve the public purpose of the City and is in the best interests of its residents and that the lease rental provided for is fair and reasonable. All interested persons desiring to present their views on the above-described Lease are encouraged to submit written comments by 4:00 p.m. (local time) on September 18, 2026, via email to jfairman@westfield.in.gov.
The Lease will have a term beginning in the calendar year in which the first series of Bonds is issued and ending in the calendar year that is not more than twenty-five (25) years thereafter. The Commission estimates that the Bonds will be authorized in a maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$23,000,000 and the maximum annual lease rentals payable during the term of the proposed Lease will not exceed \$1,950,000. The Commission's lease payments during the term of the proposed Lease will be secured by and payable solely from the any legally available revenues of the City held in any funds or accounts of the City that may be used for the purpose of making payments of rentals under the Lease, after accounting for any prior claims thereon or any other outstanding obligations payable from all or any portion of such general revenues (collectively, the "City General Revenues"). The Commission reserves the right and may pay any amounts due under the Lease from any other revenues legally available to the Commission; provided, however, the Commission shall be under no obligation to pay any amounts due under the Lease from any moneys or properties of the Commission, except the City General Revenues received by the Commission. The proposed Lease further provides for terms concerning the use, maintenance, repair, operating and utility costs, indemnification and insurance, destruction of the premises, defaults, remedies, option to purchase and miscellaneous other matters.
Dated 11th day of September, 2026.
CITY OF WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF WESTFIELD, INDIANA

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Community News

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.



Photo provided
A new farm-themed playground is planned for Cicero's Community Park.

Cicero Community Park fundraiser tops \$69,000

Campaign goal exceeded; town will receive matching \$50,000 grant from IHCD

The REPORTER

Cicero residents and visitors will soon enjoy a farm-themed playground in Community Park for ages 5 to 12 thanks to a successful IHCD CreatiNG Places crowdfunding campaign.

CreatiNG Places is a program of the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCD). The Town of Cicero led the campaign.

"We're grateful to our residents, businesses, non-profits, farmers, and so many

others for their generosity," Cicero Parks Superintendent Jim Hunter. "With the extra money raised, we'll add important amenities for the playground such as benches, a shelter, mulch, and more."

Since the campaign reached its \$50,000 goal on Sept. 3, the Town of Cicero will receive a matching grant of \$50,000 from IHCD's CreatiNG Places program.

Visit patronicity.com/ciceroplayground to learn more.

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Hamilton Heights announces Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2026

Submitted by Hamilton Heights School Corp.

The Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee announces its Class of 2026, featuring one exceptional team, three outstanding student-athletes, and the program's first coach inductee. This year's honorees include members and coaches of the 1975 Boys Basketball Team, Beth (Hoch) Sperry ('88), James Duncan ('91), Maria Mitchell ('21), and former Coach Chuck Reeves.

"On behalf of the committee, we are very pleased to welcome these deserving Huskies to the Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame," said Mitch Street, Committee Chairman and HHHS Assistant Principal. "They represent our seventh Athletic Hall of Fame class."

The Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame honors athletes, coaches, teams, and program contributors whose achievements and character have made a lasting impact on the school's athletic legacy. Through this program, the stories and accomplishments of past Huskies are preserved and celebrated – creating a tradition of excellence for generations to come.

A special luncheon and induction ceremony will take place at noon on Saturday, Oct. 3, at Hamilton Heights High School, 25802 State Rod 19, Arcadia. Inductees will receive a commemorative metal display, and their names and photos will be permanently featured in the Athletic Hall of Fame located in the Athletic Center.

Tickets for the cere-



Photos provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation

(TOP LEFT) The Hamilton Heights Boys Basketball team (1975, Jackson Central High School). Team members include (first row, from left) Jon Hall, Scott Miller, Tom Ferguson, Mike Miller, Doug Mitchell, Kent Kaiser, and Dennis Tharp; (second row, from left) Head Coach Jim Petty, Assistant Coach Mike Jenkins, Bob Thomas, Steve Padgett, Rick Aldred, Mike Hartley, Greg Knapp, Bill Burkhardt, and Assistant Coach Bruce Hardy. (TOP RIGHT) Coach Chuck Reeves (Hamilton Heights High School). (ABOVE LEFT) Beth (Hoch) Sperry (Class of 1988, Hamilton Heights High School). (ABOVE CENTER) James Duncan (Class of 1991, Hamilton Heights High School). (ABOVE RIGHT) Maria (Mitchell) St. John (Class of 2021, Hamilton Heights High School).

mony and luncheon are \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Mitch Street at mstreet@hhschusky.org or call (317) 984-3551, ext. 1092. Tickets are also available at the high school's main office during school hours.

2026 Inductees

1975 Boys Basketball Team

This team was the first boys basketball team to win a basketball sectional and the only team to win a sectional in a single class system. Team members include Scott Miller, Jon Hall, Doug Mitchell, Bill Burkhardt, Mike Hartley, Rick Aldred, Steve Padgett, Bob Thomas, Greg Knapp, Tom Ferguson, Mike Miller, and Kent Kaiser. Jim Petty (Head Coach), Mike Jenkins, and Bruce Hardy (Assistant Coaches).

Beth (Hoch) Sperry

Hamilton Heights High School, Class of 1988

Beth (Hoch) Sperry was a multisport athlete. She was a four-year varsity volleyball and basketball player. She was all-county and all-conference in 1986 and 1987. She was all-county and all-conference in 1986, 1987, and 1988, and she played on the 1986 sectional championship team. She went on to play volleyball at Ball State University.

James Duncan

Hamilton Heights High School, Class of 1991

James Duncan was a multisport athlete, where he participated in football, basketball, track and field, and one year of baseball. He was an all-county, all-conference, and all-state quarterback in the 1990 season. He was also all-county and all-conference in basket-

ball. Likewise, he was also the county champion in the 300-meter hurdles. He went on to play football at the University of Evansville, where he was all-conference in 1994 and 1995.

Maria (Mitchell) St. John

Hamilton Heights High School, Class of 2021

Maria (Mitchell) St. John was a multisport athlete and earned 16 varsity letters throughout her high school career. She participated in cross-country, soccer, swimming, and track and field. In cross-country she was a two-time all-state state selection. She had four medals at the state track and field meet and her junior year was canceled due to COVID. She held and still holds records in both cross-country and track and field. She went on to run at Grand Valley State and finished her career at Lee University.

Chuck Reeves

Hamilton Heights High School Coach

Chuck Reeves retired from teaching at the end of the 2022-2023 school year. He coached football at Hamilton Heights for 43 years. He was also the head track and field coach for 20 years as well. He coached multiple other sports during his time at Hamilton Heights. He is the first coach to be inducted into the Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame.

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