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➔ TODAY'S VERSE John 11:35 Jesus wept.



➔ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

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What makes Nicole Miller smile? "Seeing other people smile," said the 38-year-old Noblesville resident. She was born and raised in Phoenix and moved to Hamilton County for her husband's job. The high school sweethearts have been together for 20 years and have lived in Noblesville for nine years. "We moved and took the leap and never looked back." They have three sons, ages 16, 8 and 6; and a daughter, 12. Hobbies and interests? "I craft a lot. I like to make tumblers. I have an Etsy shop that I run." She was found on Saturday sharing her experiences of being a new school bus driver for Noblesville Schools during the district's "test drive a school bus" event. What interested her about being a school bus driver? "I had been a stay-at-home mom for 10 years. I wanted to go back to work, but I wanted a flexible job where I was off during breaks with my kids, and that I didn't have to find a sitter for the little ones." She's been a school bus driver for about two weeks. What she enjoys most? "The kids, definitely the kids. Getting to know the kids, them getting to know me. And having a special relationship. Build a relationship with a kid really quickly and gain their trust and get to know them and just their silly, quirky, fun attitudes that they have makes for a good day for you." Read more about Noblesville Schools' "test drive a school bus" event in the Betsy Reason column in today's edition of The Times.

And Another Thing...

Check out tomorrow's online edition for an update on the Noblesville and Carmel Lions assisting Gleaners with food distribution.

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The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Noblesville School Board president and Noblesville retired pediatric dentist Dr. Joe Forgey came out for the opportunity to "test drive a school bus" on Saturday. The district currently has seven driver openings.



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

The Times editor Betsy Reason had the opportunity to "test drive a school bus" on Saturday.

Want to drive a school bus?

Have you ever wanted to "test drive" a school bus?

I got to do just that on Saturday during Noblesville Schools' "test drive a school bus" event.

The three-hour open house-style event was open to the public as an opportunity for people to learn more about driving a school bus for the district, which currently has seven school-bus driver job openings.

Turnout was really great on Saturday, when attendees were able to get behind the wheel of a school bus in the safety of Noblesville Schools' Transportation Department parking lot and learn what it's like to be a school bus driver.

Upon my arrival at 9:09 a.m.

Saturday at the Transportation Department -- the bus garage on Hague Road next to Noblesville West Middle School -- I was greeted by a stay-at-home mom-turned-school bus driver who has been driving a bus for just two weeks.

Nicole Miller, 38, has three sons, ages 16, 8 and 6; and a daughter, 12. What interested her about being a school bus driver?

"I had been a stay-at-home mom for 10 years. I wanted

to go back to work, but I wanted a flexible job where I was off during breaks with my kids, and that I didn't have to find a sitter for the little ones. And I had the flexibility of doing doctor's appointments and things that children need taken care of, orthodontist appointments, without having to take time off of work," she said.

Miller rises on school days just after 5 a.m. and leaves for the bus garage at 6:20 a.m. She picks up her first elementary student at 7:15 a.m., and gets to Promise Road Elementary School by 7:35 a.m. "It's a very short route." Then she has a

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Miss Austin's Rare and Powerful Flower, and Other Tales

I was told last week's column on Joseph Morse was "kinda sad," and I guess it was.

Since it's the holiday season and no time for sadness, I'm making up for that this week with some more funny/odd miscellaneous items I've run across in the old newspapers.

(By the way, it's just a coincidence the name "Morse" is connected to two bodies of water important to this county's history. Morse Reservoir was named for Howard S. Morse, the chairman of the board of the Indianapolis Water Company when the reservoir was created. As far as I know, Howard and Joseph weren't related.)

The July 25, 1884 Republican-Ledger describes the reaction of Miss Josie Austin's Polk Street (Eighth Street) neighbors to suddenly finding

themselves in "the loveliest spot, in point of odor, this side of the Queen's green-house."

Everyone was said to be peering through their doorways and windows with "necks craned and in wonderment, envying the person who possessed a flower of such rare and powerful fragrance."

That was no flower they were smelling. A perfume salesman who'd called on Miss Austin had accidentally dropped his sample case, spilling four pounds of perfume out of the broken bottles. (FOUR POUNDS!)

The March 13, 1885 Republican-Ledger reported that on the

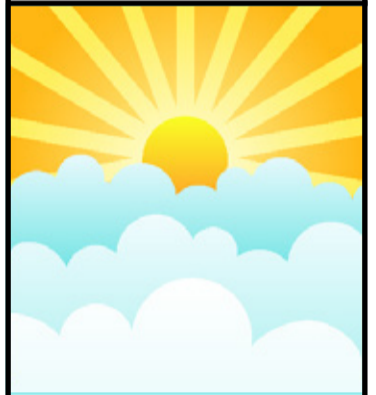
day Democrat Grover Cleveland was inaugurated as U. S. President, the county's deputy treasurer, William DuBois, received an unusual phone call.

A man declaring himself to be a spokesman for a committee at Tipton informed DuBois that the new vice president (and former Indiana governor,) Thomas Hendricks, was ordering DuBois to remove pictures of the defeated Republican presidential and vice-presidential candidates, James G. Blaine and John A. Logan, from his office and that of the local postmaster.

DuBois allowed as how Hendricks had some authority over the post office, but he balked at taking down the pictures in his own office, arguing that they

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The Daily Almanac



Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 8:03 a.m.
SET: 5:23 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures
High: 61 °F
Low: 47 °F



Wacky Holiday Today
• Cat Herders' Day
• International Tea Day



What Happened On This Day
• 1939 Premier of the Gone with the Wind
• 1791 U.S. Bill of Rights becomes law



Births On This Day
• 37 Nero Roman Emperor
• 1907 Oscar Niemeyer Brazilian architect

Deaths On This Day
• 2010 Bob Feller American baseball player
• 1966 Walt Disney American animator

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Christmas is a week and three days away. One of my favorite memories is watching Christmas shows on TV. There weren't that many, so they seemed more special. My favorite was White Christmas with Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Ellen. I still get teary eyed when they sing "We'll follow the old man..."



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Are you a "shoveler?" - put down your fork in between bites of food and chew your food thoroughly.. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7.com.



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➔ OBITUARIES

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➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone."
Charles M. Schulz

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

What do angry mice send to each other at Christmas?
Cross-mouse cards!

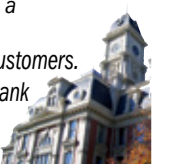
➔ THREE-DEGREE GUARANTEE

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OBITUARIES

Janet (Jeffery) Martin

Aug. 9, 1936 - Dec. 10, 2021

Janet (Jeffery) Martin, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, Dec. 10, 2021, due to complications following surgery.

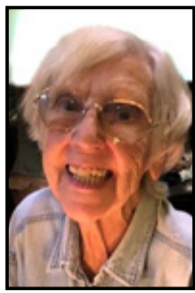
She was born on Aug. 9, 1936 in London, England to the late Arthur Henry and Annie Jeffery.

Mrs. Martin loved all animals. She would find joy in watching the birds, deer and squirrels run through the yard or stop at the feeders. She was also a bird watching enthusiast. She was most enamored with the woodpeckers, who always had a home in the trees outside her back porch. She's been known to nurture a pet or two when they were sick. She found joy in knitting blankets for the humane society to keep them warm. She enjoyed working in her yard and loved her flowers and garden and enjoyed Spring the most. Nothing made her happier than a good deal found shopping. She loved everything to do with the Royal Family and was a survivor of WWII. She rarely missed a 4:00 episode of Judge Judy.

She enjoyed a cup of tea with milk and sugar daily. Everyone adored this sweet little lady who often stated "cold hands and a warm heart"

Survivors include her husband of 61 years, Ronald Keith Martin; daughters, Della Annie Martin, Kelly Renee (Carl) Freeman and Diane Louise (George) Bilansky; grandchildren, Amanda Freeman, Megan Freeman, Brent Freeman, Brooke (Nate) Kowall, Ashley Bilansky, Cierra Bilansky and Ethan Bilansky; and great-granddaughter, Aria Minnear. She is also survived by her nephews and niece, John, David, Peter, and Sally Jeffery.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Len Jeffery. The family will notify loved ones in the future when a service is scheduled.



Ruby Jo Pickrell

Oct. 18, 1939 - Dec. 12, 2021

Ruby Jo Pickrell, 82, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021 at her home with her family at her bedside.

She was born on Oct. 18, 1939 to Clarence and Daisy (Doney) Webb in Sparta, Tenn.

She married Lawrence Pickrell on March 2, 1961. She retired from Riverview Hospital business department. Mrs. Pickrell was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends and adored her granddaughter, Ashley. She loved cooking for her family and having them around her. She had a passion for traveling, spending winters in Florida, cooking and tending to her garden. She had a bright, energetic personality and was full of life. She touched many lives with her generosity and passion for life.

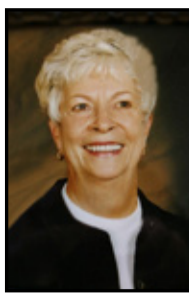
Survivors include her husband of 60 years, Lawrence Pickrell; daughters, Lorraine Jones and Jeanette Pickrell; granddaughter, Ashley Jones; sisters, Hilda (Neal) Parsons and Shirley (Ray) Wilmoth; brother, David (Donna) Webb; as well as many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Clarence Webb Jr., Gene Webb and Cecil Webb.

Services are scheduled at 6:30 p.m., with visitation scheduled from 4 p.m. to the time of service, on Monday, Dec. 20, 2021 White River Christian Church, 1685 N. 10th Street in Noblesville. Pastor Tim Brock and Pastor Fred Knoll will officiate.

Her care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes of Noblesville.

The family would like to express their thanks for the wonderful help and care given by AseraCare Hospice, especially Amanda, Luther, Chelsey, Bailey, and Connie. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com



Sue R. Campbell

Dec. 12, 2021

Sue R. Campbell, 89, Noblesville, passed away peacefully on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021 in Noblesville.

Mrs. Campbell was a 30-year resident of Noblesville. She retired from a social service career. She left a legacy of riveting stories, and a life-long love of learning and reading. She loved long walks with her dogs in the park.

Survivors include her children, Leigh (William), Dana (Heather) and John (Kerry) Campbell; three grandchildren, Natalie, Grace and Larkin; as well as life-long cherished friends, Barbara, Linda and Paula.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Natalie Reilly, and her husband, William Campbell.

No services are planned at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Association of Mouth and Foot Painting Artists of the World (<https://www.vdmfk.com/en/>); or Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, Ind. (www.hamiltonhumane.com). Condolences: www.randallroberts.com



Mary Elizabeth (Pickard) Rector

May 31, 1930 - Dec. 11, 2021

Mary Elizabeth (Pickard) Rector, 91, Sheridan, passed away on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 11, 2021, at Homewood Health Campus in Lebanon.

She was born in Tipton County to Bernard and Grace (King) Pickard on May 31, 1930.

She grew up on a working dairy farm in Terhune, Indiana. She was the youngest of five children. She attended Terhune and Sheridan Schools, and was a member of the Sheridan High School Class of 1948. As a young child she loved her collie dog, Patsy, enjoyed helping on the farm and barrel racing on her horse. She loved being outside, and helping her mother with big family dinners. She attended Lookout Church with her family and grandmother.

After high school she married her war hero, Donald Rector, on Jan. 10, 1953. They were happily married until his death on Aug. 18, 2007.

During her younger years she worked for Wilson Milk Company, which became Kraft foods in Sheridan. Mrs. Rector then went on to work for Western Electric telephone company in Indianapolis. She earned a 32-year award for never missing a day of work!

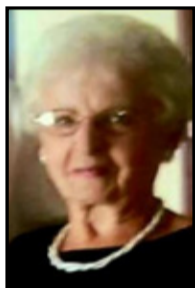
Upon retirement, Mr. and Mrs. Rector loved to travel to Florida and out west. They enjoyed several trips with friends and family. She was also an avid green thumb gardener, especially when it came to her flowers. She loved the sunshine, sitting by the pool, and mowing the yard. She was a wonderful cook and baker, known for her fried chicken, yeast rolls and lemon cake. She was a member of the Pioneer's Club and a strong supporter of the veterans. And she greatly loved her family!

Survivors include three daughters, Terry (Dennis) McVey of Noblesville, Kathy (Dave) Havens of Noblesville and Linda (Ralph) Stephenson of Sheridan; five grandchildren, Valerie (Todd) Roberts of Sheridan, Amy (Lem) Soldevilla of Carmel, Brooke (Dayn) Browning of McCordsville, Kyle McVey of Los Angeles and Ben McVey of Noblesville; five great-grandchildren, Christopher and Nick Roberts, Mackenzie and Drew Browning and Camryn Soldevilla; one sister, Mrs. Wilma Adair of Camby, Ind.; and many wonderful nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, Bernard and Grace (King) Pickard; brother and sister-in-law, Floyd V. and Helen Pickard; sister and brother-in-law, Geraldine and Loren Gunkel; sister and brother-in-law, Cleo and Hugh Hatton; and brother-in-law, Mick Adair.

A private family graveside service is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021 at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. The Rev. VJ Stover will preside.

The family would like to personally thank Dr. Kent Erb, Homewood Health Care, and Paradigm Hospice. Memorial donations may be made to Sheridan Youth Assistance. <http://youthassistance.org/sheridan-donation>



Phillip Scott

Dec. 23, 1942 - Dec. 12, 2021

Phillip Scott, 78, Port Charlotte, Fla., formerly of Noblesville, entered the presence of Jesus Dec. 12, 2021.

He was born Dec. 23, 1942 in Lebanon, son of the late Howard P. and Margaret (Trout) Scott.

Mr. Scott grew up in Zionsville and was a 1961 graduate of Zionsville High School. He was a veteran of the US Army. He was employed with Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company as a Maintenance Supervisor before retiring in 1998.

As an avid golfer, he enjoyed spending time on the golf course. He was also a strong supporter of IU basketball as well as a huge fan of the New York Yankees. He was a member of the Zionsville American Legion. After moving to Port Charlotte, he and Janet became members of New Day Christian Church. His greatest joy in life was being a Christ follower and spending time with family, especially his grandchildren, Braedon and Taylor.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Janet L. Scott; daughters, Tamala L. (Lisa) Scott and Kimberly D. (Scott) Gossard; son-in-law, Marcus E. Gossard; grandson, Braedon Phillip Gossard; granddaughter, Taylor Elyse Gossard; and his beloved dog, Baxter.

Family and friends are scheduled to gather Friday, Dec. 17, 2021 from 4-8 p.m. in Bussell Family Funerals, where the Funeral Service will take place Saturday, Dec. 18 at 10 a.m. Pastor James Bradley of Family Worship in Kokomo, and former Pastor to Phillip and Janet, will be officiating. Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to care for and serve the family.



Lions Memorable Meeting



The December 8th meeting was held in the "Farm" of the B&G Club in Noblesville. The "Farm" is a remodeled gymnasium into a conference center, beautifully done. Many projects were discussed, and the night was highlighted by speaker Scott McClelland, the NHS Boys Basketball Coach. In the top photo it shows The "Farm" facility. Photo by Betsy Reason. In the middle photo it shows Lion Julia Kozicki and guest Beth Lively (w/guitar) singing Christmas songs. In the bottom photo it shows Lion Kim Luckey, VP and Scott McClelland. Photos by Noblesville Lions.

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FINANCING AVAILABLE!

Local champion to be honored as member of 20th Women's Induction Class

Loaded with basketball talent and tradition, the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame proudly announces their 2022 women's induction class, to be honored at the 20th Women's Awards Banquet on Saturday, April 30, 2022. A local champion from Noblesville, Cami Cass, will be honored at the banquet on Saturday with the rest of the 2022 Women's Induction Class. Cami Cass was the starting point guard for Noblesville's 1987 undefeated state championship team and 1988 state runner-up squad. Her senior season, she was the team's leader in assists and 2nd in points, rebounds and steals, teaming with 2015 Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame inductee Courtney (Cox) Cole. During Cass's career, Noblesville teams were 100-7, including four sectional titles, three regional titles, and two semi-state championships. A four-year starting point guard at Fordham University, she led their teams in steals all four seasons and was their leader in assists for three years. She completed her career with the program record in career steals (188), remains 2nd in career assists (487) and remains tied for the single-game steals record (8). A senior on the Rams' first Patriot League championship team in 1992, in 2021 she was one of five players named to Fordham's 1990's all-decade team. A member of the United States' 1997 Deaf Olympics gold medal team in Copenhagen, Denmark, she was a teacher at the Indiana School for the Deaf and coached in their girls

basketball program. She has received numerous awards and recognitions as a deaf athlete and was featured in Sports Illustrated in 1989. Gary Andrews led the Fort Wayne Bishop Luers girls to three consecutive 2A championships as part of his coaching success. Leading the Luers girls program to a 167-44 record (.791) from 1992 - 2001, winning five Summit Athletic Conference titles, SAC tournament championships, six sectional titles, four regionals, three semi-states and IHSAA 2A girls basketball championships in 1999, 2000 and 2001, with an 81-2 record those three seasons. Krista Blunk was a 1989 Indiana All-Star after scoring a school record 1,044 points at Tell City, graduating with career averages of 19.2 points per game, 10.2 rebounds and a 48% career FG percentage. A three-time all-conference selection and conference Player of the Year her senior season, she averaged 18.8 points and 9.8 rebounds per game that year. Charles Mair retired in 2017 as one of the winningest coaches in Indiana high school girls basketball history. Leading teams to 465 wins in 36 seasons leading North Posey and Princeton high schools, his teams claimed 11 conference championships, eight sectional titles, two regionals, one semi-state and his Princeton team won the 2015 IHSAA 3A girls basketball championship, led by 2016 Indiana Miss Basketball and Naismith National Player of the Year Jackie Young.

Monica Maxwell was a 1995 Indiana All-Star, high school All-American and finalist for the Naismith Award for the top prep player in the nation. The East Chicago Central graduate was a unanimous 1st team all-state selection after averaging 24.4 points her senior season. Maxwell was a member of teams that won four sectional titles, including a 22-1 team her senior season. Julie (Rotramel) Meeks totaled 1,227 points and 233 career assists at Sullivan High School, including a 22.7 scoring average for her 1983-84 senior season. Averaging in double figures for three seasons while Sullivan accumulated a 61-5 record, she was a sophomore starter for Sullivan's 1982 state finalist squad. Helping write the record book for IUPUI women's basketball, her 1,809 career points remained the school record for 30 years and remains 2nd in program history. Kristin (Pritchett) Messmore was a four-year letterwinner on Bedford North Lawrence teams that were 83-13 and winners of four sectionals and three regionals. Scoring 1,017 career points, she set the BNL single-game scoring record of 53 points. Averaging 15.5 points per game as a junior and 15.8 points, 5.7 rebounds and hitting 52% of field goals her senior season, she was a two-time Bedford Times-Mail Player of the Year ('87, '88), was Hoosier Hills all-conference four years, all-sectional four years, all-semi-state three years and an all-state selection her senior year. Christy Smith was a 1994

Indiana All-Star after totaling 1,113 career points at Benton Central, setting school records for career assists (506), single-season assists, career steals (418) and single-season steals. Averaging 21.6 points, 5.0 assists, 4.5 steals and 3.4 rebounds as a senior for 16-4 team her senior season, she earned 1st team all-state honors and was named academic all-state. A stellar career at the University of Arkansas included 1,459 career points, along with 507 assists, 239 steals, and a .837 career free throw percentage. Stephanie White was the 1995 Indiana Miss Basketball, 1995 Gatorade National Player of the Year, USA Today National Player of the Year, WBCA High School All-American, and MVP of the WBCA All-American game. A three-time AP all-state selection from Seeger High School, she set the IHSAA girls basketball scoring record at 2,869 career points,

after averaging 28.3 points per game as a sophomore, 31.0 as a junior and a state-best 36.9 as a senior, including a single-game high of 66 points. Amy Vanderkolk was an all-state player at Lafayette Jeff H.S., helping the Bronchos to a pair of sectional titles, including reaching the 1983 semi-state finals and 1985 regional finals. Selected three times to the Lafayette Journal & Courier all-area team, she totaled 784 career points and was the recipient of the Golden Broncho Academic Award. At Indiana State University, she graduated 4th in career scoring (1,484), set the single-game scoring record of 43 points, tied the school record for season scoring average (19.8) and had two of the top six single-season scoring efforts. The Silver Medal Award, including induction for contributions other than as an Indiana high school basketball player or Indiana high school

basketball coach, is presented to Darlene Mathew. Mathew had a 46-year career as teacher, coach and athletic administrator at Westview High School. She became the girls basketball and volleyball coach in 1975, winning three straight basketball sectionals the first three seasons of IHSAA competition with an 84-38 record (.689) with no losing seasons in seven seasons as head coach. The Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame's 20th Women's Awards Banquet will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2022. The day's events will include a free reception at the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame museum that afternoon and a banquet that evening at the Primo Banquet Hall in Indianapolis. Reservations are available online now or through mail order in early 2022. Call the Hall at 765-529-1891, visit www.hoopshall.com or email info@hoopshall.com for more information



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<p>Jerry and Janet Sullivan We wish you a peaceful new year.</p> <p>Detlef and Sandra Rathman</p> <p>John and Regina Stallsmith Merry Christmas to all!</p> <p>Jeffrey Zeckel In Memory of Ben and Belle Zeckel and Wayne and Pat Donaldson</p> <p>Bob and Stephanie Daugherty In Memory of our dear friend, Jeannie Ecker</p> <p>Jim Brown</p> <p>Ron and Cathy Thieman Christmas Blessings for our children and grandchildren</p> <p>Walter Beaver</p> <p>John and Betty Gaus</p> <p>Margaret A. Roberts Honoring my grandchildren</p> <p>Mary Lou Martin Christmas Blessings</p> <p>Sally Crow You are missed: Linda, Phyllis, Cathie, and Carol</p> <p>Dale and Marge Ostler Merry Christmas to all</p> <p>Sandy Fink In Honor of my great-grandchildren</p> <p>Jennifer Kauzlick</p>	<p>Kay Vesey In Memory of family members. Merry Christmas to All</p> <p>Mary Jane Polsgrove In Memory of loved ones!</p> <p>Chuck and Sally Crow To honor and remember: Sam and Jean Campbell, Maurice and Thelma Crow, Marsha Fisher, Linda Crow, and Mary Anne Campbell</p> <p>Steve Snyder Merry Christmas to all</p> <p>First United Methodist Women</p> <p>Karen and Bill Huff</p> <p>Ron and Linda Williamson Merry Christmas to everyone</p> <p>Lynn and Pam Lehman Merry Christmas to all the children of Noblesville</p> <p>Donna and Carl Holl Christmas Blessings to all</p> <p>Jack and Nancy Kenley</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. John H Jones Merry Christmas</p> <p>Don and Pam Orr Merry Christmas</p> <p>The Robert Campbell Family Christmas Blessings to one and all!</p>
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NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION In the Hamilton Superior Court, Probate Division In the Matter of the Estate of Marguerite C. Scanlon, deceased. Cause Number: 29D01-2112-EU-000568 Notice is hereby given that Catherine B. Bonne was on the day of December 3, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Marguerite C. Scanlon, deceased, who died on the 16th day of July, 2021. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of the court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this day of December 3, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court TL18557 12/15 12/22 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Pamela K. Koehler, Attorney (#2021 1-49) KOEHLER LAW, LLC 12805 E. New Market Street, Suite 200 Carmel, Indiana 46032 In the Hamilton County Superior Court In the Matter of the Estate of Estate of Jill R. Allen, deceased. Estate Docket 29D03-2112-EU-000569 Notice is hereby given that Julie A. Allen was on December 3, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF JILL R. ALLEN, deceased (DOD: July 7, 2021). All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this December 6, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Superior Court Hamilton County, Indiana TL18536 12/15 12/22 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Pamela K. Koehler, Attorney (#2021 1-49) KOEHLER LAW, LLC 12805 E. New Market Street, Suite 200 Carmel, Indiana 46032 In the Hamilton County Superior Court In the Matter of the Estate of Estate of Thomasina J. Sheehan, deceased. Estate Docket 29D01-2112-EU-000561 Notice is hereby given that Tracey L. Sheehan was on December 3, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF THOMASINA J. SHEEHAN, deceased (DOD: November 9, 2021). All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this December 3, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Superior Court Hamilton County, Indiana TL18555 12/15 12/22 2t hspaxlp

IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT I STATE OF INDIANA CAUSE NO. 29D01-2111-EU-000556 IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES ANTHONY SCOTT, DECEASED. NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION IN THE SUPERIOR I COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA. In the matter of James Anthony Scott, deceased. Cause Number: 29D01-2111-EU-556 Notice is hereby given that on November 24, 2021, Brenda S. Hanning was appointed Personal Representative of the estate of James Anthony Scott, deceased, who died on the 6th day of September, 2021. 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, this November 24, 2021. ATTEST Gregory M. Halcomb HALCOMB | SINGLER, LLP 789 W. Main Street Carmel, IN 46032 (317) 575-8222 TL18554 12/15 12/22 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT))SS:) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2112-EU-000563) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED) ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF) HERMAN DEVALERIA, DECEASED.)) NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that Valerie DeValeria and Paul H. DeValeria were on December 2, 2021, appointed administrators of the Estate of Herman DeValeria, deceased, who died on the 16th day of October, 2021. All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 2 day December, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court TL18553 12/15 12/22 2t hspaxlp

Notice of Adoption of Preliminary Determination Notice is hereby given pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5 that the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Westfield Washington Public Library (the "Library") did, on December 8, 2021, ratify and confirm a preliminary determination to issue bonds for the construction of a new Westfield Washington Public Library, including the purchase of real estate and the purchase of equipment (the "Project"). The bonds will have a maximum maturity of 20 years, a maximum principal amount of \$16,725,000 and estimated interest rates ranging from 2.15% to 3.00% resulting in total estimated interest costs of \$5,355,958 all as originally authorized on June 23, 2021. As required by Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5(b)(1), the following information was available to the public at the public hearings on the preliminary determination: (i) the Library's current and projected annual debt service payments divided by the net assessed value of taxable property within the library district, which is 0.03%, and (ii) the sum of the Library's outstanding long term debt plus the outstanding long term debt of other taxing units that include any other territory of the Library divided by the net assessed value of taxable property within the Library, which is 9.72%. The Library's current debt service levy is \$331.365 and the current rate is \$0.0091. After the bonds are issued, the debt service levy will increase by a maximum of \$1,600,000 and the debt service rate will increase by a maximum of \$0.0209. The estimated amount of the Library's debt service levy and rate that will result during the following 10 years if the Library issues the bonds, after considering any changes that will occur to the debt service levy and rate during that period on account of any outstanding bonds or lease obligations that will mature or terminate during that period:

Table with 3 columns: Year, Estimated Total Debt Service Levy, Estimated Total Debt Service Rate. Rows for years 2021 through 2031.

The purpose of the bonds is to provide for the Project. The total cost of the Project is expected to exceed \$16,725,000 but the Library will not borrow additional fund but will use its cash and any proceeds from the sale of the existing library building. By the adoption of this resolution, the Library does not change the original authorization of the issuance of the bonds nor lose its authorizing approval of such borrowing for the Project. If a valid petition pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5 is received within 30 days from the publication of this notice, the proposed additional project cost must be approved in an election on a local public question held under Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.6, but the Bond proceeds may be spent on the Project as originally authorized without such election. Dated December 13, 2021. Amber Van Den Berg, Secretary, Board of Trustees Westfield Washington Public Library TL18552 12/15 1t hspaxlp

PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Public notice is given that the Sheridan Town Council will, on the 27th day of December 2021, at 6:00 p.m., in the Sheridan Community Center, located at 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan, IN 46069, hold a public hearing on Ordinance No. 2021-11, entitled An Ordinance by the Town Council of the Town of Sheridan to Abolish the Office of the Town Marshal and to Establish a Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners in the Town of Sheridan, Indiana. Public notice is hereby given that said public hearing, the Sheridan Town Council, as designating body, will receive and hear all remonstrances and objections from interested persons. After hearing all evidence presented, the Sheridan Town Council shall, at its regular meeting on said date and at said place, take final action on Ordinance 2021-11. Such action of the Sheridan Town Council shall be final, subject to statutory rights of appeal. Elizabeth A. Walden, IAMC, CMO, CMC Clerk-Treasurer TL18551 12/15 1t hspaxlp

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE The following will be sold for charges: 18702 CHAD HITTLE DR WESTFIELD On 12/28/2021 @ 02:00 PM 2004 HONDA 5FNRL18924B105783 \$2,325.00 TL18549 12/10 1t hspaxlp

City of Fishers City Council Public Meeting Notice MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT COMMENTS BY GOING TO: https://townoffishers.formstack.com/forms/public_meeting_comment_form MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY STREAM THE LIVE MEETING BY GOING TO: http://tinyurl.com/CityOfFishers NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City of Fishers City Council at 7:00 PM on Monday, December 20, 2021, in the Fishers City Hall building, One Municipal Drive, Fishers, Indiana. REQUEST: At that hearing, the public will be invited to offer comments on the following request: VAC-21-2: Consideration of a request for vacation of a public sanitary sewer easement within the Slate at Fishers District subdivision. The subject property has a common address of 11255 Slate Stone Drive, Fishers, IN (46038) and is generally located on east of IN-37 and south of 116th Street (a legal description is on file with the City of Fishers, Department of Planning & Zoning). LOCATION: 11255 Slate Stone Drive, Fishers, IN (46038) The case file about this project is available for public review in the office of the Department of Planning and Zoning, located on the 2nd floor at Fishers City Hall. The meeting agenda with room location details and case related information will be posted on the City's website forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting specified above. If you have specific questions or want to provide written contacts to the case planner directly, please contact: Jonah Mackenzie Butler Planner II 1 Municipal Drive Fishers, IN butlerj@fishers.in.us 317.595.3422 TL18548 12/10 1t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 3))SS) ESTATE NO.:29D03-2111-EU-553) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN THE MATTER OF THE) UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF) William J. Dwyer, DECEASED.) George G. Slater) SLATER LAW OFFICE LLC) 600 E Carmel Dr. Suite 128) Carmel, IN 46032) 317-571-9600) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION IN THE SUPERIOR COURT 3 OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA Notice is hereby given that Laura L. Dwyer on November 23, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of William J. Dwyer, deceased. All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on October 22, 2021 Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Superior Court Hamilton County, Indiana TL18547 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1))SS) ESTATE NO.: 29D01-2111-EU-541) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED) ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE) James C. Fleischer, DECEASED.)) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that Alison Fleischer on November 18, 2021 appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of James C. Fleischer, Deceased, who died on October 9 2021. All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this November 18, 2021 Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Superior Court Hamilton County, Indiana Rebecca W. Geyer Disc. No. 21325-49 REBECCA W. GEYER & ASSOCIATES, PC 11550 N Meridian St., Ste. 200 Carmel, IN 46032 317-973-4555 317-489-5195 Fax rgeyer@rgeyerlaw.com TL18546 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1))SS) ESTATE NO.: 29D01-2111-EU-527) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED) ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE) Kim L. Froberg, DECEASED.)) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that Linda K. Froberg on November 17, 2021 appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Kim L. Froberg, Deceased, who died on September 19 2021. All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this November 17, 2021 Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Superior Court Hamilton County, Indiana Rebecca W. Geyer Disc. No. 21325-49 REBECCA W. GEYER & ASSOCIATES, PC 11550 N Meridian St., Ste. 200 Carmel, IN 46032 317-973-4555 317-489-5195 Fax rgeyer@rgeyerlaw.com TL18545 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

William J. Dale, Jr. ANN M. O'HARA DALE & EKE, P.C. 9100 Keystone Crossing, Suite 400 Indianapolis, Indiana 46240 Phone: (317) 844-7400 NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1 In the Matter of the Estate of James P. Hull, Deceased Estate No.:29D01-2111-EU-524 Notice is hereby given that Douglas P. Hull was on November 12, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of James P. Hull, deceased, who died on the 25th day of October, 2021. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on November 12, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of Courts of Hamilton County TL18544 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION CAUSE NO.29D01-2111-EU-000517 Notice is hereby given that Gary Mendenhall, was on, the 10th day of November, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Rebecca L. Mendenhall, deceased, who died on the 21st day of October, 2021, and said Personal Representative was authorized to administer said Estate without Court supervision. 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 Hamilton County, Indiana, this 10 day of November, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton County Courts TL18543 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION In the Matter of the Estate of MICHAEL G. BYRNES, deceased. CAUSE NO.29D01-2112-EU-000562 In the Hamilton Superior Court Hamilton County, Indiana Notice is hereby given that DEBRA A. BYRNES was on the day of December, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of MICHAEL G. BYRNES, deceased, who died on November 18, 2021. 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 Hamilton County, Indiana, this 2 day of DDecember, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton County Courts TL18542 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY))SS) SUPERIOR COURT #1) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) CAUSE NO.:29D01-2111-EU-000559) IN THE MATTER OF THE) UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF) PAULINE E. GEMBERLING)) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that on November 30, 2021 Kelsey Buckingham and Jason Gemberling were appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Pauline E. Gemberling, deceased, who died on September 14, 2021. 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 this November 30, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton County Courts Laurie D. Johnson Eric J. Benner Boje, Benner, Becker, Markovich & Hixson 1312 Maple Avenue Noblesville, IN 46060 TL18541 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT))SS:) CAUSE NO. 29D03-2111-EU-000550) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED) ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF) FRANCES W. HANIFORD, DECEASED.)) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA In the matter of the Estate of Frances W. Haniford, deceased. Estate Docket: 29D03-2111-EU-000550 Notice is hereby given that David W. Haniford was on November 22, 2021, appointed personal representative of the estate of Frances W. Haniford, a/k/a Roberta Frances Haniford, deceased, who died on October 23, 2021. All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this day November 22, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court Prepared by: Jane Langdon Null, atty #17414-49 The Law Office of Jane Langdon Null 8555 River Road, Suite 420 Indianapolis, Indiana 46240 (317) 663-7403 TL18540 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT))SS:) CAUSE NO: 29D01-2111-EU-000544) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED) ADMINISTRATION OF THE) ESTATE OF:) JULIE ROSEMOND GAUGHAN) Deceased.)) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that on November 18, 2021, Brian D. Gaughan and Christopher W. Gaughan were appointed personal representatives of the estate of Julie Rosemond Gaughan, deceased, who died on August 31, 2021, to act jointly or individually, in the absence of the other. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file those claims in the Office of the Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court within three (3) months after the date of this publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or those claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this November 18, 2021 Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of Courts of Hamilton County Ryan L. Leitch Katie S. Riles RILEY BENNETT EGLOFF LLP 500 N. Meridian Street Suite 550 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 636-8000 (317) 636-8027 (Fax) rleitch@rbelaw.com kriles@rbelaw.com TL18539 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY COURT STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF)) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2111-EU-000552) STUART B. COUNTRYMAN, DECEASED) IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA. In the matter of Stuart B. Countryman deceased. Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of November, 2021, Bradley Countryman and Heather O'Brien were appointed co-personal representatives of the estate of Stuart B. Countryman, deceased, who died on the 7th day of November, 2021. 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 Hamilton County, Indiana, this 24 day of November, 2021. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court Robinson & Farthing LLC DeAnn Farthing, #29909-49 Steven C. Robinson #6111-49 8500 Keystone Crossing, Suite 470 Indianapolis, Indiana 46240 317-587-7820 dl@yourindiyattorneys.com TL18538 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT))SS:) CAUSE NO: 29D01-2109-EU-000414) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED) ADMINISTRATION OF THE) ESTATE OF:) SUSIE TA) Deceased.) Attorney: Lawrence J. Kemper) 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 210,) Carmel, IN 46032)) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION IN THE PROBATE COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA. In the matter of the Estate of Susie Ta, deceased. Cause Number: 29D01-2109-EU-000414 Notice is hereby given that Johnny Dao, on the 10th day of September, 2021 was appointed as the personal representative of the estate of Susie Ta, who died on the 10th day of April, 2021. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file those claims in the Office of the Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court within three (3) months after the date of this publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or those claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 10th day of September, 2021 Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of Courts of Hamilton County TL18537 12/8 12/15 2t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY))SS) SUPERIOR COURT) COUNTY OF HAMILTON)) CAUSE NO.: 29D02-2111-MI-008196) M DOED, LLC)) And) PATRICIA IMRIE) THE HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER OF) TOWN OF ATLANTA) DEBORAH WALKER) THE HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER OF) MERS) THE HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER OF) MERS) THE HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER OF) MERS) GEORGE HELMS) KAREN HELMS) THOMAS J. CITTADINE, MD)) AND THE UNKNOWN HUSBAND, WIFE,) WIDOW, WIDOWER, CHILD, CHILDREN,) DESCENDANTS, HEIRS, SURVIVING SPOUSES,) CREDITORS AND ADMINISTRATORS OF THE) ESTATE; DEVISEES, LEGATEES, TRUSTEES,) EXECUTORS OF THE LAST WILL AND) TESTAMENTS; SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST) AND ASSIGNS, RESPECTFULLY, OF EACH) OF THE FORGOING PERSONS, ALL OF) WHOM ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF;)) ALL OF THE WOMEN ONCE KNOWN BY) ANY OF THE NAMES AND DESIGNATIONS) ABOVE STATED WHOSE NAMES MAY HAVE) BEEN CHANGED AND WHO ARE NOW KNOWN) BY OTHER NAMES; THE NAMES OF ALL WHOM) ARE UNKNOWN TO THE PLAINTIFF, AS THE) SPOUSES OF EACH OF THE PERSONS NAMED) ABOVE, OR DESCRIBED AND DESIGNATED AS) DEFENDANTS IN THIS ACTION WHO ARE) MARRIED; THE NAMES OF ALL OF WHOM ARE) UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF;)) ALL PERSONS AND CORPORATIONS WHO) ASSERT OR MIGHT ASSERT ANY TITLE,) CLAIM OR INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE) REAL ESTATE AND INTEREST THEREIN) DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT IN THIS) ACTION BY, UNDER OR THROUGH ANY OF) THE DEFENDANTS IN THIS ACTION NAMED,) DESCRIBED OR DESIGNATED IN THIS) COMPLAINT AND ABOVE NAMED; ALL OF) WHOM ARE UNKNOWN TO THIS PLAINTIFF.) Defendant(s)

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Notice is hereby given to the following named persons who may claim some interest in the following described real estate and whose whereabouts are unknown or some or all of whom are unknown to the Plaintiff, to wit: "SEE DEFENDANTS LISTED ABOVE" You have been sued in the above entitled action to Quiet Title to the following described real estate located in Hamilton County, Indiana, to wit: A. Parcel No: 06-02-01-01-05-001.000 Legal: ACREAGE .00, SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 20, RANGE 4, RUTTER'S ADAM, LOT 3 & 4, BLOCK 11 Commonly known as: 310 E. 296th St., Atlanta IN 46031 B. Parcel No: 06-02-01-01-05-002.000 Legal: ACREAGE .09, SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 20, RANGE 4 Commonly known as: 345 E. Meridian St., Atlanta IN 46031 That unless you appear in person or by counsel and respond to the allegations of said complaint within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Kathy Kregg Williams Clerk of the Hamilton County Courts JON D. MADISON (26466-33) DeFur Voran LLP 400 S. Walnut Street, Ste. 200 Muncie IN 47305 765-288-3651 765-288-7068 (fax) TL18514 12/1 12/8 12/15 3t hspaxlp

Meeting Notes

Carmel Redevelopment Commission

Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 5:30 p.m. Department of Community Services Conference Room Third Floor/City Hall/One Civic Square Notice is hereby given that the Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet in Executive

Session on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 5:30 p.m., in the Department of Community Services Conference Room, Third Floor, Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square, which Executive Session may be reconvened in the same location following the Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 6:30 p.m. public meeting of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission. The purpose of the Executive Session

is to discuss pending litigation in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) (B); and/or to discuss the purchase or lease of real property in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D); and/or to receive information about and interview prospective employees in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(5). --- CARMEL REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Council Chambers Second Floor/City Hall/One Civic Square Notice is hereby given that the Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square, and broadcast live from Council Chambers.

Meeting Notes

Carmel Redevelopment Commission

COMMISSION AGENDA WEDNESDAY, Dec. 15th, 2021 - 6:30 p.m. COUNCIL CHAMBERS/CITY HALL/ONE CIVIC SQUARE MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE 2. APPOINTMENT - 4CDC board member 3. ANNUAL REPORT TO TAXING DISTRICTS 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES a. November 17, 2021 5. FINANCIAL MATTERS a. Cash Flow Report b. Approval of Claims 6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Finance Committee b. Architectural Review Committee 8. OLD BUSINESS 9. NEW BUSINESS a. Action Item #1 - Resolution 2021-26 re: Declaratory Resolution for Studio M allocation area expansion Synopsis: This is the first step in creating the allocation area for the Studio M project. b. Action Item #2 - Resolution 2021-27 re: Declaratory Resolution for Monon Square North allocation area Synopsis: This is the first step in creating the allocation area for the Monon Square North project. c. Action Item #3 - Approval of Revised 2021 Budget Synopsis: This will approve revisions to the CRC's 2021 budget. d. Action Item #4 - Approval of 2022 Budget

Synopsis: This will approve the CRC's budget for 2022. e. Action Item #5 - Purchase of 511 3rd Ave SW Synopsis: This will approve the purchase of 511 3rd Ave SW. f. Action Item #6 - Purchase of 210 3rd Ave SW Synopsis: This will approve the purchase of 210 3rd Ave SW. g. Action Item #7 - Contract for 96th Street sculptures Synopsis: This would approve a contract with Bayliss & Co. for sculptures in the east 96th Street roundabouts including the design services. h. Action Item #8 - Contract for construction materials testing and inspection Synopsis: This would approve a construction materials testing and inspection contract with Patriot Engineering for the Civic Square garage.

i. Action Item #9 - Contract for Palladium book manuscript Synopsis: This would approve a contract with Integrity Media for the creation of book about the Palladium project. j. Action Item #10 - Contract for sculpture Synopsis: This would approve a contract with the Seward Johnson Atelier for a sculpture. k. Action Item #11 - Resolution 2021-28 re: Grant Agreement with 4CDC Synopsis: This authorizes a back-up for the 4CDC's loan against the office portion of the James Building. 10. OTHER BUSINESS 11. EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, January 19th, 2022, 6:30 p.m. 12. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Notes

Hamilton North Public Library

Hamilton North Public Library—Board of Trustees Executive Session Indiana Room, Cicero Library 209 W. Brinton St., Cicero, IN 46034 6:15 p.m. on December 16, 2021 Agenda: To discuss the job performance of an individual employee, IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(9)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SEALED BIDS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE CLARA KNOTTS PARK BROADWAY DRAIN, PHASE 2, 4,250 FEET, MORE OR LESS IN LENGTH IN SECTIONS 11, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, CLAY TOWNSHIP WILL BE OPENED AND READ ON THE 10th DAY OF JANUARY 2022 AT 12:00 P.M. BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY JUDICIAL BUILDING, ONE HAMILTON COUNTY SQUARE, NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA 46060-2230.

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

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

This is a federally funded project, Davis-Bacon Wage Rates will apply. WBE/MBE Businesses are encouraged to bid.

A non-refundable fee for plans and specifications of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) is required. Check payable to the Hamilton County Treasurer.

ALL BIDS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY BY 12:00 P.M. JANUARY 10, 2022.

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh Executive Secretary TL18565 12/15 1t hspaxlp

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Hamilton Heights School Corporation (owner-HHSC) will receive SEALED BIDS for the following projects:

Hamilton Heights HS Synthetic Turf Conversion Hamilton Heights ES/MS/HS PV Systems HHSC Conference Center Site Improvements

Sealed bids will be received in the Hamilton Heights Administration Building, 410 W Main St. Arcadia, IN 46030 until 2:00 PM Owner's local time on Thursday January 13th, 2022. Bids will be publicly opened promptly after the deadline. Bids received after 2:00 PM will be returned unopened.

The project will be constructed under a Single Prime Contract with bids received on a lump sum basis. Each proposal shall include all labor, material, and services necessary to complete the projects in strict accordance with the Construction Drawings and Project Manual. Prime bidders and their subcontractors must be certified and in compliance with the Indiana General Assembly's House Enrollment Act #1019.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, December 22, 2021 at the following times and locations. Interested parties are expected to attend.

Hamilton Heights HS Synthetic Turf Conversion 1 PM at Hamilton Heights HS Stadium 25802 State Rd. 19 Arcadia, IN 46030

Please park and enter on the southwest side of stadium. Hamilton Heights ES/MS/HS PV Projects 1:45 PM at Hamilton Heights Transportation Center 25802 State Rd. 19 Arcadia, IN 46030

Please park at the Hamilton Heights Transportation Center parking lot on the northwest side of Hamilton Heights HS.

HHSC Conference Center Site Improvements 3 PM at HHSC Conference Center 8680 E 256th Street Arcadia, IN 46030

Please park in driveway or adjacent gravel parking lot.

All questions concerning bidding this project shall be directed to CSO Architects, 317-848-7800. Contact Brent Hite, bhite@csoline.net with all correspondence. Potential Bidders or material suppliers that make direct contact with any HHSC employee or Board Member are at risk of disqualification.

The contract documents shall be on file and may be examined at the Office of the Architect (CSO Architects, 8831 Keystone Crossing Blvd., Indianapolis, IN 46240), and local plan rooms. Contact the printer indicated for a listing of plan rooms and plan holder lists.

Interested Prime Bidders may obtain Contract Documents for bidding at no cost from Eastern

Engineering, 9901 Allisonville Road, Fishers, IN 46038, Phone: (317) 598-0661; fax: (317) 598-0630; or

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The successful bidder shall, upon acceptance of his bid, be required to procure and pay for a 100% Performance Bond/Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount equal to the contract price, and such bond shall comply with all laws of the State of Indiana governing public contracts let by governmental units.

Each Bona Fide bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, a cashier's check, or a Bid Bond for 10% of the Base Bid plus all additive Alternate Bids payable to the Hamilton Heights School Corporation. Bonds shall be made only with approved surety companies and shall remain in force and effect until the contract is executed. No bid shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids for 60 days without consent of the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in bidding.

Ms. Julie Davis, Secretary Board of School Trustees Hamilton Heights School Corporation 410 W. Main St. Arcadia, IN 46030

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Hamilton County Tax Year: 2021 pay 2022 Generation Date: Oct 28, 2020 Personal Property Abatement List Report

Table with 9 columns: Parcel Number, Applicant, Title, TIF District, Term (years), Termination Date, Abatement Percentage, Eligible AV, ERA Amount. Rows include various property owners like Becks Superior Hybrids, Inc, DURA PRODUCTS LLC, AUTOMATIC POOL COVERS INC, NOBLE INDUSTRIES INC, THYSSENKRUPP PRESTA NORTH AMERICA, LLC, GUIDESOFT, INC., JIB GROUP, LLC, FOUR DAY RAY BREWING, REPUBLIC SERVICES CUSTOMER RESOURCE CENTER, ARDAGH GLASS, INC, BRADEN BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC., DIGITAL MOBILE INNOVATIONS, LLC, BELDEN, INC, BLUE HORSESHOE SOLUTIONS, INC, NEXTGEAR CAPITAL, INC, MIDCONTINENT INDEP. TRANS. SYSTEM OPERATORS, INC, THE BRAUN CORPORATION, SCHLAGE LOCK COMPANY, LLC, RUBBERMAID, INC., CURIUM US PET, LLC, HELMER INC, INDY NE LODGING ASSOCIATES, LLC, NEXXT SPINE, LLC.

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Local pet adopter's story selected as winner in annual Petco Love Stories campaign, surprising Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services with \$15,000 award. Now they can earn \$25k more with public's vote

Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services Foundation surprised with \$15K donation from Petco Love

Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services was surprised with a \$15,000 check from Petco Love, all thanks to a story submitted by two local pet adopters in the Petco Love Stories campaign. Now Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services can earn up to an additional \$25,000, but they need the community's support. From now through Dec. 15, noon CST, the public can vote for Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services' stories in the People's Choice competition at petcolove.org/lovestories.

These two stories were selected as part of 100 Love Stories winners from across the country this year earning Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services \$15,000 from Petco Love.

Adopted dog brings

love and support to middle school therapy (\$10K Winner): Kennedy and her adopted dog Remy have traveled across the country, hiked mountains, and completed AKC trainings, but their greatest adventure is just beginning. Together, they're making middle school art therapy a supportive, welcoming space. Vote for story.

Adopted cat helps pet mom find hope after loss (\$5K Winner): Kristen was recovering from long-term COVID complications and was grieving the sudden loss of her family. Then she adopted a cat named Pete, who's playful and curious nature helped bring love, laughter, and joy back to her life again. Vote for story.

"These powerful Love Stories reflect the importance of pets in our lives.

Whether the best or worst of times, the love of pets can change everything," said Petco Love President, Susanne Kogut. "Reading these touching tales strengthens our resolve to create a world where every shelter pet finds a loving family, and no pet is unnecessarily euthanized. This year, we are proud to award more than \$1 million to further empower lifesaving organizations, like Friends of Indianapolis Animal Care Services, that work tirelessly to save pet lives."

People's Choice Competition: The top five stories with the most votes will earn additional grant funding from \$5,000 to \$25,000. The deadline to vote is December 15, 2021, noon CST. Winners will be announced before Christmas.

NHS's Bethany Robinson named a top 10 national finalist for Grammy Award

Noblesville Schools is pleased to announce that Noblesville High School's jazz director and assistant band director Bethany Robinson has been named a top 10 national finalist for the 2022 Grammy Music Educator Awards.

Robinson was selected from over 1,100 nominees across the country and will now compete for the top spot, which includes a \$10K honorarium and matching grant for NHS.

"We couldn't be prouder of Bethany and the expertise, dedication, creativity and care she brings to her students and our school every day" said Dr. Craig McCaffrey, principal at Noblesville High School. "We're lucky that she shares her talents with us and are excited to support her as she continues to make her mark in the world of music education."

Recent NHS graduate Nate Peck shared that "every single student who walks through that (jazz) program would agree that (Robinson's) classroom, as well as her teaching specifically, changed their life to some degree. Most would say that her classroom was a pivotal moment on their journey to professionalism and a happier, healthier life."

Robinson began teaching music in 2005 at Noblesville Schools, and currently serves as the jazz band director and assistant band director at Noblesville High School. She is chair-elect for the National

Association for Music Education Jazz Council, and president of the Indiana Jazz Educators Association. Robinson was named 2014 Indiana Jazz Educator of the Year, 2015 Noblesville Schools Teacher of the Year and was a 2016 Indiana Teacher of the Year semi-finalist. She is a two-time Lilly Teacher Creativity Fellow and recent keynote speaker for the 2021 Australia National Band and Orchestra Conference.

Robinson's top jazz



Photo courtesy of Noblesville High School

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ensemble placed second at the National Jazz Festival in 2021 and was also named a finalist for the 2021 Jazz at Lincoln Center Essentially Ellington Jazz Festival, landing one of the coveted 15 spots out of all the High School Jazz Bands in North America.

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Methodist Sports Medicine changes name

The physicians and team members of Methodist Sports Medicine announced today they have changed the name of the physician group to Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics. The practice underwent a rebranding process to find a name that would highlight its brand promise and position the practice for future growth. Forté, which is a French and Italian word for strength, refers to a person's strong suit or something that shows one's special ability. The practice, which is trusted by top athletes and sports teams such as the Indianapolis Colts, is recognized as one of the region's most respected orthopedic groups.

"This rebranding is about more than just a new logo or colors," stated Dr. Mark Ritter, Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics president and a fellowship-trained orthopedic knee and shoulder surgeon. "The name Forté was chosen because it not only allows us to highlight our forté, which is providing great clinical outcomes and an elevated patient experience, but also allows us to highlight how we help our patients get back to what they do best and live their lives fully."

Founded in 1983 as one of the country's original sports medicine practices, Forté has grown to



include 29 physicians and 237 team members who provide comprehensive, specialized sports medicine and orthopedic care to patients of all ages. The rebranding comes in advance of the opening of a new state-of-the-art orthopedic specialty hospital in March 2022. Located near 111th and US-31 in Carmel, the hospital is a result of a collaboration with Franciscan Health and greatly expands orthopedic services to patients throughout Indiana and much of the Midwest.

"I'm very proud of the group of physicians and staff we've assembled who comprise one of the most skilled and integrated practice groups in the area," said Dr. Ritter. "While our name is changing, our tradition of focusing on our patients does not. We will continue to strive each day to be the best place to give care and the best place to receive care."

About Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics, is an independent, physician-owned orthopedic

practice recognized as one of the region's most respected orthopedic groups. Clinical evaluations performed by highly skilled fellowship-trained orthopedic surgeons, combined with advanced surgical techniques and comprehensive non-surgical treatment options, provide patients with exceptional treatment outcomes and a return to active living.

Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics provides patients comprehensive orthopedic care in several sub-specialties, including hand, wrist, elbow and shoulder; foot and ankle; hip and knee; joint replacement and revision; spine care and sports medicine. Physicians with Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics have been trusted by the Indianapolis Colts as their official team physicians since 1983 and serve as the orthopedic provider for Purdue University, Butler University, Indiana State University and numerous high schools and public safety departments throughout Indiana.

IASWCD announces Northeast regional specialist

The Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (IASWCD) announces Jamie Perry as an Indiana Regional Urban Soil Health Specialist with the Urban Soil Health Program. This program promotes conservation agriculture on urban and small-scale farms.

Perry's territory includes the Northeast Area of Indiana (following the NRCS' designation of regional areas), and he will be based in the Fort Wayne NRCS Area Office.

Perry is a local grower located in Fort Wayne. His background includes managing a greenhouse, mentoring Burmese refugee farmers, and teaching agriculture courses at Ivy Tech Community College. His passion for soil is evident by his current attendance in Oregon State University's Soil Science program.

"We are very fortunate to have Jamie join our Urban Soil Health team," states Elli Blaine, Urban Soil Health Program Director. "Jamie is passionate

about urban farming and growing food in ways that also protect and improve our soils. His experience on his own urban farm, along with his background in soil science and his work as an educator, make him an invaluable asset to our program. Jamie's strong relationships with growers in the Fort Wayne area are a great springboard for expansion in working to serve the needs of urban and small-scale farmers, as well as conservation partners, across Northeast Indiana."

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were private property.

When the man told DuBois he'd call back later to make sure the order was followed, DuBois blew a gasket.

"What in the — ! — — !! — — !!" DuBois sputtered.

After that, "there was so much sulfur in the air that the windows had to be raised."

When a second phone call came through, checking to see if the order had been followed, DuBois, a Civil War veteran and faithful Republican, told the man to come on down and they'd fight it out all summer if need be.

DuBois was in the middle of hunting weapons for a serious battle and "mustering a crowd of the boys

who had smelled burnt powder before" when someone finally revealed that the Tipton spokesman was really Frank Hawkins, calling from the Citizens' Bank building a block away.

DuBois was taken home to settle his nerves, where he later acknowledged that he'd been thoroughly duped.

Finally, in the spirit of the season, the December 21, 1921 Ledger (it was the "Noblesville Daily Ledger" by that time) related the tale of an "awful battle" that took place at the American Express Company.

Attorney Roscoe R. Foland decided to send a turkey to a friend in Indianapolis so the friend could

enjoy "a fine Christmas dinner" — not a dressed turkey, mind you, but a live one.

As the bird was being weighed — all 39 pounds of him — he escaped his box and proceeded to run amok through the building, leaving all manner of destruction in his wake.

George Bowman, the American Express agent, finally corralled the fugitive, but not before blood was spilled. (Bowman's, not the turkey's.)

"There, you old sinner," Bowman told the turkey. "Stay there now and we will soon have you on the way to your destination."

I think it's a safe bet that's one turkey that didn't get pardoned.

BETSY From Page A1



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Nicole Miller, a stay-at-home mom of four, ages 6-16, has been driving a Noblesville School bus for two weeks and loves it.

break until 8:04 a.m. and just waits in her bus in the elementary parking lot until she starts her route for Noblesville East Middle School, where she arrives at about 8:25 a.m. She drives her bus back to the Transportation Department by 8:45 a.m. and gets home by 9 a.m.

In the afternoon, she leaves her house at 1:30 p.m. to be back to the Transportation Department and on the road by 2 p.m. to get to Promise Road by 2:20 p.m. Students are released at 2:25 p.m., and she finishes the route by 2:55 p.m. Then sometimes she goes home briefly before driving her bus to NEMS for 3:40 p.m. release. She drops off her last student at 4:11 p.m. and is back to the Transportation Department by 4:35 p.m. After that, she makes sure her bus is clean, and on Fridays, she fuels up for the next week.

In between morning and afternoon routes, she has 4-½ hours of downtime. As a mom, she's a multi-tasker. She schedules her kids' doctor and dentist appointments during that time. "I like to do arts and crafts, so I use it as my time, sometimes, if I don't have any laundry or cleaning to get done," Miller said. She also prepares dinner.

"It's really nice, because I get that stay-at-home option but I still have a job."

Miller leaves home every morning for her bus route about 30 minutes before her two youngest sons get on the bus; her 16-year-old gets his brothers on the bus before he takes the high-school bus. Her middle-school daughter sometimes rides with Mom on the school bus route to and from school because Miller drives to her daughter's school.

The week before fall break in mid-October, the mom spent three weeks training, including a required eight hours of driving behind the wheel and learning the mechanics of the bus, before taking a test to get her required Commercial Driver's License.

"And I had no background in any of that," Miller said. "It was a lot for me."

"This is really informative for me," said Denene Miller, who attended the "test drive a school bus" event and listened to all of the information.

School board president and Noblesville retired pediatric dentist Dr. Joe Forgey and Hinkle Creek Elementary School principal Jack Lawrence were also in my driving group, test driving the district's buses.

"I came out because I want to drive one," Forgey said.

"Why not?" Brian Zachery, the district's director of transportation, stood on the front steps of the bus, giving instructions and answering prospective bus driver questions.

Lawrence was the first to "test drive" a bus in my group.

"Jack's going to start us off. The bus is in 'Neutral.' We don't have 'Park' on the bus. It's just 'R,' 'N' and 'D (for Drive)," Zachery said. "It's in 'Neutral,' the parking brake is set. So he's ready to start the bus."

A self-confident Lawrence started the engine, let it run a minute and put his foot on the brake, released the parking brake, and then put the bus in gear.

Lawrence, whose goal is to learn how to drive a bus "to do it to help



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Noblesville Schools Transportation Department director Brian Zachery (standing left) instructs Hinkle Creek Elementary School principal Jack Lawrence (in the driver's seat) during the "test drive a school bus" event on Saturday.

out," acknowledged that the district is "hurting on drivers." He appeared at ease as he maneuvered the large, 38-foot-long vehicle around the Transportation Department bus parking lot. "I've driven a tractor, a John Deere. Does that count?" he asked, smiling.

"Brian was very good at explaining ... The mirrors are very helpful..." said Lawrence, who used the bus crossover mirrors to see the danger zones in front of the bus and to the left and right sides of the bus.

"Use your mirror to watch your back wheels around the corners," Zachery instructed.

"You can see right underneath the bus with those crossover mirrors," he said. "You can't see it from the seat. So if there's a student there or something in that area, the crossover mirror is what will pick that up. When you're just driving down the road, we use that crossover mirror just to make sure we're staying centered in our lane ... A bus, when you get in behind the wheel, is going to feel like it's too wide, but it's not. But the crossover mirror is going to tell you where you're sitting in the lane."

Zachery instructed Lawrence to flip the switch to turn on the amber lights as he was pulling up to make a stop at a crosswalk during the "test drive."

Besides Lawrence and Forgey, our group also had two other males and two females interested in a "test drive."

As each new driver took a seat at the wheel, Zachery gave driving instructions and also shared knowledge and statistics, including the popularity of school bus-related infractions, mainly drivers not

stopping for the school bus stop arm and some drivers who will drive around the bus when the stop arm is out. "If a (school bus) driver sees that happen, all they do is report it to me," Zachery said. Being that there's a video on each bus, there's a little box on the side of a control panel that the bus driver can click the button and mark the camera location, so the infraction is easier to find on the video. "I can go right to where that occurred, so I don't have to search for it," he said.

The high-definition cameras can easily capture photos of license plates, even in the dark with the infrared camera. There are stop-arm cameras and some have dash cameras, as well. "We send three videos and a still picture to the Noblesville Police Department, and then they write the citation..." to the vehicle owner. There are also four cameras inside each bus recording video and audio.

Each person in the group took a turn driving around the parking lot.

When it was my turn to get in the driver's seat, I had no idea of the ease and smoothness of the new school buses. (I just remember my old bus No. 15 when I was at Shenandoah High School in the 1970s and early '80s and how my bus driver would put his foot on the clutch and use the manual transmission stick shift on the floor and manually open the door to let students on and off the bus, which had no air conditioning.

Today, on the newest school buses at Noblesville, which are all air conditioned and have push-button 6-speed automatic transmission, drivers just press a button on the Shift Selector to



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Denene Miller of Noblesville test drives a school bus during an open house Saturday to recruit bus drivers.

put the bus in "Drive" or "Neutral" or "Reverse." Another button opens the door for students to board. And another button turns on the amber lights and stop arm. (There are lots of buttons to the left of the driver to learn.)

When you turn on the left or right turn signal, the driver can easily see a view of traffic or students at the side of the bus thanks to electronic side cameras.

When you're turning the steering wheel to go in a direction, you can easily see how close you are to the curb, or a vehicle next to you.

There's a child-alert system with a buzzer so the driver must walk to the rear of the bus and deactivate the system before he or she can shut off the bus. There are many safety features on the bus, including a parking brake that prevents the bus from moving forward if gas is applied.

All of the bells and whistles on the new buses make drivers' jobs so much easier.

But being a school bus driver is much more than just learning to drive a school bus.

Miller said, "Getting a good rapport with the kids is definitely necessary. Getting to know them helps. They seem to want to act better when they know that you know them."

She has fun with her bus riders. "I do trivia with my elementary kids in the morning while we're waiting for the school bell to ring."

There are also times that she has to pull over her bus, with emergency flashers, and get up and rectify a situation and change seats for a student, she said.

Of the district's 127 school buses, about 110 buses are running daily routes, two routes in the morning and two routes in the afternoon, totaling about 450 routes daily, Zachery said. Students are also transported from wherever they're living, whether in Department of Child Services or homeless, plus buses take students to Indiana School for the Deaf and School for the Blind. (Teachers who drive the activity bus have a valid license, two hours of training and drug tests, but they don't need a CDL.)

Training to be a school bus driver takes about 30 hours with pay during training, and a minimum of four observation hours with another driver. Starting pay is \$109 per school day and nearly \$120 per school day after the first 90 days, for 184 school days each year, with benefits, and sick and personal days that can accumulate.

Zachery has been Noblesville Schools' transportation director for six years and jackwhas been in school transportation for 21 years. He was the transportation supervisor at Westfield Washington Schools before he became the director for Noblesville in 2015.

But he isn't a daily school bus driver.

"I am a substitute driver just like everybody else in my building," he said. "I normally am the last resort, but I drove a bus the other morning. And I want you to know I made it to school on time, and I made all of my stops."

To apply for a job as a school bus driver, visit <https://nschr1.nobl.k12.in.us/rDSONlineApp/>

-Contact Betsy Reason at betsy@thetimes24-7.com