

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.



➔ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Eric Bowman smile? "Theater" and "Knowing that no matter what life throws at you, Go always has your back," said the 48-year-old Noblesville resident of 17 years, who works as an optician in Fishers. He was born and raised in Kokomo and is a 1991 Kokomo High School graduate. He has lived in Noblesville for 17 years and has been an optician for more than 30 years. He auditioned for his first play, The Belfry Theatre's "It's A Wonderful Life" in 2018 and has never looked back, performing in several productions a year ever since. Last fall, was Mr. Gilbreth, the dad, in The Belfry Theatre's "Cheaper by the Dozen" family comedy play, playing opposite Jennifer Nicholson, the final weekend as Mrs. Gilbreth, at Noblesville First United Methodist Church. Recently, he made his directorial debut for Duck Creek Players (inaugural season) in Elwood, directing Shakespeare in the Park, for "Much Ado About Nothing." He has performed in several plays and has run tech for three others. He was a designer and operator of lights and sound and helped with props for Westfield Playhouse's "Raisin in the Sun," which was canceled due to the pandemic. He also ran lights and sound for the playhouse's "Lie, Cheat & Genuflect." Eric said, "Now people keep asking me to do the tech, but I want to do more on stage." In his first musical audition, he was cast in The Attic Theatre's "Music Man." He said, "I almost passed out." Now that he's comfortable, how does he decide whether or not to audition for a show? "If there is a part in it I can do, I'll probably audition." He just finished playing the role of Detective Sgt. Trotter (above) in Duck Creek's "Mousetrap," directed by Bill Smith, at Elwood Opera House. Upcoming, Bowman will portray Louie in Basile Westfield Playhouse's "Flaming Idiots," March 31-April 10; and Sir. John Middleton in The Attic Theatre's "Sense and Sensibility," directed by Bill Smith, May 5-7 at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville. The Attic Theatre's current production is a children's musical, "The Wizard of Oz," featuring more than 80 youth, with two final performances at 2 p.m and 7 p.m. today with tickets available at the door and at <https://theattictheatre.com/>

And Another Thing...

The Noblesville Schools Education Foundation (NSEF) is proud to host their largest annual fundraiser, Miller-Palooza, on Friday, March 4th, 2022, at Embassy Suites. The in-person event starts at 6:00 pm and will feature food stations, spirits, a large auction, a band featuring teachers, a magician, psychics, live caricature art and awards honoring partners of Noblesville Schools. Ticket and event information can be found at www.noblesvilleschools.org/foundation.

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Boomer Bits



Ask Rusty – About Survivor Benefits For Children Who Are Minors

Dear Rusty: My nephew died suddenly at 50 years of age and left 2 children, ages 17 and 14. He was divorced, but they were married for more than 10 years, and his ex-wife works as a nurse. My nephew worked for more than 10 years during his lifetime. I want to know if the children are eligible for survivor benefits and the amount of benefits they will receive, and if their mother's income will affect their eligibility.

Also, will my nephew's ex-wife be eligible for survivor's benefit as she is taking care of a child younger than 16 years old? She did not remarry. Will her income affect her survivor's benefit?

Signed: Helpful Relative

Dear Helpful Relative: Our condolences on your nephew's sudden and untimely passing. From what you've shared in your email, your nephew's minor children are eligible for



ASK Rusty
Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Social Security benefits based on his earnings record (assuming he worked in a job where he paid SS FICA taxes on his earnings). However, because they are divorced, his ex-wife is not eligible for early "child-in-care" spousal benefits. Child-in-care spousal benefits are not available to divorced spouses under age 62.

Your nephew's minor children are eligible for benefits and their mother's income won't affect their survivor benefit from their father. Both minor children currently qualify for a survivor benefit from their father, and

the benefit for each could be as much as 75% of the benefit their father had earned up to the month he died. They will remain eligible for this benefit until they reach 18 years of age (or 19 if still in high school). It's possible that Social Security's "Family Maximum" may slightly reduce each child's survivor benefit to a bit less than 75%, but any such reduction for the 14 year old will disappear when the 17 year old turns 18 and becomes ineligible for child survivor benefits). The children's mother should

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Step By Step: 6 Tips For Preventing Falls

(StatePoint) Few things are more important to older adults than their independence -- being able to do what they'd like when they'd like. But independence can be fleeting. Something unexpected, like a fall, can change everything. That's why it's important for older adults and their loved ones to take steps now to reduce the risk of a fall from happening.

Three million older people are treated in emergency rooms each year because of injuries caused by falls, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This includes broken bones and head injuries that can rob individuals of their freedom. Even having a fear of falling can restrict individuals from enjoying their life to the fullest.

Thankfully, many falls can be prevented with a little forethought and advance planning, according to Dr. J.B. Sobel, chief medical officer

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Could It Be That 'Senior Moments' Are The Result Of Too Much Knowledge Rattling Around In Your Brain?

by John Grimaldi

Dementia is not an inevitable part of growing old. On the other hand memory issues are, indeed, a part of the aging process.

A new study published in the journal, Trends in Cognitive Science, reveals that perhaps forgetfulness is a result of an overabundance of information we have stored in our brains, according to the authors of the review, Tarek Amer at Columbia and Harvard Universities and Jordana Wynn at Harvard. Their assessment asserts that: "Healthy aging is accompanied by declines in control of attention. These reductions in the control of attention result in older adults processing too much information, creating cluttered memory representations. Cluttered representations can impair memory by interfering with the retrieval of target information but can also provide an advantage on tasks that benefit from extensive knowledge."

In other words, the older you are the more information you have stored in your brain -- so much information that it can interfere with your ability to remember. However, as someone once explained, it is normal to forget where you left your glasses, it is not normal to forget that you wear glasses. The Centers for Disease Control [CDC] says that forgetting things that can disrupt your life is not part of growing old.

The CDC says the risk factors for dementia include smoking, high blood pressure, not getting enough exercise, being overweight, trouble sleeping, isolation and blood sugar levels and cites the British medical journal, The Lancet, which suggests that dealing with these risk factors can "prevent or delay" 40% of dementia cases.

There is a distinct difference between being absent-minded every so often and serious

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 7:21 a.m.
SET: 6:32 p.m.

High/Low
Temperatures
High: 36 °F
Low: 18 °F

Wacky Holiday Today
• National Pistachio Day
• National Set a Good Example Day

What Happened On This Day

- 1909 A color motion picture is first shown to the general public
- 1991 The world's first web browser is presented to the public

Births On This Day

- 1932 Johnny Cash American singer-songwriter, guitarist, actor
- 1802 Victor Hugo French author, poet

Deaths On This Day

- 1994 Bill Hicks American comedian
- 1981 Robert Aickman English author

Donors Honor Nicholson by Giving to Scholarship



BETSY REASON
The Times Editor

While friends and families today will celebrate the life of Noblesville's Jennifer Nicholson, the community is also fortunate to celebrate a new music scholarship that has been created in the music teacher's name.

By noon on Friday, the new fund, Jennifer Nicholson Music Scholarship, established this week through Noblesville Schools Education Foundation (NSEF), had already received more than \$14,000 in donations for the scholarship.

I'm not surprised with the community's generosity. The community loved the music teacher who came to Noblesville High School in 2002 and directed the NHS Singers mixed show

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➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Almost time to let the groundhog month go. Can't say I'm sorry.



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're over 50, make sure to see your doctor for screening for colon cancer. 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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➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong."
- Ella Fitzgerald

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

Why'd the chicken cross the playground? To get to the other slide!



The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank Michael Webb of Noblesville for subscribing!



OBITUARIES

Jennifer Annette Ehle (Mills, Sylvester)

Jan. 28, 1968 - Feb. 21, 2022

Jennifer Annette Ehle, who was already an angel on Earth, gained her heavenly wings on Feb. 21, 2022. While the absence losing her brings overwhelming grief to those who loved her and whom she loved, we know she was simply too good for this world. She loved the Lord; she was a shining example of God's grace and the teachings of Christ. She embodied Christ and lead by example in Love. She was a selfless, kind, considerate, intentional, loving, funny, clever, artistic, smart and courageous woman.



It is an understatement to say that she was a devoted mother, grandmother, and wife. She lived to enjoy the company of her family and to plan special and wonderful moments for us to enjoy. She was giving, always buying, or making the most thoughtful and insightful gifts for those she loved. She could choose the best gifts because she knew our true hearts better than anyone. She was there for those she loved at the drop of a hat, without question, hesitation, or expectation. She was so exceptionally proud of her children and grandchildren. She taught love, compassion, understanding, and forgiveness. She encouraged us in everything and taught us to follow our dreams no matter what. She never missed an opportunity to be there for all of our special events.

She was an expert homemaker. She taught us how to make a home cozy, make ordinary things special, make holidays memorable and that taking care of one another was of the highest priority. She had flawless taste, creating beauty wherever she went. Her presence in a room provided light, comfort, and joy. She was everyone's confidant and the truest friend we will ever know. She was an amazing cook, she delighted in sharing her recipes and food with her family. She believed you showed love through a warm home cooked meal, and we tasted it in every crafted dish.

She was highly intelligent. She had a Master's in Business Administration and was pursuing her PhD. She was well read and loved reading. Her favorites were mystery books like Sherlock Homes, and adventure books such as Into Thin Air. She always shared her love of books with her children and grandchildren, filling their homes with many, many cherished books.

She was artistic, with a creative heart. She was a published writer. She wrote wonderful children's poems and stories. They were a delight to all that read them. She loved to sketch and paint with watercolors. She would create beautiful woodland animals and flowers that were filled with whimsy, playfulness and beauty. Her eye for beauty was unmatched. She loved music and taking pictures of her grandchildren. She loved nature, and gardening. She taught us to love flowers and helped us plant our gardens. Her love and passion were contagious.

She was married just a little less than a year ago to the love of her life, John. They were soulmates. She took so much joy in being married and being his wife. They loved in a world of their own. She loved his witty sense of humor. She was a total comedic and loved to laugh and make others laugh. She was married on the first day of spring in Tennessee last year. She adored him; she told her family that being with him made everything wonderful, and special. She waited her whole life to find a true love, and she found that in John.

As a person, mother, grandmother, and wife she was exceptional. She was the standard for living like Jesus, being thoughtful, being considerate, and most importantly loving with everything she had.

Survivors include her husband John Ehle; sons Nicolas Mills (Shawna Mills) and Nathan Mills (Morgan New); daughters Monica Hayes (Nicholas Hayes) and Sara Mikac (Erik Mikac); grandchildren Aidan Hayes, Liam Hayes, Mandi Mills, Hayden Mills and Henry Mikac.; brother Lee Sylvester (Stacy Sylvester); and sister Marilyn Harris (Grady Harris).

Waiting to greet her in Heaven is her mother, Georgia Sylvester, and her brother, Mark Sylvester.

One of her favorite quotes was "At times the world may seem an unfriendly and sinister place but believe that there is much more good in it than bad." □ Lemony Snicket. We thank her for being the reason we could believe this.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., with services at 1:00 p.m., on Tue., March 1, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, in Fishers. Burial will be at Odd Fellows Cemetery in Martinsville, Ind.

Condolences can be made online at www.randallroberts.com.

Paul E. "Smitty" Smith

Nov. 24, 1927 - Feb. 23, 2022

Paul E. "Smitty" Smith, 94, of Tipton, died on Wed., Feb. 23, 2022 at IU Health Tipton Hospital.

He was born on Nov. 24, 1927 in Tipton to Floyd H. & Edith L. (Aldridge) Smith.



Mr. Smith worked for the State of Indiana in the Highway Department for several years. He was also a farmer and loved tending to the land. He graduated from Jackson Central High School Class of 1946. Over the years Mr. Smith also lived in Anderson and Atlanta, Ind. He could be found most mornings at Wheeler's Truck Stop trading stories and enjoying his morning coffee. On Thursday nights he could always be found at the Strawtown Auction Barn looking at all the items and treasures people were auctioning and selling. Mr. Smith loved animals especially his dogs and parrot "Sunny".

Survivors include his nieces; a sister-in-law, Marcia Smith of Tipton; and the many lifelong friends he has made throughout the years.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Norma June Wright; and brother William Smith.

A graveside funeral service is scheduled to be held at 2:15 p.m. on Sun., Feb. 27 at the Tetersburg Cemetery with the Rev. Harvey McDaniel presiding, burial to follow. Visitation is scheduled to be on Sun. from 1 - 2 p.m. at Young-Nichols Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions in Mr. Smith's honor may be made to the Tipton County Humane Society, P.O. Box 237, Tipton, Ind., 46072.

Michael Robert Kovacinski

March 2, 1989 - Feb. 22, 2022

Michael Robert Kovacinski, 32, of Carmel, passed away on Tue., Feb. 22, 2022 at his home.

He was born on March 2, 1989 in Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. Kovacinski enjoyed home improvement projects, golfing, and knew sports trivia. He was a big fan of the Indianapolis 500 and IU Basketball. He had a smile that everyone took notice of. Then he would tell a joke that made everyone double over. Mr. Kovacinski's smile, his sense of humor and his love for everyone was infectious.

Survivors include his parents, Thomas and Nancy Kovacinski; brother, Matthew (Ellen) Kovacinski; sisters Kristen (Matt) Levenhagen and Kathryn (Shiva) Chetty; grandfather, Benjamin Kovacinski; nieces Payton Kovacinski and Kelsey Foster; nephews Ryan Foster and Sloan Chetty; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Eugenia Kovacinski, Victor Beeckman and Doris Beeckman. The Kovacinski Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Home with Michael's care.

Condolences can be made online at www.randallroberts.com.



Mila Jane Wallace

Feb. 8, 1957 - Feb. 23, 2022

Mila Jane Wallace, aged 65, of Sheridan, passed away in the early morning of Wed., Feb. 23, 2022 while in hospice care. She was surrounded by family as she peacefully departed.

Known to most as Jane, she was born on Feb. 8, 1957, to Dortha Lee (Ferguson) Boulden and Robert K. Boulden of Sheridan, Indiana.

Mrs. Wallace graduated from Sheridan High School in 1975, then attended Ball State University for a time. She was also a member of the Sheridan First Christian Church. She married Chris Wallace in 1980, and from that union they had two children: Jessica Lee (Wallace) Kilies and Jamie Lynn (Wallace) Connors.

Mrs. Wallace was a loving homemaker and mother for many years. She found immense joy in landscaping and being outdoors in her flowerbeds. She created a home and space where her children as well as nieces and nephews' friends all found a place to gather and have fun. Her house was the broader family gathering place and many significant life events and holidays were spent together under her roof.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jessica (Chad) Kilies and Jamie (Rob) Connors; a new granddaughter, Remi Jane Kilies; two sisters, Vicki Anne (Boulden) Combs and Dana Kay (Boulden) Hart; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are scheduled to be held on Mon., Feb. 28, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at Sheridan First Christian Church located at 107 W. 3rd St. Sheridan. Calling will be held on Sun., Feb. 27, 2022, from 3 - 7:00 p.m. at Sheridan First Christian Church. Burial will follow the service at Crown View Cemetery.

The family wishes memorial contributions can be made to Elsie's Flower Shoppe so Jessica and Jamie can purchase two trees they can plant in honor of their mother. For those who will not be able to attend Mrs. Wallace's service, they can view the service on Facebook Live at Fisher Family Funeral Services Facebook page. Everyone is welcome to sign the online guestbook, leave a condolence or share a memory at fisherfunerals.com.

Fisher Family Funeral Services is honored to be entrusted with Jane Wallace Services.

Letters

I Invite All Public Officials to Speak Up for Our Schools

Dear Editor,
I am the daughter of Indiana educators. Mom and Dad provided me with a bright vision for Indiana's public schools. Over the last few weeks, the people of Fishers have shown me that they share this vision and understand the tie between our community and our public schools.

Sadly, Indiana's Supermajority at the Statehouse have revealed they have no interest in strong public schools, investing in our future, nor listening to the people they are supposed to serve. Even with recently announced amendments, their education bills offer a bleak future in which teachers and parents are pitted against each other, lessons are mined for controversy, teachers quit the profession in droves, and our students languish behind peers in other states.

Thankfully, people in Fishers and throughout Hamilton County are actively fighting for a future our students deserve. When I join them in conversation and at the Statehouse, their resolve is clear. The people in our community support public schools.

• People know strong public schools offer a bet-

ter future for our students and our city.

• People want a public education system that serves all students by bringing parents, teachers, and the community together.

• People want the best and brightest attracted to the teaching profession.

• People expect public schools to embrace every child and discriminate against no one.

• People know a strong public education sets students up for successful careers.

From teacher shortages to making up for two years of disrupted learning, our schools have real problems to address. These problems are fixable. It is baffling that the Statehouse Supermajority ignores real solutions and sidesteps their responsibility to serve our community.

I invite all elected officials in Fishers, from our mayor to township trustees, to join Fishers residents in support of public education. Speak up against the Statehouse Supermajority's bills that damage our public schools.

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Maurer Young Musicians Contest Winners Perform With the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra March 5

Indiana's finest young musical talent will be on full display at Hilbert Circle Theatre on Saturday, March 5 for the Michael Ben and Illene Komisarow Maurer Young Musicians Contest Winners Concert. The concert features the 2020 and 2021 Maurer Young Musicians Contest Winners in concert with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. Reserve free tickets.

The Maurer Young Musicians Contest, which is organized by the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra Association, encourages accomplished young Indiana musicians (through grade 12) to set and achieve goals of technical and artistic excellence by providing an opportunity to perform in a competitive setting. ISO resident conductor Jacob Joyce leads the orchestra

for this exciting performance. Featured contest winners will perform alongside the ISO:

- Cooper Olsen, violin (2021 winner) - Bloomington, IN
 - o Ruslan and Lyudmila Overture - Mikhail Glinka
 - o Poème, Op. 25 - Ernest Chausson
- Serge Kalinovsky, cello (2020 co-winner) - Bloomington, IN
 - o Cello Concerto No. 2 in E Minor, Op. 30 - Victor Herbert
- Micah Young, piano (2020 co-winner) - Fishers, IN
 - o Piano Concerto No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 30 - Sergei Rachmaninoff

Per the ISO health and safety guidelines, proof of vaccination and face masks are mandatory. For more information regarding the policies of the Hilbert Circle Theatre, please visit the

ISO website. The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, at home and thriving in the heart of Indianapolis, offers an exceptional artistic and musical experience. The orchestra is open to all and dedicated to creating an inclusive and innovative experiential environment that is inspiring, educational, and welcoming. The ISO celebrates historically beloved performances while engaging audiences by introducing new voices through programming including the DeHaan Classical Series, the Printing Partners Pops Series, the holiday traditions of AES Indiana Yuletide Celebration and the popular Bank of America Film Series. For more information, visit www.indianapolissymphony.org. Now in its 85th year, the Indianapolis

Symphony Orchestra Association is a team of more than 450 volunteers who work tirelessly to support the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra throughout the year. The ISOA is an integral part of the ISO's mission to engage the central Indiana community around symphonic music and music education. The ISOA's work supports the Community Health Network Discovery Concert Series; the Michael Ben & Illene Komisarow Maurer Young Musicians Contest in which talented musicians under age 18 compete for an opportunity to appear with the ISO, and Symphony in Color. The ISOA also supports the Side-by-Side Concert which allows students to play alongside an orchestra member in a live concert, as well as the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra.



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Attorney General Todd Rokita Announces \$26 Billion National Settlement with Drug Distributors and Johnson & Johnson

Attorney General Todd Rokita today announced the final approval of a \$26 billion opioid agreement with the nation's three major pharmaceutical distributors — Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen — and Johnson & Johnson.

Indiana communities can receive up to \$507 million if Indiana communities opt into the state's settlement under pending legislation in the Indiana General Assembly that gives them until July to do so.

"We have worked exhaustively with other states and Indiana cities, counties, and towns to secure this settlement," Attorney General Rokita said. "These funds will go toward helping Hoosier communities fight the drug crisis, helping bolster local law enforcement, drug task forces, regional treatment hubs and other important programs. This is a huge win for Indiana."

The defendants will start releasing funds to a national administrator on April 2, 2022, and money will start flowing to state and local governments in the second quarter of 2022.

In Indiana, the current settlement structure splits the funds into several segments, amounting to a 50-50 split between the state and local communities.

First, 30 percent of the settlement funds can be used however local communities and the state want to use those funds. Of that amount, half goes

to local communities, and half goes to the state.

Second, the other 70 percent is designated for opioid abatement efforts in local communities. State leaders decide how to allocate half that amount — or 35 percent of the total — and local governments decide how to allocate the other half of that total.

"I am pleased that 577 cities, counties, and towns, representing 89% of those eligible, have joined the settlement. I extend my thanks to them for their leadership on behalf of their communities," Attorney General Rokita shared.

But there are large cities like Fort Wayne and Indianapolis and other communities like Shelbyville and Franklin who, on the advice of their outside attorneys, have created unneeded risk to their residents by not joining the settlement. Those attorneys are attempting to secure bigger fees for themselves, while other similar communities across the nation have been losing in court.

"The few Indiana cities that refused to get into the settlement should get into the settlement immediately if a future opportunity presents itself, just as I have publicly advised them for over a year, despite being threatened by their attorneys for attempting to communicate directly with them."

The agreement marks the culmination of three years of negotiations to

resolve more than 4,000 claims of state and local governments across the country. It is the second largest multistate agreement in U.S. history, second only to the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.

Fifty-two states and territories have signed on to the agreement as well as thousands of local governments across the country.

In addition to the funds, Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen will:

- Establish a centralized independent clearinghouse to provide all three distributors and state regulators with aggregated data and analytics about where drugs are going and how often, eliminating blind spots in the current systems used by distributors.
- Use data-driven systems to detect suspicious opioid orders from customer pharmacies.
- Terminate customer pharmacies' ability to receive shipments, and report those companies to state regulators, when they show certain signs of diversion.
- Prohibit shipping of and report suspicious opioid orders.
- Prohibit sales staff from influencing decisions related to identifying suspicious opioid orders.
- Require senior corporate officials to engage in regular oversight of anti-diversion efforts.

Johnson & Johnson is required to:

- Stop selling opioids.

- Not fund or provide grants to third parties for promoting opioids.
- Not lobby on activities related to opioids.
- Share clinical trial data under the Yale University Open Data Access Project.

Attorney General Rokita has prioritized the fight against the opioid epidemic. In February of 2021, he announced a \$12.5 million settlement for Indiana with national consulting firm McKinsey & Co. — part of a \$573 million multistate settlement stemming from the company's role in working with opioid companies such as Purdue Pharma. Those funds are being used to support prevention, education and treatment efforts across Indiana.

Meeting Notes

On March 1, 2022, the Cicero Town Council will hold an Executive Session at 6:30 at Red Bridge Community Building, 697 W Jackson Street, Cicero, IN according to Indiana Code IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) (B) Initiation of

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choir and who moved in 2007 to teach music at Noble Crossing Elementary before retiring in 2013. She was a wife, mother, grandmother and music teacher who also taught private voice, piano and beginner piano, and was an inspirational speaker and longtime actress on The Belfry Theatre stage in Noblesville.

Nicholson died a week ago today, on Saturday night, Feb. 19. She was 63.

A Celebration of Life will be at 1 p.m. today at the Noblesville First United Methodist Church with visitation beginning at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations to the newly created scholarship fund.

Noblesville Schools Education Foundation is working with the family to determine the criteria and specifics and will begin taking applications in 2023 with the intent of honoring her legacy and love of music.

NSEF will hold the donations and are setting up the online application form for students.

This scholarship fund plans to invest in music scholarships throughout Jennifer's community that allows us all to honor her musical legacy. If individuals would like to contribute, they can use these ways to donate:

- Donate online by visiting: p2p.onecause.com/jennifernicholson

- Cash/check can be mailed to NSEF, P.O. Box 724, Noblesville IN 46061. Please write Jennifer Nicholson in the memo line.

- Any questions should be directed to NSEF executive director Adriann Young at adriann_young@nobl.k12.in.us or 317-773-3171, ext 10431.

"Music moves the soul like nothing else does," is a quote used on Jennifer Nicholson's donor page.

And the love for Jennifer Nicholson also moves the soul. Her impact is quite evident by the outpouring of love and giving by the community.



Photo provided

Music teacher Jennifer Nicholson loved teaching music to kids, and a scholarship has been created in her name and will be offered beginning in 2023 and managed through the Noblesville Schools Education Foundation.

By Friday afternoon, the scholarship fund had already received 83 donations, including five donations of \$1,000 or more, seven donations of \$500 or more, 24 donations of \$100 or more, 30 donations of \$50 or more and 10 donations of \$25 or more.

The message on the donor page reads: "Jennifer was a beloved teacher who possessed a zest for life demonstrated through her love for God, her family, and Noblesville. A long-standing volunteer in and champion of this community, she had a gift for easily sharing joy and reminding people that they were important and had purpose. Noblesville Schools Education Foundation and Jennifer's family are privileged to celebrate Jennifer's legacy of love for people and music by creating the Jennifer Nicholson Music Scholarship."

Young said, "We are honored to partner with the Nicholson family and put together a scholarship to celebrate Jennifer's life." She said, "We have

many scholarships that we manage that are put together to honor someone who has passed. Other scholarships offered are centered around service in the community, athletic or academic achievement and specific professions."

The Education Foundation works directly with the high school's Counseling Department to administer the NHS Scholarship Program. Many local scholarships from a variety of organizations are offered and the seniors have access to that information internally, said Young, of Noblesville, who has been Education Foundation director since 2017.

The NHS Counseling Department has more than 100 scholarships available for 2022 applicants. Many of these scholarships are named after a loved one, including the Kurt Kahlo Memorial Scholarship based on need for computer science, business or dentistry; John and Verna Merrell Scholarship to Purdue University; Barney Hobbs Horticulture Scholarship for a child or grandchildren of a Hamilton



Jennifer Nicholson

County Master Gardener; Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Bray Riverview Foundation for a student pursuing the healthcare field; Louis and Ethel Smith Legacy Scholarship for a student pursuing engineering or applied science technology; Bill Burton Kiwanis Scholarship; Corey Michael Penwell Memorial Scholarship presented by the Hipes family for special needs; Peter W. Sanders Memorial Scholarship for a member of the senior girls cross country team; Noblesville Elementary Football League Warren Westrich scholarship for a football player or cheerleader; Frank Pruce Jr. Scholarship for culinary arts; Matthew Wariner (nephew of country music singer Steve Wariner) Scholarship for musical talent; Peter Michael Smith Music Award; Pliny and Mildred Randall Scholarship; Richard Crosser Memorial Scholarship for engineering or building trades; Krissi Davis Memorial Scholarship; Bill Karns Memorial Scholarship for education or business; Mark Vesey Memorial Scholarship for athletics; Susan Flora Resource Scholarship; North Elementary Carole

D. Hurst Scholarship; Eric Sjöholm for a student dealing with cancer; Amanda Davis Steadman Memorial Scholarship; Zac Bish Memorial Scholarship; Michael Treinen Scholarship for football or lacrosse athlete; James Lentz Memorial Scholarship for art; Kyle L. Harrop Scholarship; and Calvin Rosser - A Daring Path No-Essay Scholarship.

"NHS is predicting to give out over \$150,000 in local scholarships at Honors Night in May," Young said.

"Scholarships grow every year. If a new scholarship opportunity comes to the district, they work directly with NSEF to establish, as we are the philanthropic arm of Noblesville Schools and have a mission to invest in education," Young said.

NSEF's scholarship applications for 2022 opened on Feb. 1, with a scholarship deadline for applications on March 25. NHS Honors Night is May 18.

The Education Foundation also raises money for scholarships. The Foundation's largest annual fundraiser is Miller-Palooza is next Friday (March 4) at Embassy Suites in Noblesville. The funds raised at

this "Aloha-style"- themed event go to support all 10 Noblesville Schools and further the Foundation's mission of promoting and investing in Noblesville Schools through grants, scholarships, strategic partnerships and volunteer support, Young said.

The in-person Miller-Palooza event starts at 6 p.m. and will feature food stations, spirits, a large auction, a band featuring teachers, a magician, psychics, live caricature art and awards honoring partners of Noblesville Schools. Tickets are \$125 each and are available at www.noblesvilleschools.org/foundation.

Young said the Education Foundation -- created in 1987 and governed by a volunteer board of directors -- expects more than 300 guests and will feature many local businesses as sponsors at the March 4 fundraiser.

Tickets are \$125 each. Businesses, nonprofits and individuals can still sign up to donate items for Miller-Palooza's silent auction at <https://www.noblesvilleschoolseducationfoundation.org/miller-palooza/>. Folks can also make monetary donations to the Education Foundation on the website link.

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JOHN

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cognitive problems, according to the National Institutes of Health [NIH]. The NIH notes that "It's normal to forget things once in a while as we age, but serious memory problems make it hard to do everyday things like driving, using the phone, and finding your way home."

One can only report on the differences between "senior moments," normal occasions of forgetfulness, and the potential of dementia. So, if you are having too many forgetful moments, you should consult your health care provider.

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for Medicare, with Cigna, one of the nation's largest insurers, which serves hundreds of thousands of older adults through its Medicare plans. Dr. Sobel recommends older adults take the following precautions to prevent falls and increase their peace of mind.

Get an annual eye exam. More than 12 million Americans aged 40 years and older experience vision impairment, putting them at greater risk of falling. It's important for them to get an annual eye exam and make sure that they wear their glasses as instructed. Many Medicare Advantage (MA) plans, such as those offered through Cigna, provide some vision coverage at no extra cost.

Review medications. People tend to take more medications as they age. Some of these medications, or a combination of medications, can cause dizziness or confusion, resulting in falls. Seniors

should talk to their doctor or pharmacist about the medicines they are taking, including over-the-counter medications, regarding any interactions or unwanted side effects.

Do strength and balance exercises. Regular exercise strengthens muscles and improves balance and flexibility, helping reduce the chance of falls. Many MA plans include a fitness benefit at no extra cost. The benefit may include kits, bands and videos that can be used at home to help limit exposure to COVID-19, while achieving the benefits of exercise. Patients should always talk to their doctor about what exercises are right for them.

Limit alcohol consumption. Even a small amount of alcohol can affect a person's balance and reflexes, leading to a fall. According to the National Institute on Aging, alcohol is a factor in 60% of falls

in older Americans. For those individuals who may need it, Medicare covers alcohol abuse screening, counseling and treatment. Please be sure to discuss these types of issues with your doctor.

Ensure a safe home. Seniors can benefit from having grab bars installed inside and outside the bathtub tub or shower and next to the toilet, as well as having railings installed on both sides of stairs. Also, potential tripping hazards, such as floor mats, area rugs or extension cords, should be removed or taped down, both inside and outside the home.

Be careful with face masks. Wearing a face mask is a reality of the times, even after a COVID-19 vaccination, but face masks can restrict peripheral vision. When wearing a face mask, make sure it is snug covering both your nose and mouth, and take slow and mea-

sured steps. Those who wear glasses should wash the lenses with soap and water (if permitted by the manufacturer), shake off the excess liquid and allow them to air dry. This can help provide a fog barrier.

"Today, many older adults take good care of themselves and feel younger than they are," Sobel said. "They are rightfully proud and don't want to make concessions for their age. But a fall can happen to the best of us. So, it's better to be safe than sorry."

The information contained in this article is not intended to be a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis or treatment. Always seek the advice of your physician or other qualified health care provider with any questions you may have regarding a medical condition or treatment and before undertaking a new health care regimen.

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contact Social Security as soon as possible (at her local SS office or at the national service center number - 1.800.772.1213) to apply for survivor benefits for her children. She may need to provide their father's death certificate (although SS may have already received that from the funeral director) as well as the children's birth certificates.

If your nephew's ex-wife doesn't remarry before age 60, at that time she will become eligible to collect a survivor benefit from her deceased ex-husband. But claimed at age 60 that survivor benefit will be reduced by 28.5% from what it would be if she waits until her full retirement age (FRA) to claim it (a survivor benefit reaches maximum at the survivor's FRA but is reduced if claimed earlier). If she claims her survivor benefit prior to reaching her FRA and she is working, Social Security will impose an earnings lim-

it which, if exceeded, could result in the loss of some of her survivor benefits. Earnings limits for future years aren't yet known, but the 2022 earnings limit is \$19,560. The earnings limit will no longer affect her Social Security benefits after she reaches her full retirement age.

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Vertical Gardening Maximizes Beauty And Harvest

by Melinda Myers

Go vertical to expand your outdoor gardening space, create privacy and add beauty to bare walls and fences. This centuries-old technique has been used to grow food and flowers, adding beauty and productivity from the ground up. Even those gardening on small city lots, balconies and decks can go vertical to expand their gardening opportunities.

Grow pole beans, peas, squash, melons, tomatoes, and other vining edible plants onto supports. This saves space, reduces the risk of disease, and makes harvesting much easier.

Enjoy the many benefits of vertical gardening even when growing in containers. Create your own or purchase a support that securely fits and supports the vines growing in the planter. Or purchase a container with an integrated trellis. Further reduce maintenance by utilizing a self-watering pot like the City Jungle Self-Watering Tomato Planter large enough to grow and support two indeterminate tomatoes.

Mount containers on a wall or fence or stack and secure them vertically to increase growing space. Systems like the Vigoroot 4-Tiered Balcony Garden provide lots of planting space in just a few square feet.

Include trellises and arbors in raised beds and elevated gardens to further maximize growing space.



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Grow a vegetable garden vertically in a compact space whether on a balcony or patio.

Trellises train vines upward while arches allow you to grow two layers of plants, one over the trellis and one below.

Dress up a bare wall or fence, screen a bad view or create privacy with a plant-covered trellis. Leave space between the wall and trellis when gardening next to a building. This space allows airflow between the building and plants, reducing the risk of mildew on the wall and diseases infecting the plants.

Grow annual vines for quick cover and perennial vines for years of beauty.

Mix the two to quickly cover the trellis with the annual vine while waiting for the perennial to establish and reach its mature size. Plant two vines with different bloom times on one trellis to extend the colorful flower display. Or look for those that bloom at the same time to double the floral impact.

Use decorative supports to add beauty or a focal point year-round. Select the style – rustic, formal or colorful – that complements your garden design, furnishings, and personality. Make sure whatever you

choose is strong enough to support the plants you grow.

Mask rain barrels, compost bins and other functional areas in the landscape with a wall of plants. Leave space for easy access as you fill your compost bin or harvest finished compost and rainwater.

Dress up a lamp or mailbox post with a vine covered support. Create your own from chicken wire or purchase a curved trellis like the Bosmere Trellis (gardeners.com) suitable for this application.

Use trellises and arbors to brighten often overlooked spaces. A vine-covered arbor makes a nice floral welcome at the entrance to a walkway or colorful transition between garden areas. Make sure the opening is large enough to accommodate visitors and any equipment needed.

No matter your style and location, vertical gardens can help you maximize your growing space and garden's beauty.

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Perennials Are Great For Biodiversity

If you dream of a garden filled with butterflies, bees, and bumblebees, use flowering perennials to create a wonderful garden that is buzzing with life. And you will boost biodiversity at the same time. Way to go!

Mix & match

The more variety in plants, the more life in the garden. Perennials offer so much variety: different types, colors, shapes, heights, and flowering times. If you have flowers in your garden from early spring until well into autumn, there will be plenty of nectar to go around for butterflies, bees, and other insects. What's more, birds will eat the seeds of various flowering plants. Even more life in your garden!

10 great nectar providers

Many flowering plants make excellent nectar sources. Here are ten great ones:

1. yarrow (Achillea),
2. knotweed (Persicaria),
3. stonecrop (Sedum),
4. Michaelmas daisy (Aster),
5. catmint (Nepeta),
6. thoroughwort (Eupatorium),
7. bugleweed (Ajuga reptans),
8. lavender (Lavandula),
9. sage (Salvia)

10. and purple cone-flower (Echinacea).

Low maintenance, lots of joy

Perennials are easy plants: they come back every year and require very little maintenance. Fast-growing perennials and ground covers are real must-haves if you don't want to spend too much time on garden maintenance. These plants cover the ground quickly, giving weeds little chance. If you introduce lots of variety in your plants, you will make your garden more resistant to pests and diseases.

Tips

- Leave perennials alone in winter (cut them in spring). This allows insects to hibernate between the leaves and stems. And you will be able to enjoy the winter silhouette; ornamental grasses and umbelliferae in particular are beautiful when covered in a layer of frost.

- Not enough space? Remove a few tiles and create a façade garden with several perennials. Even small gardens contribute to more biodiversity in the area. And they brighten up the neighborhood!

- Visit www.perennialpower.eu for more inspiration for a flower-filled garden.

5 Important Things to Know About Radon Exposure

(StatePoint) Radon is present at high levels in a surprisingly large number of American homes, schools and other buildings. While this naturally-occurring gas is odorless, tasteless and colorless, it's far from harmless. Experts are raising awareness about the serious health risks associated with radon exposure and what you can do about it.

"Elevated radon in homes is more common than you may think. In fact, at least one in 15 American homes have elevated levels of radon, and this is something that shouldn't be taken lightly. Exposure to radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States," says Albert

Rizzo, M.D., chief medical officer for the American Lung Association. "The good news is that it is easy to test for radon. Do-it-yourself test kits are simple to use and inexpensive."

In an effort to eliminate this preventable lung cancer risk factor, protect all communities and buildings, and save lives, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), along with strategic partners like the American Lung Association, have launched a new five-year National Radon Action Plan. The campaign is sharing five important things to know about radon:

1. Radon exposure is life-threatening. Radon-related lung cancers are responsible for an estimated

21,000 deaths annually in the United States.

2. Smoking and radon exposure can separately increase the risk of lung cancer. If you smoke, exposure to both tobacco and radon enhances the risk of lung cancer even further.

3. The only way to detect radon in your home is to test the air. The EPA urges anyone with radon levels above 4 pCi/L to take action to fix their homes. Both the EPA and the American Lung Association recommend that mitigation be considered if levels are greater than 2 pCi/L. After high levels are detected and confirmed, a radon mitigation system should be installed by a radon professional.

4. Radon testing should always be done when you buy a home and after building a new home. Many states now require radon results (if known) to be disclosed during a real estate transaction. Some states require testing in priority buildings like schools and daycares.

5. When high levels of radon are detected, professional radon mitigation should be a priority. Do-it-yourself radon mitigation is typically not an effective long-term solution. Some state health departments offer financial assistance or low interest loans for radon mitigation.

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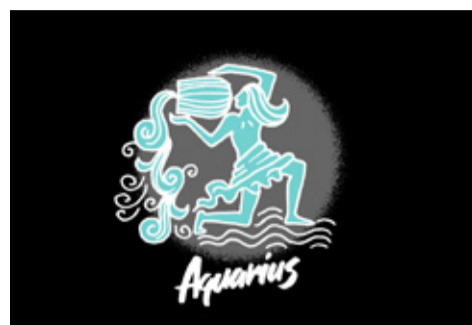
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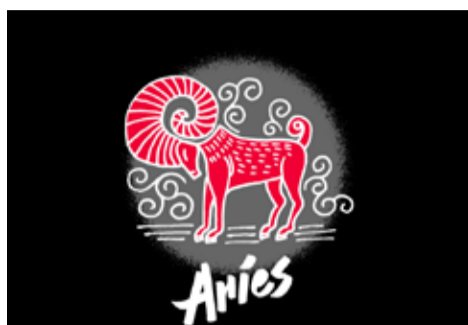
You are objective, yet idealistic. You are restless, yet stubborn. It's a good week to use all of that to your advantage. Not sure how, but you can figure it out because you are brilliant, yet sometimes slow.



PISCES

Feb. 20 – March 20

If wishes and dreams were candy and nuts . . . actually, no one is exactly sure what that odd saying means. But you do Pisces. You are usually a step ahead, especially in the common sense area.



ARIES

March 21 – April 20

It's a good week to release some of the pent-up energy that's been building all winter and do some early spring cleaning, Aries. Now if the weather would just cooperate and act like it!



TAURUS

April 21 – May 21

Been watching the NBA and getting ready for March Madness, Taurus? This is a perfect week to leap off that couch, shout at the top of your lungs . . . and then settle back with a blanket. No sense being silly.



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May 22 – June 22

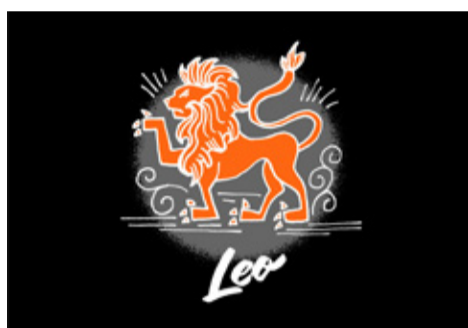
You are smart, Gemini, and that has served you well. While everyone rushed out to buy the pricey flowers and such for their sweeties, you waited for Feb. 15 and paid half price. You may end up lonely, but hey, you'll have disposable income!



CANCER

June 23 – July 23

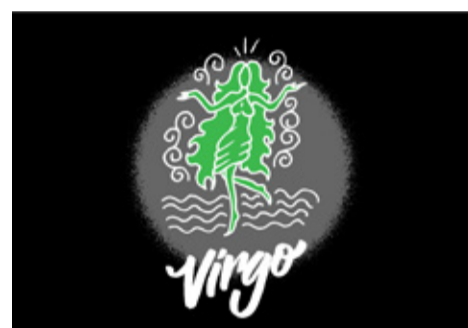
You can be incredibly sympathetic, Cancer but this is not the week to dwell on sympathy. No, cast off the bow lines, carpe diem and all that good stuff. It's smooth sailing ahead!



LEO

July 24 – Aug. 23

If money grew on trees then your life would be absolutely perfect, Leo. But hey, this is the real world and money must be earned. So suck it up, buttercup. Get to work and earn your keep!



VIRGO

Aug. 24 – Sept. 23

Picky, picky, picky, Virgo. Chill out. Play some Adele on the iPad and get your groove on. This is a week to take a step back and assess what's important.



LIBRA

Sept. 24 – Oct. 23

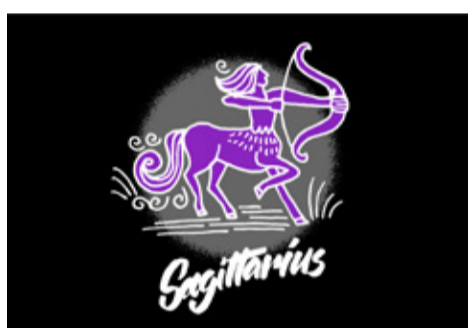
Last week was about details, Libra. Life is balance, so this is the week to go the other way. Have a fling. Take a dare. Be adventurous. You'll like what you find.



SCORPIO

Oct. 24 – Nov. 22

Finances are on your horizon, Scorpio. Yes, it's tax time but the signs all point to some sort of financial benefit. Maybe you've got a rich relative you've never met who's going to remember you in their will!



SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 23 – Dec. 22

Was it the philosopher Bertrand Russell who said that sometimes you just have to say, "What the . . . heck?" Or was that John Belushi on Saturday Night Live? Either way, wise words.



CAPRICORN

Dec. 23 – Jan. 19

Stay away from computers as much as possible this week. That's because the tech squad geeks are out to get you. Nothing personal. They're always out to get somebody and this is your week in the barrel.



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MÖTLEY CRÜE, DEF LEPPARD With POISON And JOAN JETT & THE BLACKHEARTS

After two summers of delays it is FINALLY happening!! The world's most iconic and celebrated rock legends will hit the road together this summer for a co-headlining tour SO MASSIVE that it could only be held in North America's biggest stadiums. THE STADIUM TOUR featuring, MÖTLEY CRÜE, DEF LEPPARD with POISON and JOAN JETT & THE BLACKHEARTS will hit select cities in the U.S. and Canada where each band will bring their electrifying stage shows while promising to perform their stadium sized anthems. Produced by Live Nation, the summer tour is set to steamroll through North America starting June 2022. The show in downtown Indianapolis will take place at Lucas Oil Stadium on Tuesday, August 16. Tickets will go on-sale to the general public for the Indianapolis show beginning Friday, February 25 at 10:00am local time.

Due to fan demand, the tour is adding 5 all new stadium shows to the epic run. Tickets for the new dates will go on-sale to the general public beginning Friday, February 25 at 10 am local time at www.LiveNation.com, check local listings for details. Def Leppard & Mötley Crüe VIP offerings for the 5 new shows will be available coinciding with the general on sale next Friday Feb. 25 at 10 am local time.

Citi is the official card of The Stadium Tour. Citi cardmembers will have access to purchase presale tickets for Indianapolis and Las Vegas shows beginning

Tuesday, February 22 at 10 am local time until Thursday, February 24 at 10 pm local time through the Citi Entertainment program. For complete presale details visit www.citientertainment.com. For Toronto, Vancouver, and Edmonton shows American Express® Card Members can purchase tickets before the general public beginning Tuesday, February 22 at 10 am local time until Thursday, February 24 at 10 pm local time.

Following the huge success of their NETFLIX biopic THE DIRT, Mötley Crüe has seen a massive surge in new audience with fans around the world demanding the band tour again. This led to the band members reuniting and announcing that "Mötley Crüe is back" in 2019. While The Dirt caused a meteoric 350% increase in streams of Mötley Crüe's music across all platforms and the younger 18-44 demographic now represents 64% of the band's fanbase most of the new fans have never seen any of the band's legendary live shows that Crüeheads have relished for 4 decades. In 2021, Mötley Crüe celebrated their 40th band anniversary, as well as the 40th birthday of their iconic debut album, TOO FAST FOR LOVE. The 35th anniversary of their GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS hit album is coming up on May 15. Mötley Crüe have sold over 100 million albums worldwide, achieving 7 platinum and multi-platinum albums, 9 Top 10 albums, 22 Top 40 Mainstream Rock hits, 6 Top 20 Pop singles and 3

GRAMMY nominations. The band have amassed close to 5 billion streams across digital platforms. They have over 15 million social media followers, a New York Times best-seller and a star on the Hollywood Walk Of Fame. The band is ready to deliver an over the top stage show packed full of hit songs.

"It's on! We don't think we've ever looked forward more to kicking off a tour than this one. We can't wait to finally see all the fans across North America again. Get ready for a wild ride this summer!" Mötley Crüe said in a joint statement.

ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES Def Leppard are one of the most important forces in rock music. In 2019, the icons closed out a sold-out worldwide tour including a North American stadium run & headlining the UK's Download Festival to 90k screaming fans. Def Leppard's star continues to rise and prevail. The band have amassed a staggering 5.5 billion streams since 2018, reaching a younger 18-44 demographic that now represents 58% of their fanbase. Additionally, the band have garnered an impressive 15 million followers across their social media platforms. Def Leppard also celebrates the landmark 45th anniversary of their formation this year, marking 45 years of legendary rock 'n' roll history making. Def Leppard's influential career crosses generations and includes 110 million records sold, numerous hit singles and ground-breaking multi-platinum albums—including

two of the best-selling albums of all time, Pyromania and Hysteria, both of which are certified Diamond (10x platinum).

"On behalf of the band, we're beyond thrilled that the stadium tour is finally happening this summer ... it's been a while coming and we can't wait to get back on stage again & we can't wait to see you in one of the many stadiums soon!" said Joe Elliott.

POISON will be bringing a rocking real and relevant no holds barred thunderous live show to the Stadium tour this summer with the all original lineup of Bret Michaels, C.C. DeVille, Bobby Dall and Rikki Rockett. POISON will be unleashing an onslaught of hit after hit songs in its set. The humanitarian of the year, two years running, Michaels along with POISON is known to bring a unique style of passionate high energy, sincere gratitude and a positive attitude. Michaels engages all the fans and makes it an absolute epic ride of true live music. Together With C.C.Deville on guitar, Bobby Dall on bass, and Rikki Rockett on drums POISON will rock the stadium with a chemistry that will bring a big summer mega party vibe and Michaels promises to give 1000 % on the stage as the hotter it gets the harder POISON promises to rock!!!

Poison's Bret Michaels also added: "There are not enough words to thank the three generations of fans for making this such an exciting, record breaking, historical tour with the fastest sell outs in history

at these stadiums."

Joan Jett grew up during a time when rock 'n' roll was off limits to girls and women, but as a teenager, she promptly blew the door to the boys' club right off its hinges. After forming her band the Blackhearts in 1979, with whom Jett has become a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee, she has had eight platinum and gold albums and nine Top 40 singles, including the classics "Bad Reputation," "I Love Rock 'N' Roll," "I Hate Myself For Loving You," and "Crimson and Clover." With a career that has spanned music, film, television, Broadway, and humanitarianism, Joan Jett remains a potent force and inspiration to generations of fans worldwide. As a producer, she has overseen seminal albums by Bikini Kill, and the Germs' LA punk masterpiece 'GI.' Jett and Kenny Laguna (her longtime producer and music partner) co-founded Blackheart Records from the trunk of Kenny's Cadillac after rejections from no less than 23 labels. 40 years later, Blackheart is a thriving entertainment company producing music, film and television, and continues to champion emerging bands. Joan Jett and the Blackhearts continue touring the globe with headlining shows alongside fellow rock legends like The Who, Green Day, Heart, and Foo Fighters. After two COVID-19 postponements, the group will return to the road in summer 2022 for The Stadium Tour with Def Leppard, Mötley Crüe and Poison. 'Bad Reputation,'

a documentary about Jett's life, premiered to critical acclaim at the 2018 Sundance Film Festival and is now available for streaming.

"We are so excited to be back out on the road! We missed doing what we love most and can't wait to see the fans out there again!" said Joan Jett and the Blackhearts.

Emerging rock band Classless Act, signed to Better Noise Music, is set to open the tour. With the release of their single "Give It To Me" in 2021, the band has already received critical praise from the likes of rock media including SPIN, Loudwire, and more. Mötley Crüe's Tommy Lee was an early follower of the band and is excited to have them join him and his bandmates on the road, saying, "I remember when we went out with Ozzy in 1984 and how it was an insane game changer!! We literally blew up after having that opportunity to play live in front of 20,000 people every f***ing night! Since then, we've always felt it was important to help new bands; whether it was Guns N Roses, Skid Row or so many others. This summer we're gonna help out Classless Act."

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Jason Aldean To Bring Rock N' Roll Cowboy Tour To 34-Cities Nationwide In The Summer 2022

Multi-Platinum entertainer Jason Aldean announces today that he will gear up for the road this summer with his ROCK N' ROLL COWBOY TOUR, produced by Live Nation. The 34-city trek will include special guests Gabby Barrett, John Morgan and Dee Jay Silver. The "Aldean Army" fan club can first purchase tickets tomorrow (2/15 at 10:00A Local Time), before general on sale this Friday (2/18 at 10:00A Local Time) at www.livenation.com. The tour will make a stop at Ruoff Music Center located in Noblesville, Indiana on Saturday, August 13, 2022 as part of the Coors Light Concert Series.

"I'm ready to get back out and feel the nights come alive," Aldean said. "We are already thinking about the the setlist... there will be some songs off the new record like 'Rock And Roll Cowboy,' which felt like a great tour name because it's all about knowing you belong on the road."

This year's CRS Humanitarian Award recipient built the ROCK N' ROLL COWBOY TOUR namesake from his recently released heavy-hearted dispatch track "Rock And Roll Cowboy" off his upcoming expansive 10th release double-album MACON, GEORGIA (Macon Music/Broken Bow Records), available in its entirety on April 22. As "MACON exhibits Aldean's dynamic ap-

proach to Country music" (American Songwriter), it is sure to translate onstage as "he knows how to augment and enrich the fan experience with dazzling light shows and pyrotechnics," (Spokesman Review).

The three-time ACM "Entertainer of the Year" has bolstered 26 No. One hits, 15 billion streams and more than 20 million albums sold as "he has blended his own recipe and it's one that has vaulted him to the pinnacle of Country music success," (Atlanta Journal Constitution). Notably, seven of Aldean's previous studio albums have been certified PLATINUM or more and he has the most Top 10 song on Billboard's Hot Country Songs chart, more than any other artists, since making his chart debut in 2005. The current GRAMMY nominee continues to be one of a card-carrying member of Country's elite headliners whose incendiary tours are nearing legendary status as his shows are "filled with the perfect mix of rockin' anthems and raucous drinkin' songs," (Herald Extra). The multi-Platinum singer also founded Wolf Moon Bourbon, an 80 proof bourbon that has been distilled from Midwestern grains and aged for four years offering a finish of caramel, oak and spice. For more information, visit www.JasonAldean.com.

Warner Music Nashville's multi-PLATINUM

star Gabby Barrett is setting the trend in Country music. Amassing nearly 2 BILLION global streams to her credit, Barrett's expanded version of her acclaimed debut album, GOLDMINE (DELUXE), features current single "Pick Me Up." Breaking out with her top-streaming GOLD LP, the wildly-praised collection launched her meteoric 5X PLATINUM "I Hope" – the most-streamed Country song of 2020; 4-week Hot AC #1 crossover "I Hope (feat. Charlie Puth)" – which earned the iHeartRadio Titanium Award for reaching over 1 BILLION radio spins; and PLATINUM three-week #1 "The Good Ones." Next to be honored at Billboard's 2022 Women in Music Awards with the "Rising Star Award" presented by Honda, ACM's reigning "New Female Artist of the Year" is also set to co-host the 57th Academy of Country Music Awards™ and nominated for "Female Artist of the Year." Adding even more elite wins to her goldmine of accolades from American Music Awards, Billboard Music Awards, iHeartRadio Music Awards, and CMT Music Awards, Barrett was recognized as one of the five 2021 CMT Artists of the Year. For more information visit www.gabbybarrett.com.

John Morgan brings a blue-collar toughness to Country that's pulled straight from the only life he knows. Hailing from

a tiny town called Sylva, deep in the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina, John Morgan grew up immersed in Bluegrass tradition and even toured the festival circuit each summer in a family band, before diving into songwriting, inspired by six-string legends from Tony Rice to John Mayer. More than a year after selling everything he had to follow his dream, an only-in-Nashville story involving Uber drivers and impressive demos led to a writing session with Kurt Allison and Tully Kennedy—two incredible songwriters and longtime bandmates of Aldean. That session led to the superstar cutting eight songs written by John, including "If I Didn't Love You". Aldean signed John to Night Train Records, his imprint with BBR Music Group and his debut track, COLDEST BEER IN TOWN was released in 2021. For more information visit www.johnmorganmusic.com.

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Whiskey Myers 'Tornillo Tour' 2022

Country-rockers Whiskey Myers have announced their new album "Tornillo" to be released on July 29th along with a 41-date tour which includes a stop in downtown Indianapolis at TCU Amphitheater at White River State Park on Friday, May 20, 2022. Tickets go on sale to the general public starting Thursday, February 24 at 10 AM local time at www.livenation.com. The show will feature support from Shane Smith & The Saints and Goodbye June.

ABOUT WHISKEY MYERS

Genre-bending band Whiskey Myers have played more than 3,000 live shows to ever-increasing crowd sizes since their emergence in 2007. Their self-produced fifth studio album, WHISKEY MYERS, debuted at No. 1 on both the Country and Americana/Folk sales charts, at No. 2 on the Rock chart and No. 6 on the all-genre Billboard 200 chart. The self-titled project follows their previous album, Mud, which reached No. 1 on the iTunes Country chart with single "Stone" hitting Top 10 all-genre. In total, Whiskey Myers have sold more than 1.2 million albums and amassed over 1.5 billion streams while earning three RIAA Gold certifications.

USA Today describes the band led by frontman Cody Cannon as "a riff-heavy blend of Southern rock and gritty country that has earned comparisons to

the Allman Brothers Band and Led Zeppelin," with Rolling Stone noting "it's the seminal combination of twang and crunchy rock & roll guitars that hits a perfect sweet spot." The band known for their high-energy live show and unique sound has also earned sync success with features (and an appearance) in Paramount Network's hit show "Yellowstone" as well as the Renée Zellweger-led Netflix series "What/If," the Angelina Jolie film "Those Who Wish Me Dead" and hit CBS series "SEAL Team."

For more information, visit www.whiskeymyers.com and follow on social media @WhiskeyMyers.

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