⇒ TODAY'S VERSE

Psalm 145:21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and



TACES OF **HAMILTON COUNTY**

What makes Randy Sherman smile? "Being around people and enjoying their company," said the 51-year-old Fishers resident, a 1988 graduate of Noblesville High School. He is an architect and partner with Weaver Sherman Design, a residential-focused architecture firm that does land planning, as well, in Broad Ripple and is looking to move his company to Fishers in the next couple of years. Sherman was found attending Thursday's ground-breaking ceremony for the \$60-million East Bank (apartments/parking garage/retail) development, coming at 5th Street and Maple Avenue in downtown Noblesville. Sherman was born in Muncie, and his parents worked for General Motors, "so we moved all over the place." He said, "We started out in Pendleton." He attended schools in Pendleton, Shreveport, La., El Paso, Texas, and always came back to Indiana. At NHS, he said, "I had a wonderful drafting instructor (Mr. Kirk Molebash) at Noblesville High School that realized my goal to get into architecture school, and in my senior year allowed me to take two years of drafting in one year by eating lunch in his classroom and teaching me ... If it weren't for him, I wouldn't have met the prerequisite to get into architecture school," said the Ball State University architecture graduate. His Weaver Sherman Design business partner started the architecture company in 1985. and Sherman joined him in 1993 as an intern and slowly became partner in 2007. Family? "I have a wife, Lee Ann, who actually I met when I was in fifth grade in Pendleton and was going to school there. We all moved away and came back and met up after college, and now we have two girls. Regan (22) and Kim (20), both attending Purdue University." In Noblesville, he lived in the Wellington neighborhood, and his parents moved to Morse Lake when he went to college. Pastimes? "I like water sports, snow skiing and just spending time with family." Growing up, one of his hobbies was drawing and sketching. "Early on, I thought I wanted to be an automotive designer, so that was where I started until I did research and found out how few people ended up with that career

And Another Thing...

The Farmer's Bank Noblesville Office will be hosting a free community shred day on Saturday, April 23 between 9 - 11 a.m. They ask that you do not bring shed items in plastic bags; rather use standard size cardboard boxes or paper bags. The shred event will end once the shred truck is full, so make sure to get over early with anything you've been wanting to shred!

after they graduate. So I thought

always drawn that as well." Read

more about the East Bank project

and ground-breaking ceremony

in the Betsy Reason column in

today's edition of The Times.

architecture was also fun and had



NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA



Boomer Bits

Ask Rusty - Will My Wife Get a **Spouse Benefit When I Claim at 70?**

Dear Rusty: My wife started receiving her social security at 65 (her full retirement age) and she will be 69 years old this July. I was able to receive half of her social security under an older law. This April, I will turn 70 and will start to receive my own Social Security. I know I will no longer be receiving a spousal benefit at that time, but what I don't understand is will my wife be able to claim a spousal benefit and collect 50% of my Social Security. She presently is receiving about \$930 but

by John Grimaldi

Weight loss jokes such as the

one that goes, "I'm on a seafood

diet. When I see food I eat it,"

After all as we age our metab-

what causes those extra pounds.

Right? Wrong! Researchers now

into energy, doesn't weaken with

The Harvard Medical School

defines metabolism as "the com-

bination of all the chemical pro-

cesses that allow an organism to

sustain life. For humans, this in-

won't help you lose weight.

olism slows down and that's

tell us that metabolism, your

body's process of turning food

age, at least not until after you

turn 60.

might give you a laugh but they



Study Makes It Hard to Blame Weight

Gain on Your Metabolism as You Age

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50% of my social security could be around \$1800. Can you provide any insight on this? Signed: Turning 70

Dear Turning: You are cor-

food into energy for life-sus-

taining tasks such as breathing,

circulating blood, building and

repairing cells, digesting food,

Herman Pontzer, Associate

thropology at Duke University,

conducted a wide-ranging study

of individuals between the ages

of eight days and 90-plus years

old. His research team assessed

how many calories the members

of each age group burned, keep-

ing track of how body size and

age affected the rates of burn.

"We found that there are four

distinct metabolic phases in life.

Zero to one years old, one to 20

Professor of Evolutionary An-

and eliminating waste.'

rect that you are now collecting your spouse benefit under an "old law," which was changed

See RUSTY Page A6

Six Earth Day Tweaks You Can Make to Your **Shopping Habits**

(StatePoint) Earth Day, celebrated April 22, is a good time to consider making more sustainable tweaks to the way you shop.

With major companies leading the charge, it's easier than you might think. For example, Amazon co-founded and became the first signatory to The Climate Pledge in 2019. Now, more than 300 companies have signed the Pledge and committed to reaching net-zero carbon by 2040, working together and taking bold steps to decarbonize their businesses and fight climate change.

See SHOPPING Page A6



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Republic Development president Richard Arnos (left) speaks Thursday morning at a ground-breaking ceremony for a Republic/J.C. Hart \$60-million mixed-use development with four-story apartment building, parking garage and retail shops at Fifth Street and Maple Avenue along the east side of the White River in the 3.4-acre area of the former McMillan's Auto Care & Towing and the **Hamilton County Employee Parking Lot in Noblesville.**

Architect: 'Old Filling Station Best Site in Entire City'



BETSY REASON

Noblesville **High School** graduate and dy Sherman envisioned apartments,

More than 10 years ago, architect Ran-

a parking garage and retail shops at Fifth Street and Maple Avenue overlooking White River in downtown Noblesville.

He had driven by McMillan's Auto Care & Towing, a former Shell gas station, hundreds of

Sherman's hope was to design a mixed-use project there and make it a reality.

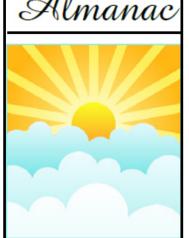
'The best site in the entire city is the old filling station by the river right off the Square. And

it would be my dream to work on that someday," Sherman told John C. Hart, chairman of the board at J.C. Hart, a Carmel company that has been developing, building and managing luxury apartment communities since 1976.

"Randy told John Hart and I on several occasions," said

See BETSY Page A6

The Daily Almanac



Sunrise/Sunset RISE: 7:04 a.m. SET: 8:23 p.m.



High/Low **Temperatures** High: 57 °F Low: 41 °F



Wacky Holiday Today • Husband Appreciation Day

- National Librarian Day • National Orchid Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1917 Vladimir Lenin returns to Russia from exile • 1964 The Rolling Stones
- release their debut album • 2003 Ten new member states are admitted to the European Union





Births On This Day

- 1889 Charlie Chaplin English actor, director, producer, screenwriter, composer
- 1927 Pope Benedict XVI

Deaths On This Day • 1859 Alexis de Tocque-

ville

French historian, scientist • 1850 Marie Tussaud French sculptor, founded Madame Tussauds Wax Museum

HONEST HOOSIER

Happy Easter Hamilton County! God bless!



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⊃ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Be nice to nerds. You may end up working for them. We

- Charles J. Sykes

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Teens need about ten hours of sleep while school-age kids should get 10-12. 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.



OBITUARIES Matthew Henry Lackner

Maureen "Mo" Kopatz Robin L. Gray



The Times appreciates all our customers Today, we'd like to personally thank **Nancy Coshow** for subscribing!

TODAY'S JOKE

Why should you never trust stairs? They are always up to something.







PAGE TWO WEEKEND, APRIL 16-17, 2022

OBITUARIES

Matthew Henry Lackner Nov. 26, 1970 - April 11, 2022

Matthew Henry Lackner, 51, of Fishers, passed away on Mon., April 11, 2022 at Franciscan St. Francis Health in Indianapolis after a courageous battle with ALL Leukemia.

He was born on Nov. 26, 1970 to Robert, Sr. and Carolyn (Bigler) Lackner in Indianapolis.

Mr. Lackner graduated from Cardinal Ritter High School and received a Bachelor's degree in IT from Indi-

ana Wesleyan University. He employed with Protective Insurance, Carmel IN, as the 2nd tier IT Manager.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #57 in Noblesville, IN. He earned and received his Eagle Scout Award with Troop #400, Indpls. Mr. Lackner was Cub Master for Troop #180, Fishers, and a troop leader for Troop #199, Fishers. He was also a Minisino/Firecrafter, OA Vigil Member, Order of the Arrow Vigil, and Course Director and Leader for National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and Troop Leadership Training for #199 (TLT). Mr. Lackner was also the recipient of the BSA District Award of Merit. He attended and supported the Wood Badge Program for adults and earned 4 beads. He enjoyed his role of educating and mentoring youth and adults through Boy Scouts and the lasting friendships that he made.

Mr. Lackner also enjoyed camping, fishing, cooking, traveling, and all types of music, especially live music (Shout out to BackStage, Bentleys, Razzmatazz, and the Peppermint Twist - if you know, you know!).

He loved spending time with friends and family. He loved tabletop games and card games. Mr. Lackner especially loved his Monday night DND group, Natural 1s and going with his gaming group to the annual Cabin-Con in Nashville, IN. He was always up for a loud and boisterous game of Blitz, Poker, or Chase the Ace around the Lackner Family table when everyone got together for birthdays and holidays. Mr. Lackner was looking forward to his daughter's college graduation, a trip to Gatlinburg, TN, and possible trip to Australia.

Survivors include his wife of 27 years, Natalie (Todd) Lackner; daughter Mallory Lackner; son Aaron Lackner; sister Pam (Barry) Brummit; brothers Joe (Roy Jones) Lackner, Larry (Dana) Lackner and Andy (Monica) Lackner; several nephews and nieces; several great-nieces; and one great-nephew.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his oldest brother, Robert (Robbie) Lackner, Jr.

Visitation is scheduled to be held Wed., April 20, 2022 from 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. with Troop #199 Honor Guard and Masonic Ritual scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. at Randall and Roberts Funeral Home (12010 Allisonville Rd, Fishers, IN 46038).

Mr. Lackner's Funeral is scheduled to take place on Thu., April 21, 2022 at 1 p.m. at Randall and Roberts Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens (9700 Allisonville Rd, Indpls., IN 46250)

Memorial contributions may be made to the Matt Lackner High Adventure Scholarship Fund C/O Troop #199, 11647 Tamarisk Boulevard, Fishers, IN 46038, Attn: Beth Spellman.

Condolences can be made online at www.randallroberts.com

Maureen "Mo" Kopatz

June 19, 1948 - April 12, 2022 Maureen "Mo" Kopatz, 73, passed

away on Tue., April 12, 2022 at Community Hospital North in India-

She was born on June 19, 1948 to the late John and Catherine (Simon) McDonough in Pittsburgh, Penn.

Mrs. Kopats was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. As a healthcare

professional, she was always available to family and friends in times of need to offer comfort and advice. She was there through childbirth, sickness, and times of uncertainty. Mrs. Kopatz was an amazing cook and enjoyed entertaining family and friends. She

frequently prepared meals for her co-workers too. She had a servant's heart and dedicated her life to helping others. She worked for 40+ years as an RN where she found her true calling in Labor and Delivery. In her career Mrs. Kopatz comforted and coached hundreds of women as they gave birth and provided just as much care to their babies as they made their way into the world. She was a fierce patient advocate and was respected by all. Mrs. Kopatz mentored numerous nurses and was depended on by the entire staff as she held a leadership position for most of her career. She was the quiet in the storm.

After retirement Mrs. Kopatz enjoyed cooking, reading, painting, boating, and attending grandkids' games and events. She spent a great deal of time with her husband, siblings and their spouses and was happiest when she was surrounded by the ones she loved.

She was an organ donor and even in death continued to care for others - her tissue donation will benefit breast cancer survivors and burn victims.

Survivors include her loving husband of 53 years, John; children Cara (Dan), Katie (Dave), and Corey (Nicole); grandchildren - all of which she helped usher into the world - Maureen, Avery, Peighton, Kendall, Jack, Chase, Danica, Will, Forrest and Harper; siblings Marilyn (Jim) and John (Marilyn); and her beloved nieces, nephews and other family members.

Her Celebration of Life is scheduled to be held at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road in Fishers on Sat., April 23, 2022. Visitation is scheduled to be held from 12 to 4 p.m. with a service starting at 4 p.m. Scrub attire welcome.

Memorial contributions may be made to the March of Dimes, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, St. Jude's or your favorite animal shelter.

Condolences can be made online at www.randallrob-



Oct. 16, 1953 - April 9, 2022

Robin L. Gray, 68, of Greenfield, passed away on Sat., April 9, 2022, at his residence in Greenfield.

He was born Oct. 16, 1953, in Anderson, Indiana to Wilbur Franklin Gray and Phyllis Ann (Noble) Gray.

Mr. Gray graduated from Madison Heights High School in 1971, and the University of Indianapolis in 1990. He retired from General Motors after 32 years of service.

reader, artist, writer, and outdoorsman. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren and loved animals.

Carmel, Lorean (Daniel) Miller of Fishers and Elliot Hersberger-Gray of Fishers; brother Barry (Vicki) Gray of Kennard; and grandchildren Andrew, Emma, Madelyn and Juliette.

He was preceded in death by his parents. A private memorial service will be held at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tue., April 19, 2022, at Hersberger-Bozell

Funeral Home, 1010 N. Main St Lapel, IN 46051. humane society.

bozell.com

Meeting Notes

Regular Board of **School Trustees** of Noblesville **Schools Meeting**

Agenda **Educational Services** Center Board Room 18025 River Road, Noblesville, Indiana

Tue., April 19, 2022 - 7

The items on this agenda are being addressed with the best interests of Noblesville Schools' students as the prime consideration.

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Moment of Silence

utes of the minutes of the March 1, 2022 executive session and the minutes of the March 15, 2022 regular school board meeting.

Noblesville Schools

- STEM / NHS
- Theatre / NHS
- Diving / NHS
- Wrestling / NHS

III. Reports

 Building Spotlight / Noblesville West Middle School Ryan Haughey,

Principal IV. Public Comment The board pro-

vides an opportunity for members of the public to address the board pursuant to Policy 0167.3 Public Participation at Board Meeting

V. Consent

Robin L. Gray





He was a master gardener. Mr. Gray was an avid

Survivors include his children Ian (Katie) Gray of

Memorial contributions may be made to your local

Online condolences can be made at www.hersberger-

I. Minutes

• Approval of the min-

II. Recognitions

- Art Contest / SC
- DECA / NHS
- Girls Basketball /
- Hockey Team / NHS • Girls Swimming &
- Boys Swimming &
- Diving / NHS
- Dance / NHS
- Hare Teachers of the Month / NWMS

• By single motion, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions which reflect application of Board Policy and Indiana Code. Any items marked "Consent" may be moved

on separately. o Contracts, Agreements, and Sponsorships

from the list at the option

of a board member or the

superintendent and acted

- o Donations o Out of State and
- Overnight Trips o Personnel

VI. Action

• By individual motions, the board approves/ adopts the following items or actions which reflect application of Board Policy and Indiana Code.

o Policy Adoption VII. Policy Consideration

- Policy 5722. School-Sponsored Publica-
- tions and Productions • Policy 6220, Budget
- Preparation • Policy 6230, Budget
- Hearing
- Policy 7300, Disposition of Real Property
- Policy 7310, Disposition of Surplus Property • Policy 7450, Property
- Inventory • Policy 7540.03, Student Technology Responsi-
- ble Use and Safety • Policy 7540.04, Staff
- Technology Responsible Use and Safety • Policy 8500, Nutri-
- tion and Food Services • Policy 8600, Transportation VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. Claims X. Project Hearing and Second Preliminary Deter-
- mination Hearing XI. Adjournment • The school board
- president asks for a motion to adjourn.

Meeting Notes

Westfield Redevelopment Commission

Meeting, April 18, 2022 at 5 p.m.

Westfield City Hall - Assembly Room

This meeting will be online viewable at: https:// www.youtube.com/user/ CityofWestfieIdIN Agenda

quorum and opening of meeting

Declaration of

opment Commission March 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes Approval of Claims

Ratification of 4. current Grand Park User Agreements - Matt Trnian

Grand Park 2022 Q1 Review - Matt Trnian **Executive Director** 6. Cam Starnes

Union Street 7. Development Agreement -Jeremy Lollar 8. Additional busi-

ness before the Commis-

sion Adjourn

Westfield Washington School **Board**

Tue., April 19, 2022 Work Session, Project Hearings & Regular Board Meeting Agenda

Work Session - Strategic Planning 5:30pm

Regular Board Meeting 7 p.m. - Student of the Month **Project Hearings**

8 p.m. Project Hearing - Monon Trail Elementary School Athletic Fields

Project Hearing - Westfield Library Purchase Regular Board Meeting -**Business Portion**

Will begin at conclusion of Project Hearings Westfield Middle School, Large Group Instruction Room

345 W Hoover St., Westfield, IN 46074 1. Call Regular Meeting

to Order A. Determine if Quo-

rum is Present B. Welcome Public to Meeting

and Pledge of Allegiance 2. Building Reports and Student of the Month A. Building Reports

C. Moment of Silence

and Student of the Month 3. Public Comment on Agenda Items A. Public Comment

4. Project Hearings

A. MTES Athletic

Fields B. Westfield Library **Purchase**

5. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Board Minutes B. Approve Accounts Payable Vouchers

(3/09/2022 - 4/19/2022)

Meeting Notes C. Approve Payroll Vouchers

- D. Personnel Report E. Motion to approve Consent Agenda as pre-
- sented 6. Business Update
- A. Coke Bid Approval B. 2015A Bond Refunding
- C. Capital One Credit Card Agreement
- D. WEF Donation
- E. CRES Expansion -Skillman Contract F. CRES Expansion -
- **CSO Contract** G. Westfield Library Purchase Agreement Ap-
- H. Project Resolution -MTES Athletic Fields
- I. Project Resolution -Westfield Library Purchase
- J. Preliminary Bond Resolution K. Reimbursement
- Resolution L. US 32 Property -
- Purchase Agreement M. Permission to
- Advertise Facilities Study RFP 7. Operations Update
- A. Construction Update B. Potential Trip to World Championship for WHS Robotics Competi-
- tion Team 8. Curriculum Update A. Virginia F. Wood
- B. Approval of Curriculum Resources 9. Communications

Early Learning Center

- Update A. Communications Update 10. Board Members and
- Superintendent Success **Stories** A. Success Stories 11. Next Meeting
- A. May 10, 2022 -Westfield Middle School 12. Adjourn

0-ft setback requested.

3. Docket No. PZ-

Section 2.06 Maximum

35% lot cover allowed,

41% requested. The site

is located at 4958 Saint

Charles Pl. (Kingswood

Subdivision Lot 47) and

is zoned S2/Residence.

(V) Messmer Pool

Filed by Jessica Murphy,

Variances. The applicant

2022-00050 V UDO

A. Adjourn

Meeting Notes

Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals Hearing Officer Meet-

Monday, April 25, 2022 Time: 5:30 P.M.

Hearing Officer: Mr.

Alan Potasnik Location: Carmel City Hall Caucus Rooms, 2nd Floor

1 Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 NOTE: This in-person meeting will be audio recorded and with minutes taken by the BZA Secre-

tary; the recordings will

be available via Laserfiche online. Agenda:

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance C. Reports, Announcements, Legal Counsel Report, and Dept. Concerns

D. Public Hearings (SE) Renewal, Kedanis Short Term Residential Rental. The applicant seeks the following special exception renewal approval for an existing STRR

1. Docket No. PZ-2022-00039 SE UDO Section 2.09 Permitted Uses, Residential Special Exception. The site is located at 131 Beechmont Dr. (Harrowgate Subdivision Lot 72). It is zoned R2/Residence. Filed by Karen (Lukovic) Kedanis,

owner. (V) Murphy Pool Variances. The applicant seeks the following development standards variance

approvals: 2. Docket No. PZ-2022-00049 V UDO Section 5.02.C.7 Pool/ decking setback must be

3-ft from any easement;

Approval Redevel-Former Hamilton County Resident Sentenced to 30 Months in Prison

Maria Caceres, 56, of Coral Springs, Florida and formerly of Hamilton County, Indiana, was sentenced late yesterday to 30 months in federal prison following her conviction of wire fraud, to which she had previously plead guilty.

According to court records, Caceres was employed by Seven Corners, a travel insurance business located in Carmel. Between May 2011 and September 2016, Caceres prepared and submitted thirty

to Seven Corners totaling more than \$650.000. As part of the scheme, Caceres and her accomplices created fictitious names under which they purchased insurance policies from the victim company. Caceres and her accomplices created false email addresses in the name of a hospital in Venezuela and submitted claims to the victim company for purported emergency medical services provided to the

none of these expenses were ever incurred and Caceres had created artificial customer accounts and false documents in support of the claims. As a result of the fraud, the victim company paid over \$588,000 to accounts controlled by Caceres' accomplices. Zachary A. Myers, U.S. Attorney for the Southern

in Charge Herbert J. Stapleton made the announce-The Federal Bureau of

District of Indiana and FBI

Indianapolis Special Agent

the case. The sentence was imposed by U.S. District Judge Richard L. Young. As part of the sentence, Judge Young ordered that the defendant be supervised by the U.S. Probation Office for one year following her release from prison. Caceres was also ordered to pay over \$496,000.00 in restitution. U.S. Attorney Myers thanked Assistant U.S. Attornevs James M. Warden

and Bradly P. Shepard who

prosecuted this case.

fictitious individuals during ment. fraudulent insurance claims international travel. In fact, Thanks for reading The Times!

seeks the following development standards variance approval: 4. Docket No. PZ-2022-00051 V UDO Section 5.02.C.7 Pool/ decking setback must be 3-ft from any easement; 0-ft setback from easement requested. 5. Docket No. PZ-

owner.

2022-00055 V UDO Section 2.04 Maximum 35% lot cover allowed, 45.7% requested. The site is located at 14493 Twin Oaks Dr (Ponds West Subdivision Lot 65) and is zoned S1/Residence. Filed by Kevin Messmer, owner. (V) Teter Patio Setback

Variance. The applicant

seeks the following devel-

opment standards variance

approval for a covered

patio: 6. Docket No. PZ-2022-00057 V UDO Section 2.06 Minimum 10-ft side yard setback allowed, 0-ft requested. The site is located at 10364 Orchard Park Dr W. (Orchard Park Subdivision Lot 134) and is zoned S2/Residence and Monon Overlay Natural Section South. Filed by Curtis Teter, owner.

E. Old Business F. New Business

Investigation investigated

G. Adjournment

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Meeting Notes

Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting

Agenda Wed,, April 20, 2022 -10 a.m.

Council Chambers City Hall, One Civic Square Meeting Called to Order 1. Minutes

- a. Minutes from the April 6, 2022, Regular Meeting
- 2. Bid/Quote Awards
- a. Bid Award for 2022 Paving; Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner
- b. Bid Award for 116th St, Carmel Dr, Main St, and Smoky Row Rd over Keystone Pkwy Bridge Rehabilitations; Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner
- c. Quote Award for 126th St over Keystone Pkwy Bridge Beam Repairs; Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner
- 3. Contracts
- a. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Calumet Civil Contractors, Inc.; (\$0); #16-ENG-37 – Roundabout Improvements - 116th Street and Medical Drive at Range Line Road; CO #1; Updated Completion Date of April 27, 2022. Jeremy Kashman, Director of Engineering
- b. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; HIS Constructors: (\$152,006.80); 20- SW-09 & 17-SW-14 - Sister Cities Garden and Monon Ditch Encapsulation; CO #1; Jeremy Kashman, Director of Engineering
- 4. Request to Use City Streets/Property
- a. Request to Acknowledge Mayor's Approval to Use Parking Spaces on Elm Street - 3rd Ave SW to Monon Boulevard; First Merchants Bank TV Commercial Filming; April 14, 2022; 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Greg Malone, Road Pictures, Inc
- b. Request to Use Children's Art Gallery Garden; Art in the Garden; June 11/July 9/ Aug. 13/Sep. 10/Oct. 8 / Nov. 12/ Dec. 10, 2022; 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.; Mary Jane Roth, Carmel Arts Council
- c. Request to Use Monon & Main Plaza / Street Closures in the CADD; Artomobilia; Aug. 27, 2022; 6 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Meg Gates Osborne / John Leonard, City of Carmel
- d. Request to Use Carmel Porchfest Spaces; Carmel on Canvas Plein Air Art Competition: Sep. 16 at 7 a.m. – Sep. 18, 2022 at 5 p.m.; Meg Gates Osborne, City of Carmel
- e. Request to Use Carter Green / Civic Square Fountain / Civic Square Gazebo / Street Closures; CarmelFest - Festival/Parade/ Fireworks; July 2, 2022 at 2 p.m. - July 5, 2022 at 8 a.m.; Steven Krusie, Carmel Rotary Club
- f. Request to Use Midtown Plaza; Movie Viewing – "2040"; June 16, 2022; 6:30 p.m. –10 p.m.; Madelyn Zalon, Carmel Green Initiative
- g. Request to Use Civic Square Gazebo; Book Club Meeting; May 23, 2022; 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.; Jennifer Humphrey, Carmel Clay Public Library
- h. Request to Use Civic Square Gazebo; Book Club Meeting; June 27, 2022; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Jennifer Humphrey, Carmel Clay Public Library
- i. Request to Use Civic Square Gazebo; Book Club Meeting; July 25, 2022; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Jennifer Humphrey, Carmel Clay Public Library
- j. Request to Use

Midtown Plaza / Lane Restrictions; City of Carmel Chinese Mooncake Festival; Sep. 10, 2022; 12 p.m. - 9 p.m.; Meg Gates

Osborne, City of Carmel k. Request to Use Carter Green; CHS Cheftacular – Ticketed Public Chef Tasting Event; May 2, 2022; 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Nicholas Carter, Carmel Culinary **Boosters**

1. Request to Use Palladium East Paver Patio; Fove for Fighting - Concert and Dinner Service; May 21, 2022; 1 p.m. – 10 p.m.; Amanda

Ahern, Hotel Carmichael m. Request to Use Midtown Plaza / Stage; Holiday PorchFest - Live Music; Dec. 10, 2022; 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.; Sondra Schwieterman

n. Request to Use Monon & Main Plaza / Main Street and Range Line Road Closures; Carmel International Arts Festival 2022; Sep. 23 at 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Sep. 25, 2022; Rachel Ferry

o. Request to Use / Close Main Street - From Range Line Road to 2nd Avenue NW; Late Night on Main; July 16, 2022; 2 p.m. – 1 a.m.; Sondra Schwieterman

p. Request to Use / Close Main Street - From Range Line Road to 2nd Avenue NW; Late Night on Main; Sep. 16, 2022; 2 p.m. - 1 a.m.; Sondra Schwieterman

q. Request to Use Midtown Plaza; Woods on Wheels - Lumberday - Earth Day Pop-up Museum; April 22, 2022; 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Samantha LaMar

r. Request to Use Palladium East Paver Patio; Lunn - Offenbach Wedding; Rehearsal is Oct. 21, 2022 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; Ceremony is Oct. 22, 2022 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; Amanda Ahern, Hotel Carmichael

s. Request to Use Midtown Plaza; NBA Draft Viewing Party; June 23, 2022; 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.; Taylar Thomas, **Indiana** Pacers

t. Request to Use Civic Square Gazebo; International Yoga Day; June 21, 2022; 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Parool Patel, Patanjali Yoga 21

u. Request to Use Midtown Plaza; Yoga on Midtown Plaza Lawn; July 23, 2022; 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Michaela Hubbard, Muscle Mobility Performance and Wellness Clinic

5. Other

a. Resolution BPW 04-20-22-01; A Resolution of the City of Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety Approving the Transfer and Presentation of Pistol and Badge for Deputy Chief Aaron K. Dietz; Chief Jeffrey Horner, Carmel Police Department

b. Request for Consent to Encroach and Variance; 5058 St. Charles Place; Carie and Paul Downes, **Property Owners**

c. Request for Grant of Perpetual and Non-Exclusive Easement; Duke Energy Indiana, LLC; Kawachinagano Japanese Garden; Jeremy Kashman, Director of Engineering

d. Request for Lane Restrictions / Open Pavement Cut; 704 Pawnee Road; Zach Spitz, Elevation Excavation, Inc.

e. Request for Waiver of BPW Res. No. 04-28-17-01; Small Cell - Node 13 at 13608 Ditch Road / Node 14 at 1694 W Main Street; Steve Carr, AT&T

f. Request for New Curb Cut; 140 North Range Line Road - Off 2nd Street NW; Property Owner

g. Request for Secondary Plat; Hamilton Crossing East, Lot 2; Mike Timko, Kimley-Horn

6. Adjournment

Meeting Notes

Carmel Board of

Zoning Appeals
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 25, 2022 Time: 6:00 PM Location: Carmel City

Hall Council Chambers, 2nd Floor

1 Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 Please Note:

• This In-Person meeting will be on Carmel TV and livestreamed on http://carmelin.new. swagit.com/views/1

• The meeting will be audio recorded and minutes taken by the BZA Secretary

• The recordings will be available via Laserfiche online

Agenda:

A. Call to Order B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call D. Declaration of Quorum

E. Approval of Minutes and Findings of Facts of **Previous Meetings**

F. Communications,

Bills, and Expenditures G. Reports, Announcements, Legal Counsel Report, and

Department Concerns H. Public Hearings (V) 11335 N. Michigan Road Apartments Variances. The applicant seeks the following

development standards variance approvals: 1. Docket No. PZ-2021-00224 V UDO Section 5.28 Parking - 506 parking spaces

required, 400 requested.

2. Docket No. PZ-2021-00228 V UDO Section 2.24 Minimum Lot Area – 5,000 sq. ft. per multiple-family dwelling unit allowed, 2,996 sq. ft. requested.

3. Docket No. PZ-2021-00234 V UDO Section 2.24 Maximum Lot Coverage - 40% maximum lot cover for multi-family dwellings in the B3 zone allowed, 52% requested.

4. Docket No. PZ-2021-00240 V UDO Section 3.88(C) Building Height - 20' maximum height allowed adjacent to residential uses; 26' 2-3/8" and 37' 8-1/4"

requested.

5. Docket No. PZ-2021-00241 V UDO Section 3.88(D) Building Facades - Buildings with continuous facades that are 90' or greater in width shall be designed with offsets not less than 8' deep and at intervals of not greater than 60' required, 1.5' requested.

6. Docket No. PZ-2021-00244 V UDO Section 3.96(B) Minimum Rear Yard Building Setback – 51.7' required adjacent to residential, 40' requested.

The site is located at 11335 N. Michigan Road, at the former Altum's Plant Nursery site. It is zoned B3/Business and located in the US 421 Overlay zone. Filed by Rick Lawrence of Nelson & Frankenberger LLC on behalf of Ryan Wells of REI Real Estate Services,

(V) Culver's Restaurant Variances. The applicant seeks the following development standards variance approvals:

7. Docket No. PZ-2022-00040 V UDO Section 5.30 Parking spaces: 70 required; 46 requested.

8. WITHDRAWN - Docket No. PZ-2022-00041 V UDO Section 5.29.B Bicycle parking location: within 50' of front door required, 76' to patio door (north) & 120' to the main entry (west) requested.

9. Docket No. PZ-2022-00042 V UDO Section 2.32 Lot coverage: 60% allowed, 68.3% requested.

10. Docket No. PZ-2022-00043 V UDO Section 5.39.H Signage - Number: 1 allowed, 2 signs requested (wall and ground).

The site is located at 431 E. Carmel Dr. It is zoned B8/Business and is not in any overlay zone. Filed by Jim Shinaver of Nelson & Frankenberger LLC on behalf of Bob Goins of K & J Investments XVL, LLC.

- I. New Business J. Old Busines
- K. Adjournment

Hamilton County Nonprofit Awarded **Grant to Expand Services to Victims** of Family Violence, Sexual Assault

Prevail Inc. of Hamilton County, a group that focuses on advocacy and support services for victims of abuse and crime, has received a \$210,903 grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) to improve services and provide more support to victims around the county

The ICJI has awarded Prevail and 45 other nonprofits a total of nearly \$3.5 million in federal grants to improve services for survivors of family violence and sexual assault. These grants were awarded through the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) program with American Rescue Plan funds

"With this funding, we will be helping organizations provide critical care support to individuals who may be trying to escape from an abusive situation or were just victimized." said Devon McDonald, ICJI Executive Director. "For us, it's essential to have the resources in place to, not only prevent family violence, but also accommodate and support survivors in their time of need."

Administered by ICJI, the FVPSA program is the primary federal funding stream dedicated to the support of emergency shelter and related assistance for victims of domestic violence and their dependents.

Last year, ICJI received supplemental funding through the American Rescue Plan to offer two new grants under FVPSA – one specifically designed to support survivors of sexual assault. Altogether, both grants are intended to help organizations offset certain costs associated with providing these critical services during the pandemic.

Funding will be used for the purchasing of technology to provide remote services, testing kits and cleaning supplies, employee retention and hiring, emergency preparedness, safety planning and more.

"The pandemic has changed how services are provided to victims," said Kim Lambert, ICJI Victim Services Director. "Many organizations are now offering virtual care options, on top of maintaining a certain base level of in-person support. This funding will help ensure a continuity of services by covering some of those pandemic-related expenses."

The grants were approved by the ICJI Board of Trustees in March and will be made available to organizations starting within the next couple of weeks.

Visit https:// content.govdelivery. com/attachments/ INSTATE/2022/04/14/ attachments/2132143/

Family %20Violence %20 Prevention%20and%20 Services %20Act %20 %28supplemental%20 funding %29.pdf for a list of the award recipients.

The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) is the state planning agency for criminal justice, juvenile justice, traffic safety and victim services. ICJI is designated as the state administering agency for distribution of federal funds and as the state Statistical Analysis Center for research. ICJI is responsible for coordinating and collaborating with local, state and federal entities to identify, assess, plan, resource and evaluate new and emerging issues facing the criminal justice and public safety spectrum. Visit www. cji.in.gov to learn more about the agency.

Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra Presents 'Greetings from the Middle East: Folk Songs & Scheherazade'

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra presents three performances of "Greetings from the Middle East: Folk Songs & Scheherazade" under the baton of Conductor Ruth Reinhardt. The program highlights Israeli composer Avner Dorman's contemporary Azerbaijani Dance. Vali's Folk Songs will feature mezzo-soprano Janna Baty, and the performance will conclude with the well-known Scheherazade by Rimsky-Korsakov.

Azerbaijani Dance is a new orchestral arrangement by young Israeli composer Avner Dorman, and was originally a piano work. Based on Azerbaijani melodies, it is a wild rhythmic celebration which combines various percussion instruments, central Asian rhythms, and middle-eastern scales with various quarter tones which are very different from the western-tempered scales.

Folk Songs (Set No. 10), is the tenth set of an ongoing cycle of compositions based on Persian folk music by Iranian composer Reza

Vali. The complex and enchanting rhythms of this work are ideally suited for Janna Baty, who performed the world premiere of this piece and is also featured on the only recording of the work. Vali's orchestral compositions have been performed in the United States by the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Seattle Symphony, the Boston Modern Orchestra Project, and many more.

Scheherazade, Op. 35, is a symphonic suite composed by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov in 1888 and based on One Thousand and One Nights (also known as The Arabian Nights). One of Rimsky-Korsakov's most popular works, he called the piece "a kaleidoscope of fairytale images." The score is full of enticing orchestral colors, fresh and stimulating melodies, and a rhythmic vitality.

Performances begin at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 21; 8 p.m. Friday, April 22 and 5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23. Per the ISO health and safety guidelines, proof of vaccination or a negative PCR test administered within 72 hours of the

concert start time is required for entry. Masks are optional at Hilbert Circle Theatre. For more information regarding the policies of the Hilbert Circle Theatre, please visit the ISO website. Ruth Reinhardt is

Assistant Conductor of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra (DSO). Reinhardt is quickly establishing herself as one of today's most dynamic and nuanced young conductors, building a reputation for her musical intelligence, programmatic imagination, and elegant performances. Born in Germany, Reinhardt began studying violin at an early age and sang in children's choruses. She attended Zurich's University of the Arts to study violin and received her master's degree in conducting from The Juilliard School.

Described by The Boston Globe as having "a rich, viola-like tone" and singing with "a rapturous, luminous lyricism, mezzo-soprano Janna Baty enjoys a versatile career performing with opera companies, orchestras, and at festivals around the world as a soloist, chamber

musician, and recitalist. She has performed with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Hamburgische Staatsoper, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Boston Lyric Opera, Orquesta Filarmónica de Bogota, Tanglewood Music Center, among many others. 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.





Gov. Holcomb Leads Europe Trip to Highlight Indiana's Global Economy



Gov. Eric Holcomb

Governor Eric J. Holcomb and Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers will lead an economic development trip to Sweden, the United Kingdom and Monaco from April 24 to May 1 to bolster strategic relationships and highlight Indiana's leadership in industries of the future.

"There's no substitute for thanking and meeting prospective investors in person," said Gov. Holcomb. "We look to build upon Indiana's ever growing global reputation already established by the recent record-breaking years of new job and capital investment commitments. We'll use our upcoming time in Europe to both strengthen key existing relationships and to promote our state as an international embracer of the industries of the future."

Europe represents one of Indiana's largest regions for foreign direct investment and trade ties with more than 550 European-owned businesses in Indiana. Coming on the heels of the IEDC's recently announced partnership with Avalanche Andretti, the trip will conclude with the Formula E World Championship race in Monaco. The Governor and Secretary will host key business prospects and showcase Indiana's economy of the future connected to motorsports and emerging technologies including electric vehicles, batteries

and clean energy. Gov. Holcomb, Sec. Chambers and First Lady Janet Holcomb and IEDC senior staff will depart for Sweden on Sunday,

April 24, and finish the trip in Monaco, returning to Indiana on Sunday, May 1. The trip falls just weeks ahead of Indiana's inaugural Global Economic Summit, during which Indiana will welcome delegations from dozens of international partners including Europe.

On April 26-28 in London, Gov. Holcomb and Sec. Chambers will meet with government officials, including Minister Penny Mordaunt, U.K. Minister of State at the Department for International Trade, and Greg Hands, U.K. Minister of State for Business, Energy and Clean Growth. Indiana and the U.K. share a strong trade relationship, as Indiana supports approximately 100 U.K.owned business facilities across the state, making the U.K. Indiana's second-largest European investor and third-largest globally. The Governor and Secretary will meet with Tate & Lyle, a global provider of food and beverage ingredients and solutions, to discuss how Indiana can continue supporting the company's integrated energy system in Lafayette, where it has employed more than 500 people and invested approximately \$75 million in energy and operational efficiency projects over the last two years.

Gov. Holcomb and Sec. Chambers will then head to Bristol on April 28 where they will meet with leaders from Rolls-Royce, which employs approximately 3,300 in Indiana, to discuss technology, sustainability and clean energy. In August 2021, Gov. Holcomb and Sec. Chambers joined local and federal leaders to celebrate the completion of Rolls-Royce's \$600 million manufacturing campus revitalization in Indianapolis, housing high-tech, revolutionary advanced manufacturing operations and setting the stage for future growth.

On April 30, they will meet with His Serene **Highness Prince Albert** II of Monaco before departing for the Formula visit iedc.in.gov.

E World Championship race. At the race, the IEDC will engage existing and prospective leaders in international markets, discuss electric vehicle mobility, innovation, and start-up/scaleup businesses, particularly in the green economy

Sweden is a prime prospect for innovative companies across key sectors, including electric vehicles and tech, with a thriving entrepreneurship ecosystem. In Stockholm, Gov. Holcomb and Sec. Chambers will meet with executives from Saab, a Sweden-based global aerospace and defense company, to discuss opportunities for continued partnership. In October 2021, Gov. Holcomb and Sec. Chambers joined company executives to celebrate the grand opening of Saab's new advanced manufacturing and production facility in West Lafayette, which supports production of the U.S. Air Force's next-generation T-7A trainer jet.

This marks Gov. Holcomb's 11th international economic development trip as governor and is the third international trip with the IEDC for Sec. Chambers. The cost of the trip is being paid through private donations to the Indiana Economic Development Foundation.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) is charged with growing the State economy, driving economic development, helping businesses launch, grow and locate in the state. Led by Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers, @SecChambersIN, and governed by a 15-member board chaired by Governor Eric J. Holcomb, @GovHolcomb, the IEDC manages many initiatives, including performance-based tax credits, workforce training grants, innovation and entrepreneurship resources, public infrastructure attraction and retention efforts. For more information about the IEDC,

Crouch, Indiana Broadband Office Designate Union County a Broadband Ready Community

Today, Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Broadband Office announced that Union County is now designated as an official Broadband Ready Community. The Broadband Ready Communities Program was created as a tool to encourage broadband development throughout Indiana.

The Broadband Ready Community certification sends a signal to the telecommunication industry that a community has taken steps to reduce barriers to broadband infrastructure investment.

"Our administration continues to advocate on behalf of communities to have reliable, highspeed and affordable connectivity for underserved and unserved Hoosiers," Crouch said. "Leaders in Union County have already taken steps to expand internet opportunities to residents by installing hotspots at the courthouse around downtown Liberty. We are energized by the many cities, counties and towns throughout the state collaborating on behalf of their citizens. Congratulations to Union County as it joins the list of certified Broadband Ready Communities! We applaud your continued efforts to encourage broadband investments to the area."

The certification was approved by the Indiana Broadband Office following the Union County Commissioners adoption of a Broadband Ready Community ordinance.

"The Union County Commissioners are pleased to announce that we are a Certified Broadband Ready Community. A 21st century economy demands that this aspect of infrastructure be firmly in place in order to promote development and to aid quality of place. In short, it says that Union County is open for business, and prepares us to compete on a level playing field. Once **Charter Communications** completes their work, Union County will have 90% broadband coverage. That in conjunction with our low crime rate, highly rank school system and low county taxes makes Union County a very attractive community to call home," stated Tim Williams, President of the Union County Board of

Commissioners. Earnie Holtrey, Project Manager at the Indiana Broadband Office, explained how 2022 has been an exciting year for Broadband Ready Communities.

"It's always an exciting day for our offices

and the entire state when communities take the steps forward to become Broadband Ready," Holtrey said. "Today is one of those days as we congratulate Union County's designation. Your work is recognized."

Via 2020 legislation, the Broadband Ready Community Program was transitioned from the Indiana **Economic Development** Corporation (IEDC) to the Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA). IBO began the day-to-day management of the Broadband Ready Community Program on July 1, 2020. For more information, visit in.gov/indianabroadband.

Under the leadership of Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch, who also serves as the Secretary of Rural Development, the Indiana Broadband Office (IBO) mission is to assist residents in need of affordable and reliable broadband connectivity. This mission of reaching Hoosiers where they live, work and play is accomplished by communicating with stakeholders, providing resources to a diverse audience, and leveraging established relationships with elected officials, associations, and providers.

For more information, visit in.gov/broadband.

Indiana's March 2022 Employment Report Shows Continued Drop in Unemployment

Indiana's unemployment rate dropped to 2.2% in March from 2.3% in February, marking the sixth consecutive month the unemployment rate has been below 3%, according to the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD). The national unemployment rate, by comparison, decreased to 3.6% in March from 3.8% in February.

In addition, Indiana's labor force participation rate rose from 62.1% in February to 62.4% in March, matching the national rate (also 62.4%). Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3,332,239—an increase of

16,304 from the previous 'The latest employment

data continues to show a positive trend with Indiana's labor force," DWD Commissioner Fred Payne said. "We are encouraged by the increase in private employment and the labor participation rate. This is a great time for those out of the labor force to take advantage of the open job opportunities that could lead to economic mobil-

Private sector employment in Indiana increased by 7,300 jobs over the last month, resulting in a gain of 101,500 jobs from this time last year. Total private employment now stands at 2,753,900—another preliminary peak for the state. The monthly increase

in jobs primarily can be attributed to: • Private Education &

Health Services (+2,200)Manufacturing

(+2,100)

 Construction (+1,400)

• Financial Activities (+1,300)

Currently, there are 154,713 open job postings throughout the state. The number of people in Indiana that received unemployment benefits during March was 22,013.

For training oppor nities and job postings, visit: www.hoosiertalentnetwork.com or www. nextleveljobs.org.

USDA Encourages Producers to Enroll Grasslands into Special Conservation Reserve Program Signup

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) encourages producers and landowners to enroll in the **Grassland Conservation** Reserve Program (CRP) starting next week through May 13, 2022. Grassland CRP provides a unique opportunity for farmers, ranchers, and agricultural landowners to keep land in agricultural production and supplement their income while improving their soils and permanent grass cover. The program had its highest enrollment in history in 2021 and is part of the Biden-Harris Administration's broader effort to equip producers with the tools they need to help address climate change and invest in the long-term health of our natural resources.

Grassland CRP is a federally funded voluntary working lands program. Through the program, USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) provides annual rental payments to landowners to maintain and conserve grasslands while allowing producers to graze, hay, and produce seed on that land. Maintaining the existing permanent cover provides several benefits, including reducing erosion, providing wildlife habitat and migration corridors, and capturing and maintaining carbon in the soil and cover.

"Grassland CRP is an important working lands conservation tool that offers a win-win to both our country's producers and the environment by supporting and enabling grazing activities, while at the same time promoting plant and animal biodiversity and stemming range-land conversion," said Susan Houston, Acting FSA State Executive Director in Indiana. "We had a successful signup last year, and we look forward to broadening our base and working with new producers, particularly our historically underserved producers, to ensure they can access the program and its many benefits."

FSA provides participants with annual rental payments and cost-share assistance. The annual rental rate varies by county with a national minimum rental rate of \$13 per acre for this signup. Contract duration is 10 or 15 years.

Broadening Reach of Program:

As part of the Agency's Justice40 efforts, producers and landowners who are historically underserved, including beginning farmers and military veterans, will receive 10 additional ranking points to enhance their offers.

Additionally, USDA is working to broaden the scope and reach of Grassland CRP by leveraging the Conservation Reserve **Enhancement Program** (CREP) to engage historically underserved communities. CREP is a partnership program that enables states, Tribal governments, non-profit, and private entities to partner with FSA to implement CRP practices and address high priority conservation and environmental objectives. Interested entities are en-

couraged to contact FSA. More Information on CRP:

Landowners and producers interested in Grassland CRP should contact

their local USDA Service Center to learn more or to apply for the program before the May 13 deadline. Additionally, fact sheets and other resources are available at fsa.usda.

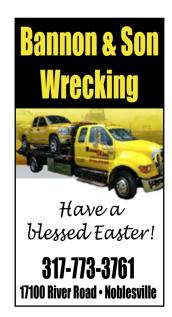
Signed into law in 1985,

gov/crp.

CRP is one of the largest voluntary private-lands conservation programs in the United States. The working lands signup announced today demonstrates how much it has evolved from the original program that was primarily intended to control soil erosion and only had the option to take enrolled land out of production. The program has expanded over the years and now supports a greater variety of conservation and wildlife benefits, along with the associated economic benefits.

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. Under the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit usda.gov.











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Rendering courtesy of the City of Noblesville

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen in 2021 announced East Bank, a \$47.9-million, now \$60-million, mixed-use development -- a four-story building with ground-level retail space and 219 apartments by J.C. Hart and Republic Development, that will be built on the 3.4-acre area that is formerly Mc-Millan's Auto Care & Towing and the Hamilton County employee parking lot. The ground-breaking ceremony on the project was Thursday.

Todd May, J.C. Hart's senior vice president of development. "Well, eventually, we got the hint, Randy. So it's really gratifying to see a dream come true."

May introduced Sherman, 51, Fishers, principal partner with Weaver Sherman Design in Broad Ripple, as the architect of East Bank, a \$60-million mixed-use development that broke ground on Thursday morning at Fifth and Maple.

J.C. Hart teamed up with Republic Development of Fishers, and together the two companies are known as East River Partners, for the project. Republic Development president Rick Arnos opened the ground-breaking ceremony with thank-you's to the County Council and Commissioners, and City of Noblesville, and introductions of his staff.

The East Bank project -- with four-story luxury apartment building containing 219 apartments, parking garage with about 275 spaces and 5,000-square-feet of ground-level retail shops -- will be built along the east side of the White River in the 3.4-acre area of the former McMillan's Auto Care & Towing and the Hamilton County Employee Parking Lot.

"Today was fun for me because it's a local project that I grew up seeing in my head and wanting to see something happen and make it a positive change for the community," Sherman said. "Today is kind of the day that it starts to become a realization."

He said, "Ten years ago, we did some sketching on it and brought it to J.C. Hart to say, 'Hey, this would be something that'd be good to look at for the community." He said, "The issue at that point, we really didn't have the ability to acquire the land and do that. Republic (Development) came on board and was able to get that accomplished without us knowing it initially. So that was even a greater surprise and a good find, to find out they'd been working on it.'

Sherman said, "It's going to be exciting to be able to drive this road and know what was here before and be able to see what is going to happen to it in the near future.

May praised John C. Hart Sr., who was unable to be in attendance. "John was just an absolute driving force behind this development ... Every single day ... he was just pushing us and pushing us forward," said May, who introduced his J.C. Hart team, including Mark Butler, who will be "running the show" as the project manager for the East Bank project.

"Soon there will be dozens and dozens of subcontractors working on this project, employing well over 400 to 500 people," May said. "We're proud to announce that everybody we have hired is a Hoosier-based company. So we're really proud of that."

He also thanked the City of Noblesville. "They were so supportive on every step of the way," and in particular, Andrew Murray, the City's economic development director.

Noblesville Mayor



Randy Sherman, Lead Architect for the new development

Chris Jensen, who referred to Murray as a "tough negoti-

ator," said, "It's really important to remember that every day when we enter a P-3 agreement with J.C. Hart or any other one of our corporations that we work with, we are investing taxpayer dollars in our community ... "I believe we're getting a great bang for our buck here with a \$60-million investment. I'm so excited about this."

He said, "...These new projects, contrary to what you may hear at times, are designed to add value to downtown, not take anything away. I know this project will do that."

While it's been several years since negotiations began about redeveloping this site, Jensen said, "With all great things, they take time.'

He also brought the conversation back to our Noblesville grad, the project's architect, with his own connection and tidbit. "Randy Sherman is not only a great architect, but he was raised by a good mother, my fifthgrade teacher, Jeanne Sherman, who's out here in the front row," said

Jensen, a 2002 NHS grad, who attended Hinkle Creek Elementary School.

Jensen attended the grand-breaking, along with other elected officials, including County Commissioner Steve Dillinger and City Councilor Greg O'Connor, and local leaders Noblesville Chamber of Commerce president Bob DuBois and Noblesville Main Street executive director Kate Baker, and others.

McMillan's, owned by Chuck and Dotty Mc-Millan of Noblesville for more than 35 years, since 1985, closed in November. Charlie McMillan, a 1981 NHS graduate who in 2020 ran for election for County Commissioner District 2 and who is currently running in the May 2022 primary election for Noblesville Township Board, is a master auto technician who worked all 35 years for his family business.

McMillan's Auto Care had been a Shell Oil Co.-branded filling station since 1938, according to history, until the gas pumps closed in 1999. Long before that, Mc-Millan's was the site of Noblesville's first brewery (built in 1865), shown on a map in 1866, provided by Hamilton

County Historian David Heighway. In a photo, circa 1880, was the Xafer Joseph brewery between 1869 and 1890, he said. Soon after that, it was occupied by Alice Manford, who ran a boarding house and restaurant. She sold it in 1935, and the first gas station was built in 1938. An April 27, 1938, Noblesville Ledger newspaper article reads that the filling station would take the place "of one of the oldest if not the oldest landmark in Noblesville," according to Heighway's research.

With Noblesville so rich in history, it would be thoughtful if developers would include some connections to history in the naming of space in the project, such as a Xafer Joseph brew pub lounge area or an Alice Manford commons area in East Bank, and old photos of those businesses and other that have existed on this property could be displayed in the lobby, to keep our history of Noblesville alive. Just ask Heighway, and he'll be right there with plenty of ideas, because he is always tickled to share local history.

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by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 and is no longer available to anyone born after January 1, 1954. You are also correct that since you are now receiving a spousal benefit from your wife on a "restricted application for spouse benefits only," you can claim your personal SS retirement benefit to start at age 70, at which time your spousal benefit from your wife will stop. You can apply for your age 70 benefit now, prior to April, but just be sure to specify on your application that you want your SS retirement benefit to begin in April (to avoid a reduction). FYI, you can do this online at www.ssa.gov there is a question on the application which asks if you are now collecting benefits from anyone else, to which you should answer "yes" and provide your wife's Social Security number. To apply online, you'll need to first create your personal "my Social Security" account, which is easy to do at www.ssa.gov/myaccount. Of course, you can also apply by phone at your local SS office or by calling 1.800.772.1213 but applying online is by far the most efficient method.

After you have submitted your application for your own SS retirement benefit, your wife can apply for a spousal benefit from you, but her spousal benefit amount may not be precisely as you believe. First, your wife's spousal benefit

will be based on the benefit amount you were entitled to at your full retirement age (FRA) of 66, not your age 70 benefit amount. Second, your wife was born in 1953 so her full retirement age is 66 (not 65). If your wife claimed her own SS benefit at age 65, she actually claimed a year early, so it was slightly reduced from her full benefit amount. That isn't a bad thing because it allowed you to collect your spouse benefit a year earlier, but it will slightly affect her spousal benefit from you and make it a bit less than 50% of your FRA benefit amount.

When a spouse takes their own benefit early their spousal amount will be less than 50% because of the way spouse benefits are calculated. Your wife's new benefit as your spouse will consist of two parts - her own benefit and a "spousal boost" to bring her payment to her spousal entitlement. Her "spousal boost" - which is the difference between her FRA benefit and half of your FRA benefit - will be added to her slightly reduced age 65 benefit and the total becomes her spousal payment, but it will be a bit less than 50% of your FRA benefit amount. Nevertheless, you were smart to take advantage of an "old law" which permitted you to get a spouse benefit from your wife while your own benefit grew to maximum.

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years old, 20 to 60 years old and over 60 years old,"

Pontzer's study revealed that while children have a very high metabolic rate, or Total Energy Expenditure [TEE], for their size. It found that the metabolic rate between the ages of 20 and 60 remains fairly steady and that it doesn't slow down until we get to be about 60 years old or

The doctors at Harvard

University, note that the Pontzer study "challenges previously held beliefs that metabolism correlates closely with organ-specific metabolic activity throughout growth and development, such that it is very high in infancy, childhood, and adolescence, and progressively declines throughout adulthood and old age. Instead, the authors observed that BMR [Basal Metabolic Rate] was 30% higher than would be

expected based on body and organ composition in children 1 to 20 years old, and 20% lower than expected in adults 60 and above. These deviations in expected TEE and BMR in childhood and old age support the notion that age-related metabolic changes may play a more important role than we previously gave them credit for. What's more, these results strongly suggest we may no longer be able to blame

weight gain in middle age on a slowed metabolism.'

- The 2.4 million member Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC] www. amac.us is a vibrant, vital senior advocacy organization that takes its marching orders from its members. AMAC Action is a non-profit, non-partisan organization representing the membership in our nation's capital and in local Congressional Districts throughout the country.

U SHOPPING From Page A1

As part of the Pledge, Amazon is working to reduce carbon emissions across its own operations, from adding 100,000 electric delivery vehicles to its global delivery fleet and investing in renewable energy, to inventing machine learning algorithms to arrive at the best possible packaging choices for deliveries.

Here are six tips to shop more sustainably for

yourself: 1. Browse wisely: When browsing Amazon, you can now shop from a selection of more than 300,000 products from more than 20,000 fan-favorite brands such as Honest Company, Columbia and Burt's Bees designated as "Climate Pledge Friendly." This ensures these products have one or more of 39 certifications that help protect the natural world. A new private brand, Amazon Aware, now features thoughtfully-designed, affordable, everyday essentials across

fashion, home and beauty made from materials such as recycled polyester, organic cotton, and biobased ingredients with certifications from the Climate Pledge Friendly program specific to product type.

2. Learn more about small brands: Brands, entrepreneurs and startups are overcoming the challenges associated with launching new products. Amazon Launchpad, which provides businesses with support, is sharing unique stories from brands with more sustainable products, including South Korean vegan skincare line, Melixir, as well as GOODSAM, SHANTI BAR, and White Leaf Provisions at Amazon.com/ Launchpad-Earth-Day.

3. Reuse: Discover and buy refurbished products that have been professionally inspected and tested to work and look like new. At Amazon Renewed, you can find great prices on pre-owned smartphones, laptops, tablets, desktops, and cameras, across top brands. Products are backed by a 90-day Amazon Renewed Guarantee. You can also look for items offered by Amazon Warehouse to find quality pre-owned, used, and open-box items, all of which have passed a 20-point quality inspection and are backed by a 30day return policy.

4. Donate: Shop at smile.amazon.com and AmazonSmile will donate a portion of your eligible purchases to the charity of your choice at no extra cost to you. Participating organizations include a wide range of environmental charities. Additionally, in celebration of Earth Month, U.S. customers can now say "Alexa, grow a tree" to donate \$1 to plant one tree through One Tree Planted, an environmental charity that supports reforestation around the world.

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trade in certain devices. cell phones and video games for an Amazon gift card? Through Amazon's Trade-In program, the devices are either restored and re-sold, or recycled, ensuring a more sustainable way to dispose of devices.

6. Recycle: Learn how to recycle packaging in your community by visiting the Amazon Second Chance page at amazon. com/amsc. Additionally. when your orders arrive, find details of how to recycle and dispose of packaging by clicking on the "Returns & Orders" section of your account. The website also features information on how to trade in and recycle products, and how to find open-box and refurbished devices.

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How To Create A Great Garden In The Shade

by Melinda Myers

Don't let limited sunlight stop you from growing a beautiful garden. Make the most of shady locations with proper plant selection and design strategies.

Start the season with native spring ephemerals like hepatica, spring beauties and trout lilies. These plants grow and flower early in the season before the trees leaf out, shading the area. They dieback soon after flowering as shade tolerant plants fill the garden. Look for those native to your region.

Select bright and lime green foliage plants that stand out in the shady corners of your land-scape. Combine them with your favorite dark leafed and flowered plants that tend to disappear in the shade. The contrasting colors help both plants pop.

Use plants with variegated foliage to light up the garden long after their flowers fade. Siberian bugloss (Brunnera) has blue forget-me-not-like flowers in spring and variegated heart shaped leaves. Variegated Solomon Seal's

upright stems covered with green leaves edged in cream, white bell-shaped flowers and yellow fall color provide multiple seasons of interest.

Barrenwort (Epimedium) also provides seasonal color in the shade. The heart shaped leaves are tinged red and emerge with the flowers in

spring. The leaves turn green for the summer and then change

once again to red in fall.

Add some height to those shady areas with bugbane. The leaves are topped with white spires of flowers in summer or fall, depending on the variety selected.

The white or pink blossoms of Roger's flower brighten the early summer garden. The big, bold leaves of this moisture-loving perennial resemble those of a horse chestnut tree.

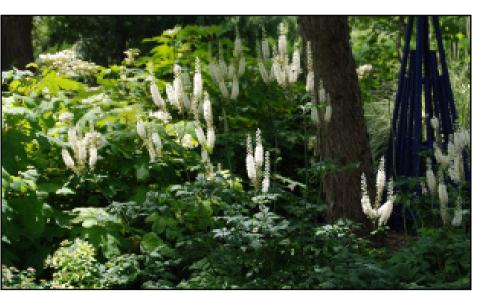


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Bugbane's white spires of flowers will provide some height to the shady areas in the landscape.

The narrow leaves of sedges and Hakone grass create a striking contrast with the bold leaves of hostas. For an even bolder statement and focal point include a few elephant ears.

Look for shade tolerant plants with a variety of leaf shapes and sizes. The differences in texture add interest to the shade garden. Repeat the leaf sizes and shapes to unify the garden. Use this same strategy to create continuity between sun and shade gardens in

your landscape.

Include a variety of plant shapes. Use columnar plants to create a focal point and weeping and mounded plants for a sense of fluidity in the garden.

A lack of sun is not the only factor to consider when planning a shade garden. The density of the canopy of trees or an overhang may also limit the water that reaches and is available to the plants below. Growing dry, shade-tolerant perennials will help reduce

long-term maintenance. Barrenwort, liriope, coral bells, foam flower, sweet woodruff and hellebores are fairly shade tolerant once es-

tablished.
Make
sure all
new plant-

ings are watered thoroughly and when the top few inches of soil are crumbly and moist. Proper watering the first few years will result in deep, drought tolerant root systems that will help these plants grow and flourish despite the dry shade.

When planting under or near trees, be careful not to kill the trees when creating your shade garden. Don't cut or remove surface roots, creating entryways for insects and diseases. Adding as little as an inch of soil over the roots can kill some tree species. Avoid deep cultivation which can damage the feeder roots that are critical for water and nutrient absorption since the majority grow within the top 12 inches of soil.

If there's too much shade to grow even shade-loving plants, consider mulch to protect the soil and tree roots. Add a chair for relaxing and enjoy this cool space as summer temperatures rise.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including The Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Summit for her expertise to write this article. Her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.



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A Perennial For Any Place

Does it seem like no plant will grow in your garden? Here's some good news: it is possible! Thanks to the huge assortment of perennials, there is a suitable variety for any spot. With the right choice and some care when planting, you can turn any area of your garden into a green oasis.

Sunny and dry spots Many perennials feel at home in dry, sunny spots. They come in a variety of colors and shapes. Sage (Salvia) is a true sun lover, as are daylily (Hemerocallis) and catnip (Nepeta). Most ornamental grasses also thrive in sun and dry areas, including moor grass (Molinia) and sedge (Carex). And, of course succulents like stonecrop (Sedum) and houseleek (Sempervivum).

Shade dwellers
Shade dwellers are
often forest plants with
somewhat more modest
flowering. But the effect
in the garden is still
great, especially if you
also play with leaf color,
leaf shape, and height.
Examples include knotweed (Persicaria), fairy

wings (Epimedium), and Corydalis. Solomon's seals (Polygonatum) is also perfect for shade.

Planting with care If you want your perennials to settle well, dig a planting hole that is more than twice the size of the root ball. Loosen the soil at the bottom and all around. Fill the hole up with enough soil so that the plant sits a little deeper than in the (cultivation) pot it arrived in. Water, in case of drought also in the following weeks. Once established, a perennial will come

back every year.

Mulch layer The golden tip for looking after perennials is to put some plant material around your plants to create a mulch layer. A mulch layer protects the soil from cold and heat, and prevents it from drying out. Weeds do not get a chance to grow, and it improves the soil structure. Plants that are not thriving are best relocated; they will often perform better elsewhere.

More information about perennials is available at www.perennialpower.eu.



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Kroger Symphony On The Prairie Presented By The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra is pleased to announce the 2022 season of Kroger Symphony on the Prairie starting June 24 at the Conner Prairie Amphitheatre. Fans will be thrilled with an exciting line-up that offers a funfilled musical summer experience for the whole family.

Tickets to the general public will go on sale April 12. Buy tickets here beginning April 12, 2022. Tickets may also be purchased at central Indiana Kroger stores.

Season highlights include ten performances by the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra; Melissa Etheridge on her One Way Out Tour August 5; Three Dog Night August 13; and the Spinners August 12. Audience favorites are returning for the 2022 season, including Arrival from Sweden: Music of ABBA July 30; Face 2 Face: Tribute to Billy Joel & Elton John August 6; and One Night of Queen performed by Gary Mullen & the Works August 19.

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra opens the 2022 Kroger Symphony on the Prairie season June 24-25 with Resident Conductor Jacob Joyce leading the orchestra in favorite classical music, including Ravel's Boléro. The patriotic Star-Spangled Symphony returns July 1-4 conducted by Alfred

Savia with vocalist Doug LaBrecque, accompanied by a fireworks finale. Principal Pops Conductor Jack Everly leads the ISO and a cast of Broadway performers July 15-16 in music from treasured musicals, including Les Misérables and Hamilton. John Williams Blockbusters on July 22-23 features music from the legendary composer's film scores, including Indiana Jones, Superman, and E.T. the Extra Terrestrial.

2022 Kroger Symphony on the Prairie schedule

June June 24-25: Classical Favorites with the ISO

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and Resident Conductor Jacob Joyce take you on a whirlwind trip around the globe with selections from Ravel's Bolero, Bizet's Carmen, Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker, Brahms's Hungarian Dances, and many more.

July July 1-4: Star-Spangled Symphony with the ISO

Your favorite patriotic celebration complete with fireworks! Featuring the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, Conductor Alfred Savia, and vocalist Doug LaBrecque.

July 8: Home Again: A Tribute to Carole King July 9: Never Die Young: A Tribute to James Taylor

July 15-16: Broadway Under the Stars with the

Join Principal Pops Conductor Jack Everly for this exciting performance of all of your Broadway favorites. Featuring music from Beauty and the Beast, Les Misérables, Hamilton, Moulin Rouge, and Wicked!

July 22-23: John Williams Blockbusters with the ISO

Get ready for a night of Hollywood's greatest soundtracks with the ISO under the direction of Conductor Enrico Lopez-Yañez, featuring the music of John Williams and more.

July 29: Hollywood Nights: The Bob Seger Experience

July 30: ARRIVAL from Sweden: The Music of ABBA

August August 5: Melissa Etheridge: One Way Out

August 6: Face 2 Face: A Tribute to Billy Joel and Elton John

August 12: The Spinners August 13: Three Dog

Night August 19: One Night of Queen Performed by Gary Mullen & the

August 20: The Fab Four: The Ultimate Beat-

les Tribute August 26: The Phil Collins Experience August 27: Master Blaster: A Tribute to Stevie Wonder

September September 2: Super Diamond: The Neil Diamond Tribute

September 3: The Springsteen Experience: A Tribute to the Boss

September 4: Here Come the Mummies Know before you go:

Gates open at 6 p.m. and concerts begin at 8 p.m. each night Date-specific tickets

may be purchased via the ISO website. Attendees must have tickets (mobile or hard copy) to enter each performance. Children two years old and under do not need a ticket.

In addition to purchasing online, patrons may scan a QR code at Central Indiana Kroger stores to receive a discount when they purchase tickets on the ISO's website. Tickets are also sold at the ISO Box Office located on Monument Circle.

Tickets can be downloaded to phones as mobile tickets for all ISO concerts at Conner Prairie. Likewise, patrons can print their tickets at home and bring them.

Table rentals, reserved seating, and tickets to the **Huntington Bank Sunset** Lounge are available in limited quantities. served seating tickets and table reservations (a maximum of ten per table) will go on sale to the general public April 12. Visit IndianapolisSymphony. org/SOTP for the list of shows that have reserved seating available.

Patrons may carry

in their own food and beverages and purchase refreshments on-site including beer, wine, and spirits.

Three large LED screens installed in 2019 enhance the stage view from every location on the lawn.

Reserved parking is \$40 for each show and provides easy-access parking. Reserved parking is available for individual concerts.

Groups of 30 or more may purchase discounted tickets to Kroger Symphony on the Prairie at a 10% discount. For group sales, contact the **Indianapolis Symphony** Orchestra Box Office at (317) 639-4300

For more information on any Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra indoor or outdoor presentation, contact the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office at (317) 639-4300 or online at IndianapolisSymphony.org.

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Backstreet Boys DNA Tour 2022

The Backstreet Boys. one of the best-selling bands of all time, announced additional tour stops on their DNA World Tour. The tour includes the previously announced and already on sale stop at Ruoff Music Center on Sunday. July 10 as part of the Coors Light Concert Series. Tickets are on sale now at LiveNation.com.

Recently, the band released the first episode of their new docu series Making Of The DNA Tour, giving fans an inside look of the preparation for their highly-anticipated world tour watch it here! Additional episodes will be available on The Backstreet Boys YouTube channel.

ABOUT BACK-STREET BOYS

For 29 years the Backstreet Boys have delivered the finest pop music one has to offer, making them one of pop's most influential performers. With countless #1s, record-setting tours, numerous awards and worldwide sales in excess of 130 million, BSB has been recognized as the best-selling boy band in history.

In early 2019, BSB released their GRAMMY nominated 10th studio album "DNA" on RCA Records. The album debuted at #1 and features the Top 10 hit "Don't Go Breaking My Heart." The critically acclaimed and chart topping single was nominated for the "Pop Duo / Group Performance" 2019 GRAM-MY, and was BSB's first hit on the Billboard Hot 100 in 10 years. Upon its release, the single went straight to #1 on iTunes Top Songs and Global charts and charted in over 22 countries.

In May 2019 the Backstreet Boys kicked off "The DNA World Tour" - the group's biggest arena tour in 18 years thanks to the global success of their #1 new album. The DNA World Tour has seen the group sell out arenas all over North America, Europe, Asia and South America. Over the years, the

Backstreet Boys nave continually captivated millions of people with their impressive catalogue of hit songs and

creative partnerships. About Live Nation Entertainment: Live Nation **Entertainment (NYSE:** LYV) is the world's leading live entertainment company comprised of global market leaders: Ticketmaster, Live Nation Concerts, and Live Nation Sponsorship. For additional information, visit www. livenationentertainment.

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TICKETS:

Tickets are available at www.LiveNation. com. All dates, acts and ticket prices are subject to change without notice. Ticket prices are subject to applicable fees.

Dead & Company 2022 Summer Tour

DEAD & COMPA-NY – Mickey Hart, Bill Kreutzmann, John Mayer, and Bob Weir, with Oteil Burbridge and Jeff Chimenti - is excited to announce its 2022 tour, the band's seventh tour since forming in 2015. The tour will make a stop at Ruoff Music Center located in Noblesville, Indiana on Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Tickets will go on sale to the general public beginning Friday, April 8 at 10AM at www.LiveNation.com. To ensure fans get tickets directly in their hands, Fan Registration is now available HERE until Sunday, April 3rd at 3PM. through Ticketmaster's Verified Fan program. The Verified Fan Presale begins Tuesday, April 5th at 10AM through Thursday, April 7th at 10PM.

Supplies are limited. Dead & Company and Activist continue their work with longtime sustainability partner RE-VERB to reduce the tour's environmental footprint and engage fans to take action for people and the planet. The band will also

build upon their successful climate action initiatives with REVERB's Music Climate Revolution campaign on this year's tour. In 2021, Dead & Company helped fund several global projects that collectively eliminated five-times more greenhouse gas pollution than created by touring, including fan travel. More details at REVERB.org.

Check deadandcompany. com for complete tour information.

Dead & Company was formed in 2015 when the Grateful Dead's Mickey Hart, Bill Kreutzmann and Bob Weir joined forces with artist and musician John Mayer, Allman Brothers' bassist Oteil Burbridge, and Fare Thee Well and RatDog keyboardist Jeff Chimenti, and has quickly become one of the most successful touring bands year over year. Since its formation, the band has completed six tours playing to millions of fans and became a record-breaking stadium act when it broke Wrigley Field's all-time concert attendance record, which

still holds to this day Having toured consistently since its 2015 debut, the band has grossed \$300 million and has sold more than three million tickets across 172 reported shows.

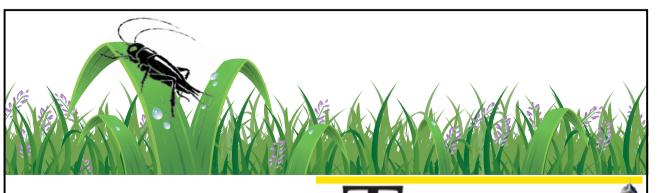
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