

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Psalms 89:1 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.



➔ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Molly Martin smile? "Anything," said the 25-year-old Noblesville resident. "I like to smile. I love nature. I like making other people smile. I love keeping Noblesville beautiful, help keeping it clean. I'm a person who just loves to smile." Wearing a T-shirt that reads "Hippie state of mind," she was found with her parents, Jack and Chris Martin, volunteering at the Keep Noblesville Beautiful nonprofit booth at the 2021 Noblesville Farmers Market, which just opened for the 2022 season at Federal Hill Commons. Hours are 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays. "Keep Noblesville Beautiful is a nonprofit organization that will help beautify our city, and we also put up a sculpture at the Midland Trace Trailhead." She was born and raised in Noblesville and graduated from Guerin Catholic High School in 2014. "After high school, I went and immediately got a job. I took a gap year from school, still haven't really gone to college. I'm not entirely sure what I want to do. I actually work for them" at Martin & Martin Insurance in downtown Noblesville. Molly and her parents belong to Keep Noblesville Beautiful. "I love Keep Noblesville Beautiful. I just love that we're able to bring awareness to our own city and to show off its beauty." She and her parents were also found this spring beautifying Logan Street with new plantings, readying for the Indiana Peony Festival, which will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 21 in Seminary Park in downtown Noblesville. Also, a VIP ticketed event, Peonies in the Park, will be 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. May 20 in Seminary Park, with peony-inspired dishes and drinks from 10 local eateries, for \$100 for VIP tickets. There is also a Brunch & Blooms brunch crawl on May 21. For more on the Peony Festival, visit <https://www.indianapeony-festival.com/>

And Another Thing...

Touch-a-Truck returns May 17; kids can explore Fishers' fleet of big rigs, including tractors, snowplows, police cars, and fire trucks at the free Touch-A-Truck event on Tuesday, May 17 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater (6 Municipal Drive). Enjoy live demonstrations from Fishers Department of Public Works, Fishers Fire Department, and the Fishers Police Department, and more. Wristbands are required to go on inflatables. Pre-registration is encouraged and allows participants to avoid waiting at the event; you can do so at <https://secure.rec1.com/IN/fishers-in/catalog?filter=c2VhcmNoPTlwNDA0NzQ%3D>. Wristbands can be picked up at Parks HQ (inside the Hub & Spoke building at 8100 E. 106th St.)

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Karen Williams Pryor of Noblesville was named Noblesville High School Alumni Association's Alumnus of the Year 2022 during the NHS Alumni Banquet on April 30 at NHS.

## '74 Grad and Lifelong Resident Named NHS Alumnus of the Year



BETSY REASON  
The Times Editor

Karen Williams Pryor couldn't help but have a big smile on her face as she heard her name called along with nice things being said about her.

A Noblesville native who was a varsity cheerleader and played clarinet in her school band and who spent much of her adult

life working for a Noblesville air-spring plant, Williams Pryor was named 2022 Noblesville High School Alumnus of the Year.

In 2015, she came onto the NHS Alumni Association board, as vice president, but quickly stepped up into the board president's position when needed.

"She stepped right in, took over, led our board without even hesitation," said Peggy Beaver, NHS Class of 1972 and

the Alumni Association's current board president. "Recently, we asked her if she would fill another position for us, which was our secretary position. She, again, jumped right in there, didn't hesitate."

Williams Pryor is currently the Alumni Association's Scholarship Chair and Membership Chair.

"This gal right here, I have

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## Three Cheers for Sen. Mike Braun



TIM TIMMONS  
Sagamore News Media CEO

While questioning Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra recently, Indiana Sen. Mike Braun

said this: "I think the government shouldn't be pushing kids toward irreversible sex change therapy. We're moving into territory we've never been in as a government. These kids are having a hard time and we

should be focusing more on mental health and not surgeries for kids that are totally irreversible. You're promoting things that are out of sync with most of America and I think it would be wise to back up a little bit."

Three cheers for the junior Indiana senator.

Let's be clear. I'm not a big fan of Mike Braun. Not a hater either. He survived a pretty ugly 2018 race with Todd Rokita and Luke Messer. Some called it

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## Cicero Kiwanis Club to Host Open House Sat., May 14th

The Cicero Kiwanis Club is hosting an open house this Saturday, May 14 beginning with breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at the Red Bridge Park Community Building. The club is taking this opportunity to showcase its club, services, and the difference it makes locally. It is also looking to bring on new members to join the club to help it continue to bring more benefit

to community and success in its mission.

"Members are the heartbeat of Kiwanis," said Dr. Derek Arrowood, a long-time member and current club president. "The passion of our members is what helps the club lend support to programs, projects, and other organizations that bring new

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## Fishers' Mayor Fadness to Host Town Hall on Impacts of Investment Home Rental

Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness will host a Town Hall to address the growing trend of large investment firms purchasing homes in affluent suburban communities for for-rent investments and its impact on local neighborhoods.

The Twilight Town Hall will feature a discussion led by Mayor Fadness; Kimberly Sutter,

partner with Eads Murray & Pugh, P.C., and Fishers staff to address challenges suburban communities across the country are experiencing, including:

- Sustaining home values
- Access to home purchasing
- Community impacts

Individuals who wish to attend

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Photo courtesy of the Navy Office of Community Outreach

Lt. Brent Hume, from Sheridan, Indiana, examines a patient's retina during a slit lamp exam aboard the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75), May 4, 2022. The Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group is on a scheduled deployment in the U.S. Sixth Fleet area of operations in support of U.S., allied and partner interests in Europe and Africa.

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➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Mosquito repellants containing DEET are the most effective and are safe for anyone those older than two months. 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](http://www.thetimes24-7.com).



➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Smart people learn from everything and everyone, average people from their experiences, stupid people already have all the answers."

- Socrates

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

Why don't drivers eat before the 500? They don't want Indy-gestion!

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Here's a big, ol' tip of the seed corn cap to Ma Nature! Thanks for the weather of late. It's felt more like mid-summer, which is just fine with me!



➔ OBITUARIES

Scott Alan McDonough  
Natalia (Applegate) Wilkins



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## OBITUARIES

### Scott Alan McDonough January 4, 1970 - May 9, 2022

Scott Alan McDonough, 52, of Noblesville, passed away on Monday, May 9, 2022 at his home.

He was born on January 4, 1970 in Terre Haute, Indiana. Mr. McDonough was the owner of Mufflers & More for over 30 years. He enjoyed boating on the lake, snow skiing, and spending time with friends. Most of all, he loved spending time with his daughter Madilyn.

Survivors include his mother Linda (Gregory) Adams; two children Tyler and Madilyn Anne McDonough; fiancée Robin Takacs; sister Kelly McDonough; several aunts, uncles, and cousins; and many special family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father Charles Thomas McDonough.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville.

Online condolences may be made at [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).



### Natalia (Applegate) Wilkins January 9, 1937 - May 8, 2022

Natalia (Applegate) Wilkins, 85, of Westfield passed away May 8, 2022, following a short bout with cancer.

She was born January 9, 1937, in Carmel, an only child of the late Jerald and Thelma (Goodner) Applegate. She remained a lifelong resident of Hamilton County.

After raising her children, Ms. Wilkins pursued her dream of becoming a nurse. Graduating nurses training, she began working at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis, in 1984 where she worked in the Cardiac Critical Care Unit for 15 years fulfilling her calling. In 1999, Ms. Wilkins retired to care for her dad and enjoy the grandchildren.

Her passion was spending time with her children and grandchildren, whom she loved deeply. She would say "a great day is playing with my grandchildren in my playhouse!" Ms. Wilkins loved the holiday festivities, maintaining a beautiful lawn and flowers of all varieties. She was an avid train enthusiast. Her greatest joy of all was the few hours she spent with Fred before he passed.

Survivors include her three devoted children Jacinta (Tom) Stephenson, Derinda Vessely and Devon (Tracey) Wilkins; six grandchildren Wilson (Dani) Vessely, Anna Vessely, Jennifer (Dan) Chester, Jason (Nicole) Clark, Jill Gilmer and Joe Clark; and five great-grandchildren Mav Chester, Averie Clark, Nichole Clark, Layla Clark and Lane Clark.

Family and friends are scheduled to gather on Friday, May 13, 2022 at 10 a.m. in Eagle Creek Evangelical Friends Church, 18103 Eagletown Road, Westfield, IN 46074, where the Funeral Service is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m.

Burial will follow in Carmel Cemetery.

Please consider donations in memory of Ms. Wilkins to Ronald McDonald House Charities, 435 Limestone Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202. Envelopes will be available at the service.

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



# Wright's 360° Movement Academy Announces May 31st Grand Opening



Wright's Gymnastics announced it is opening the doors to its new state-of-the-art facility in Grand Park, Wright's 360° Movement Academy, which will offer programming for children, including traditional gymnastics, ninja, dance and an academic preschool, Kids 360° Early Learning Academy.

Wright's 360° Movement Academy will host a Member + Media Open House on Thursday, June 9 at 4 p.m. in the new building. Wright's will welcome special guests to participate in the event. During the event, families are encouraged to visit, play and explore the new facility.

The 35,000 sq ft facility opens May 31st and hous-

es four separate businesses under the Wright's umbrella designed for toddlers to young adults, including Wright's Gymnastics and NinjaZone and their corresponding early childhood programs, Sweet Peas gymnastics and Lil' Ninjas. The expanded building provides space for two brand new programs that are unique to the Westfield location: Studio360° Dance and Kids 360° Early Learning Academy.

Kids 360° Early Learning Academy is a first-of-its-kind preschool for kids ages 3-5, offering an expansive learning environment designed to facilitate optimal learning. The progressive movement-based curriculum primes the brain for learning, improves sensory/motor integration, and helps kids build healthy life skills. 1,000 sq. ft. classrooms extend both outdoors and into the 35,000 sq. ft. indoor gym. Enrollment is now

open for Fall 2022.

Studio360° Dance is a unique dance program joining the Wright's brand at the new Westfield location. The program offers dance to kids of all ages in the styles of ballet, tap, jazz and hip-hop. Classes that blend dance and gymnastics movement are also offered to complement students who are training in any style.

"We are thrilled to welcome families inside the new facility," said Wright's Owner, Casey Wright. "We are excited to debut our new academic preschool and dance programs that will help even more kids grow their confidence and passion for movement."

Founded as Wright's American Gymnastics in 1975 by Bob and Dana Wright, Wright's was purchased by their daughter, Casey Wright in 2005 and now aims to arm kids with foundations of movement and coordination for life by providing

fundamental physical and mental development for the whole child. Wright's owns and operates six gymnastics gyms across Indiana, as well as developed the first ninja gymnastics program in the country in 2015, NinjaZone, which has grown to a globally-recognized company and has licensed more than 300 programs around the world.

Studio360° Dance and Kids 360° Early Learning Academy, new ventures for Wright's, will allow for expanded offerings to children of all ages, abilities and skill levels. Casey Wright has been named Small Business Person of the Year by the U.S. Small Business Administration, recognized by the Indianapolis Business Journal on its Forty Under 40 list, and has been featured in numerous publications and podcasts for her leadership in the industry. For more information, visit [WrightsGymnastics.com](http://WrightsGymnastics.com).

# Fishers Police Reminds Residents Adhere to City Golf Cart Ordinance

The Fishers Police Department would like to remind residents of the city's local ordinance concerning the use and operation of golf carts. Fishers' City Ordinance No. 090214D (codified at §94.02 of the Code of Ordinances) authorizes the use of golf carts on some neighborhood streets if the following conditions have been met:

1. Fishers has determined that golf carts may be safely operated on the streets within the specific neighborhood;

2. A threshold amount (75 percent or higher) of property owners in the neighborhood have voted in favor of allowing golf carts within the neighborhood and the results of the election have been certified; and

3. The proper signage in the designated locations has been placed.

Golf carts shall not be operated on the public streets of Fishers except in full compliance with the provisions of this section. Currently, Britton Falls, Thorpe Creek, Intracoastal at Geist and Graystone are the only neighborhoods, in Fishers, to be in full compliance with the provisions of this section.

**Operation Regulations:**

a) *Hours of Operation.* Golf Carts shall only be operated on designated streets from sunrise to sunset unless such golf

cart is equipped with headlights, taillights, brake lights, seatbelts, turn signals, and rearview mirror.

b) *Right-of-Way.* The operator of a golf cart shall yield the right-of-way to overtaking motor vehicles.

c) *Streets.* Golf carts may only be used on streets designated within the establish neighborhood or other Fishers' approved neighborhood areas. Nothing in this policy shall be construed to apply to or limit the use of golf carts on golf courses or private property.

d) *Fishers Property and Sidewalks.* Golf carts shall not be operated on any sidewalk, pedestrian walkway, multi-use path, or trail or any other non-designated public ways. The only exception to this use is of golf carts on Fishers' municipal property for official purposes.

e) *Golf Cart Capacity.* The seating capacity, normally no more than four (4) passengers, shall not be exceeded nor shall the operator or any passenger be permitted to stand while the golf cart is in operation.

f) *Parking.* Golf carts may only be parked in the same manner and at the same places designated for parking of motor vehicles. The stopping, standing, or parking of golf carts in areas where parking is not

allowed or in any place that impede the flow of traffic, pedestrian walkways, or a passageway is prohibited.

g) *Alcohol Use.* No person under the influence of an alcoholic beverage shall operate or be in control of any golf cart operated within the neighborhood. No golf cart shall have an open alcoholic beverage container aboard while in operation.

h) *Valid License Required.* Only persons possessing a valid driver's license issued by the State of Indiana, another state of the United States, or an international agency shall be permitted to operate a golf cart on Fishers streets.

**Disclaimer, Liability, and Insurance:**

a) *Disclaimer.* Golf carts are not designed for or manufactured to be used on public streets, and Fishers neither advocates nor endorses the golf cart as a safe means of travel on public streets. Fishers in no way shall be liable for accidents, injuries, or death involving the operation of a golf cart.

b) *Assumption of Risk.* Any person who owns, operates, or rides upon a golf cart on a public street within the designated use area does so at his/her own risk and peril and assumes all liability resulting from the operation of the golf cart.

c) *Proof of Financial*

*Responsibility*". Shall mean, pursuant to Ind. Code §9-25-2-3, proof of ability to respond in damages for liability that arises out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of a Golf Cart in the following amounts:

1) Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) because of bodily injury to or death of any one (1) person;

2) Subject to the limit in subdivision (1), fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) because of bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more persons in any one (1) accident; and

3) Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) because of injury to or destruction of property in any one (1) accident.

**Penalties**  
Fishers shall issue a uniform ordinance violation citation (as outlined in the golf cart ordinance) to any person violating a provision of this policy in the following amounts which shall be processed by and paid to Fishers' Ordinance Violation Bureau as follows:

a) *First Offense:* Fifty Dollars (\$50.00);

b) *Second Offense within one (1) year:* One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00); and

c) *Third offense and any additional offense within (1) year:* Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)

## Lawn Care App GreenPal to Expand to Noblesville



GreenPal, an app that connects homeowners with local, vetted lawn care professionals, is launching this week in Noblesville.

Nashville-based GreenPal allows homeowners to find local, pre-screened lawn professionals.

Homeowners can list their lawns with their service date and lawn care needs. Vetted lawn care pros can then bid on their properties based on the Google street and aerial images and any other lawn details the homeowner provides. Homeowners can then select who they want to work with based on the vendor's ratings, reviews, and price.

Once a vendor has

completed the service, the lawn care pro will send a time-stamped photo of the completed work. Homeowners can then pay via the app and set up more appointments.

"After successfully launching in 250 other markets, we are excited to help homeowners in Noblesville find reliable, safe, and local lawn care," said co-founder Gene Caballero.

Nashville-based GreenPal currently operates in Chicago, Atlanta, Houston, OKC, San Antonio, Los Angeles, San Antonio, Phoenix, San Jose, Fresno, New Orleans, Sacramento, Miami, Louisville, Cleveland, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Pittsburgh, Denver, Baltimore, Detroit, and St. Louis. To visit GreenPal, go to <https://www.yourgreenpal.com/local/lawn-care-noblesville-in>.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is given by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana, that they will receive bids to rent two enclosed buildings located at the Hamilton County 4-H Center at 2003 East Pleasant Street, Noblesville, Indiana, for storage of materials during the 2022-2023 winter season, beginning October 1, 2022 through May 1, 2023. The buildings are the swine barn which is 60' by 144' or 8,640 square feet; and the cattle barn which is 60' by 210', or 12,600 square feet. Said buildings will be rented in their present condition without any warranties, express or implied. Any questions concerning the renting of said building should be addressed to Lisa Hanni at the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service, (317) 776-0854.

Bidders shall submit sealed bids to the Office of the Hamilton County Auditor at 33 N. 9th Street, Suite L21, Noblesville, Indiana, in the basement of the Historic Courthouse on or before 11:30 a.m. on May 23, 2022. After 11:30 a.m. they can be delivered to the Commissioners Courtroom, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana until the time of the bid opening. Those bids shall contain the following:

a. A clear designation on the outside of the bid envelope of 4-H RENTAL Bids.

b. A Cashiers or Certified Check in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) payable to Hamilton County, Indiana.

c. The name, address, home, and business phone number of the bidder.

d. No bid under \$12,000 will be considered.

The bid shall be opened and read aloud during the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County on or after 1:00 p.m. on May 23, 2022.

The successful bidder shall be expected to tender to the County one-half of the bid amount on or before October 1, 2022, with the balance of the bid amount due and owing on December 1, 2022.

All unsuccessful bidders shall have their Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) deposit check returned. A successful bidder who fails to complete his rental agreement shall forfeit his Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). The Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) will be held as a damage deposit until the buildings are vacated at the end of the rental term.

Any persons desiring an opportunity to inspect the building(s) prior to submission of a bid and to review the proposed Rental Agreement may contact Ms. Lisa Hanni, Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service at (317) 776-0854.

s/s Robin M. Mills, Auditor  
Hamilton County, Indiana

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## Two Local Artists Among Participants in Creative Entrepreneur Training Program



Two local artists, Joanne Roeder and Cecily Terhune, both of Carmel, are among those announced by the Indiana Arts Commission today as creative entrepreneur participants in the annual On-Ramp Creative Entrepreneur Accelerator. On-Ramp is a national award-winning program designed to educate artists and creative professionals in ten key areas of entrepreneurship and finance and to provide ongoing mentorship and development of arts-based small businesses.

Over the course of three days, participants will follow a curriculum designed and led by Elaine Grogan Luttrull of Minerva Financial Arts. The programming will take place in Noblesville, Indiana, with Noblesville-based Nickel Plate Arts serving as cohost for On-Ramp. Nickel Plate Arts is also a Regional Arts Partner of the Indiana Arts Commission.

"We are excited to once again offer the

On-Ramp Creative Entrepreneur Accelerator in support of this critical economic sector," said Indiana Arts Commission Executive Director Miah Michaelson. "This year's participants are a testament to the rich creative economy of the Hoosier State, and we are proud to play a role in accelerating their careers here in Indiana."

A full list of participating creative entrepreneurs is below:

- Joanne Roeder (Carmel)
- Cecily Terhune (Carmel)
- Norah Amstutz (South Bend)
- Hilary Cannon Anderson (Bloomington)
- Lyndy Bazile (Fort Wayne)
- Margaret Beeler (Michigan City)
- Emily Bennett (Terre Haute)
- Christopher Box (Indianapolis)
- Tracy Burns (Connersville)
- Erica Coffing (Rochester)
- Marcie Couet (Franklin)
- Austin Day (Indianapolis)
- Aja Essex (Bloomington)
- Cynthia Frank (Anderson)
- Emily Franks (Indianapolis)
- Charles Gillespie (Bloomington)
- Lavinia Hale

- (Greencastle)
  - Tammeron Jonesfrancis (Muncie)
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  - Beatriz Vasquez (Indianapolis)
  - Kathaleen L Wessel (Anderson)
  - Tania Wineglass (Indianapolis)
- At the conclusion of the three-day training, the entrepreneurs will submit proposals for a \$2,000 fellowship to directly apply course lessons to their creative career and small business development. Proposals will be reviewed by a panel of mentor creative entrepreneurs who will provide feedback based upon their individual and collective expertise.

## Lt. Gov. Crouch, Indiana Family and Social Services Administration Accepting 2022 Golden Hoosier Award Nominations



Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, in collaboration with the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration's Division of Aging has announced nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 Golden Hoosier Award. This is the 15th year for the program.

"Our state is filled with



generous Hoosiers who are constantly giving back to their neighborhoods and communities," Crouch said. "I am excited to once again partner with FSSA and AARP Indiana to honor those who are going above and beyond to better their town and our state. The best thing about Indiana are her people, men and women who find ways to leave Indiana in a better place for their children and future generations."

Crouch said that the

award began in 2008 and annually honors older Hoosiers for their lifetime of service and commitment to their communities.

To be eligible for the Golden Hoosier Award, the nominee must currently be an Indiana resident, aged 65 or older and have been a volunteer in the community for the past three years.

The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, June 10, 2022. Nomination forms can be accessed electronically by clicking here. A ceremony honoring those selected will be held later this year at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center.

Since 2008, more than 200 Hoosiers have received the Golden Hoosier Award.

## Indiana Department of Revenue to Host In-Person and Virtual Annual Public Hearing



The Indiana Department of Revenue (DOR) will host this year's annual public hearing on May 26, 2022, at 10 a.m. The public hearing provides customers with a general overview of the agency's progress and provides a forum for the agency to hear directly from its customers and stakeholders.

"This hearing is a

chance for Hoosiers to share their valuable feedback, helping us embody our core value of continuous improvement and deliver best-in-class service," stated DOR Commissioner Bob Grennes. During the hearing, the Commissioner will be providing a brief update on major DOR initiatives.

Interested customers and stakeholders may attend the hearing in-person, or choose to attend online.

### To attend in-person:

The hearing will be held in Conference Room B in the Indiana Government Center South Building located at 302 W. Washington St.,

Indianapolis, IN 46204.

### To attend virtually:

To watch live online, visit [dor.in.gov/news-media-and-publications](http://dor.in.gov/news-media-and-publications) and select "Annual Public Hearings." Online viewers can log in to the meeting starting on May 26, which will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

### To provide comment:

Individuals wishing to attend in-person and speak during the hearing should email their request to [Bizoutreach@dor.IN.gov](mailto:Bizoutreach@dor.IN.gov) by May 23 to reserve a speaker slot. In addition, individuals attending in-person or watching online may submit comments to DOR prior to the meeting by emailing [Bizoutreach@dor.IN.gov](mailto:Bizoutreach@dor.IN.gov).

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# Safe Grilling Tips from the National Fire Protection Association

Often considered the unofficial kick-off to summer, Memorial Day weekend typically includes lots of celebrations and cookouts, often with grilling as a focal point. As the holiday, and summer months, grow closer, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reminds everyone of basic safety tips to grill and celebrate safely.

Fire departments responded to an average of 10,600 home fires annually involving grills, hibachis, or barbecues according to NFPA's research from 2014-2018. This includes 4,900 structure fires and 5,700 outside or unclassified fires. These fires resulted in an annual average of 10 civilian deaths, 160 civilian injuries, and \$149 million in direct property damage.

The peak months for grilling fires are July (18 percent), June (15 percent), May (13 percent),

and August (12 percent), though grill fires occur year-round. Leading causes of grill fires include failing to clean the grill, the heat source being located too close to combustible materials, leaving equipment unattended, and leaks or breaks in the grill or fuel source.

"As grilling season approaches, it is important to review basic safety tips especially if the grill hasn't been used over the winter," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA. "Establishing a firesafe location for using your grill is also crucial, to make sure it is a safe distance from your home and other items that can burn."

A yearly average of 19,700 patients per year went to emergency rooms because of injuries involving grills. Nearly half (9,500 or 48 percent) of the injuries were thermal burns, including both

burns from fire and from contact with hot objects; 5,200 thermal burns per year were caused by such contact or other non-fire events.

Children under five accounted for an average of 2,000, or 39 percent, of the contact-type burns per year. These burns typically occurred when someone, often a child, bumped into, touched, or fell on the grill, grill part, or hot coals.

NFPA offers these tips and recommendations for enjoying a fire-safe grilling season:

- For propane grills, check the gas tank for leaks before use in the months ahead.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Place the grill well away from the home, deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Always make sure

your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grilling area.
- If you use starter fluid when charcoal grilling, only use charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire. When you have or are finished grilling, let the coals cool completely before disposing in a metal container.
- Never leave your grill unattended when in use.

The National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) is a global self-funded nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property, and economic loss due to fire, electrical, and related hazards. The association began its work to solve the fire problem in a young, industrialized nation in 1896 and has since become a global force known for advancing safety worldwide. NFPA



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sion. NFPA will formally celebrate its 125th anniversary at its Conference & Expo in Boston on June 6 - 9, 2022. For more information or to view NFPA codes and standards for free, visit [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).

## Garage Sales - the Ultimate Spring-Cleaning Strategy



The clean-up and clear-out specialists at the residential-friendly dumpster company Bin There Dump That know that traditional spring-cleaning chores can result in piles of clothing, furniture, small appliances, books, toys, sports equipment, etc., that homeowners no longer need. "That's why late

spring is such a popular time for yard sales," says local entrepreneur James Spink, owner of Bin There Dump That of Indianapolis, Brownsburg. "Yard sales are a great way to put things you don't need any more back into circulation, not into landfills and not back in your garage or basement."

Bin There Dump That has developed a comprehensive Garage Sale Guide with tips and tricks to help Indianapolis area homeowners plan and execute a successful, enjoyable yard sale, but there are some basics that Spink says you need to keep in mind before you begin.

• Confirm that your community and/or neighborhood allow homeowners to hold a garage or yard sale. Then look into permit requirements and pick a day - Saturdays are best - when people are likely to come.

• Do your research if you are selling art, jewelry, fashion, books, or other items that could have substantial value. Then, focus on pricing things right, keeping in mind

that anything you sell your items for is a profit on items you didn't want or need anyway. (See the Pricing Guide section of our Garage Sale Guide.)

• Make plans to get the word out before the sale through social media and word-of-mouth. Place eye-catching, easy-to-read signs (with balloons on the day of the sale) at major intersections near your home and at the entrance to your neighborhood.

"Another great way to attract potential buyers to your sale is to make it a neighborhood event," says James Spink. "Your neighbors may even want to share the expense of a dumpster to dispose of the items that don't sell. Keep in mind that, when you select items for your garage

sale, you have already made the decision that you don't need them anymore. Stick to that decision and discard them rather than cart them back inside as clutter in your freshly cleaned home."

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labeled her as jack of all trades,” Beaver said during the annual NHS Alumni Banquet on April 30 in the NHS Cafeteria. The NHS Class of 1972 -- in addition to the classes of 1970 and 1971 -- were recognized during the Alumni Banquet.

Williams Pryor graduated in the NHS Class of 1974. She became a NHS Alumni Association board member in June 2015.

“When she started as our vice president, she actually had to step up into the president’s position, because at that time our president had stepped down for a few short months,” Beaver said.

Noblesville, she said, “I’ve lived in Noblesville my whole life.”

And school? “I just enjoyed school and friends ... I went to prom ... We just had fun. Shopping, learning how to drive and going to ball games.”

What’s kept her here in Noblesville all of these years? “Jobs and family.”

She retired from Fires-tone Industrial Products, where she worked for 37 years as an executive assistant.

She has two children, Susan (Micah) Beckwith, a former Miss Indiana and Miss America contestant, and Andy Seymour, both of Noblesville;

three stepchildren and 12 grandchildren, ages 17 to 1. She is married to Larry Pryor, a North Central High School graduate.

Since retirement, she now enjoys spending more time with her grandchildren.

Hobbies and interests? “Gardening, and I make potholders. I just make them for friends.” She and Larry are members of Harbour Shores Church in Cicero, where she’s involved with the church’s women’s ministry and choir. They’ve been members there for 12 years.

She also visits Life Church in Noblesville, where her son-in-law Micah Beckwith is a minister. “I like his church a lot.” He also ran for election to the U.S. House to represent Indiana’s 5th Congressional District but lost in the Republican Primary in 2020.

Williams Pryor, her-

self, is a State Convention Delegate for Noblesville Township District 1.

In less than two years, in 2024, Williams Pryor’s class of ‘74 will celebrate 50 years during the NHS Alumni Banquet.

She said, “I’m just very blessed to have so many family and friends who I get to see and enjoy.”

What makes her smile? “That my friends honored me with this award,” she said. “I was really surprised. I’ve enjoyed contributing but there are so many people who do so many things.”

Williams Pryor said, “I just figured out a way I can serve and be a part of the team.”

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### 🔍 OPEN HOUSE From Page A1

hope to children in our community and beyond helping future generations reach their full potential.”

Todd Clevenger, Cicero Kiwanis Club Membership Chair, agreed. “We want to share the many good things the Cicero Kiwanis Club is doing for our community, he added. “We want more people to be aware of our club, our impact and ideally, bring on a few new members. Our work matters and makes an impactful difference.”

“Many of our members joined and got involved because the club does a lot of good for the schools, local community, greater northern Hamilton County, and Riley Hospital,” added Dr. Arrowood.

Each year, the Cicero Kiwanis Club provides scholarships to graduating seniors from Hamilton Heights. In addition, it supports school clubs, the Educational Foundation, and programs like the

Angel Tree. Recently, the Cicero Kiwanis has lent its support to the Arcadia Splash Pad project, Fire Department, Prevail, Cicero Parks, and Angel’s attic to name a few.

The group also helps coordinate and sponsor the annual Veterans Day breakfast, partnered with Cicero Main Street for the street festival and annual Christmas Parade and Remnant for the Kings Treasure program to help make Christmas a little brighter for those who may not otherwise have one.

Any questions regarding the open house event on Saturday and/or to RSVP, contact [cicerokiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:cicerokiwanis@gmail.com). Anyone who wants to learn more about the Cicero Kiwanis Club, but are unable to attend this event are encouraged to visit the group’s Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/CiceroKiwanis>

### 🔍 TIMMONS From Page A1

the nastiest and most expensive senate primary of all time, and that’s saying something. Some of Braun’s ads weren’t as clean and professional as I’d like. But hey, his campaign didn’t ask me, so what do I know? What I do like about Braun is he’s a business guy. He understands bottom lines and the fact that businesses should bring in more money than they spend (what a novel concept MoCo politicians!). He seems to be applying sound economic principles and even sounder common sense to government.

I like that a lot. But when it comes to this topic, I simply could not agree with Braun more.

According to a document\* entitled “Gender-Affirming Care and Young People” put out by the Office of Population Affairs, a part of the

Department of Health and Human Services, “for transgender and nonbinary children and adolescents, early gender-affirming care is crucial to overall health and well-being as it allows the child or adolescent to focus on social transitions and can increase their confidence while navigating the healthcare systems.”

I wish I was making this up.

Our federal government is actually talking about children – typically defined as little folks who haven’t reached the age of puberty yet – and care that can involve drugs to help block puberty, hormone therapy and even gender-affirming surgeries. Oh, this can include adolescents, too.

Those little bigger folks who have gone through puberty but haven’t reached adulthood yet.

You know, the same young people our govern-

ment deems too young to vote, smoke or drink.

Yet that same government thinks they have the maturity to make momentous decisions on what sex they are or are not.

How is this not criminal?

Look, we as a society can agree to disagree on sexual mores, stances and tendencies. I have my beliefs, you have yours. That’s what a free society is all about. Braun says the HHS folks are out of sync with most of America. I agree with that, but others don’t. Fine. I hope we haven’t completely lost the ability to disagree and still respect each other.

But when it comes to kids, especially the really young ones, can’t we all agree that there are limits? Can’t we all agree that there are boundary lines? Can’t we leave them out of the argument and protect them from all this until

they really are old enough to make their own decisions wisely and maturely?

Our government, the same one that came up with this vile and obscene stance, says we absolutely can when it comes to the aforementioned topics like drinking, smoking, gambling and serving in the military. The Health and Human Services director apparently thinks different.

I pray we all prove him wrong.

\*Want to see the document for yourself. Go to <https://opa.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/2022-03/gender-affirming-care-young-people-march-2022.pdf>

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- 1. How long ago was the first successful "horseless carriage" trial run?
2. How old is Howard County?
3. How many people in the county do not live in Kokomo?
4. What is the population density of the county?

Answers: 1. 125 Years 2. 175 Years 3. Around 37,284 People / sq. mi. %

Did You Know?

- Howard County was founded in 1844 and named for Tilghman Howard.
Kokomo, the county seat, has a total population of 45,468 residents.
The county is home to 14 different educational institutes ranging from private to public schools and universities.
In 1894 Elwood Haynes of Kokomo made the first successful trial run of his "horseless carriage."
Howard county is 293.92 square miles and has a population of 82,752 residents.

Got Words?

Kokomo is coined the "City of Firsts." The city is associated with discovering products, such as the mechanical corn picker, canned tomato juice and push-button car radio. How do you think these inventions have impacted Kokomo and the rest of the world?

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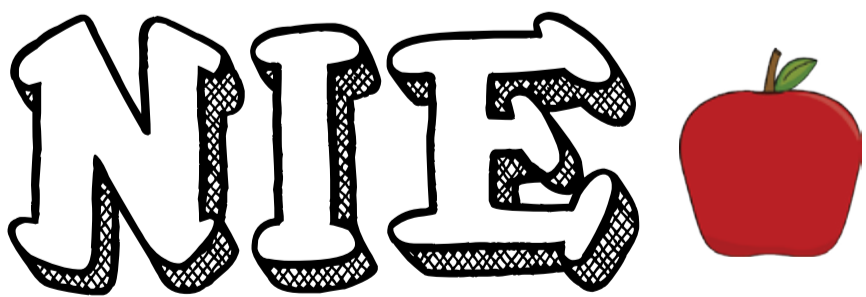
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## Planting Season Is Here; Remain Alert To Large Farm Equipment On Indiana Roads

Planting season is quickly approaching for Indiana's 94,000 farmers. With the warm weather and sunshine, Hoosier motorists will also see more large slow-moving farm equipment traveling Indiana's rural roads and highways. The Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Indiana Department of Transportation, Indiana State Police and Hoosier Ag Today want to encourage motorists to slow down, be alert and be patient on rural roadways this spring.

"Our farmers have an enormous job to do, feeding us and the rest of the world," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture. "And with that job comes a tremendous responsibility; let's help our farmers out where we can. When you see large farm equipment traveling our Hoosier roadways slow down and give them space so everyone can get where they are going safely."

In Indiana, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2020 three vehicles were involved in

crashes with farm equipment, which resulted in two deaths.

"During the spring and fall seasons Indiana sees a drastic increase of large farm equipment on our rural roads and highways," said Doug Carter, Indiana State Police Superintendent. "In our strong agricultural state, it is critical that Hoosier motorists know the steps to take when approaching farm equipment on the roadways to ensure we all make it home safely to our families."

While the term "farm equipment" encompasses a wide range of vehicles, the most common types motorists will encounter during planting season include sprayers, tractors pulling planters or tillage equipment, and large trucks hauling agricultural products. These vehicles are wide, sometimes taking up most of the road, and often travel at speeds no greater than 25 mph.

The following list includes several safety tips for motorists approaching large farm equipment:

Farmers will pull over when they are able to let motorists pass, but it may take time for them to get

to a safe place to do so.

Be patient. Farm equipment is wide, sometimes taking up most of the road.

Be careful when passing. Do not pass in a designated "No Passing Zone" or within 100 feet of any intersection, railroad grade crossing, bridge, elevation structure or tunnel.

Do not try to pass slow-moving farm equipment on the left without ensuring that the farmer driving is not planning a left turn. It may appear that the driver is pulling over to allow a pass when the farmer is actually preparing to turn. You will drive right into its path, endangering yourself and the farmer.

Avoid tailgating, as some farm equipment might have to make sudden stops along the road.

Allow plenty of time to get to a destination, be aware of alternate routes and avoid distractions.

"Moving farm equipment on the roadways is one of the most dangerous parts of my job. It takes time to find a safe space for me to pull over and allow other motorists to pass safely. Please be consider-

ate when you drive behind farm equipment, drivers and I have the same goal in mind each time we take a trip on Hoosier roads- to get our work done and make it home safely to our loved ones," said Brent Bible, Tippecanoe Co. farmer.

Indiana State Department of Agriculture Director Bruce Kettler wants to remind motorists farmers work hard to ensure they are being as safe as possible.

"Hoosier farmers are trying to get to their fields safely and quickly, just like our Hoosier motorists are trying to get to work safely and quickly," said Kettler. "I want to encourage motorists to be aware during this spring season and know that encountering farm equipment is likely and to slow down when approaching."

For a list of safety tips, visit [isda.in.gov](http://isda.in.gov). The following organizations will be working together to share this important safety message during planting season: Hoosier Ag Today, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Indiana Department of Transportation and Indiana State Police.

## The Month Of May Is The Month Of Ministry

The calendar has flipped to the Month of May, and you can feel the excitement building in Indy. With the Indianapolis 500 Presented by Gainbridge less than one month away and the GMR Grand Prix of Indianapolis next week, the Month of May is buzzing for the INDYCAR community. Behind the scenes, IndyCar Ministry continues to serve those within the IndyCar community through prayer, counseling, encouragement and much more during this special time. This May, they've created a new initiative dubbed the 'Month of Ministry' which will be alive and present.

"We are obviously really excited about the Month of May in Indy but also for the Month of Ministry," explained Chaplain Jason Holt. "Beginning Sunday, May 8, we will be doing a prayer initiative focused on the various members, departments, and positions within the IndyCar community. Not only will this raise awareness of who they serve but this also invite others to be a part of making an impact within the community."

"We have a big month of racing ahead of us, and a big month for the IndyCar Ministry," added Chaplain Chuck Lessick. "We are working hard to bring you some videos and content from behind the scenes. Talk to drivers and crew and get their take on IndyCar, their faith, their families and what they do inside the sport. It is going to be a great month."

As part of the "Month of Ministry," ICM is working towards engaging people through their giving. The Ministry is solely

funded through donations from those within the motorsports community and is a 501(c)3 accredited organization. By inviting people to join in through financial partnership will enable IndyCar Ministry to be at every event and continue to serve those in our racing community, in spite of the increased travel costs they are facing.

During the AMR Grand Prix, IndyCar Ministry will have a major presence in the Road to Indy program as well as their normal initiatives. As a naming partner in the Indy Pro 2000 Presented by Cooper Tires rounds five, six and seven, IndyCar Ministry logos will be present on all competitors' cars throughout the event weekend.

Lessick continued, "By partnering with Andersen Promotions and the Road to Indy, we receive pace car rides, gentleman start your engines and the opportunity to wave the green flag for the weekend's festivities. We will be putting those items up in an online auction with all proceeds going directly to the expenses of IndyCar Ministry."

IndyCar Ministry would also like you to visit Garage #19 throughout the Indianapolis 500 festivities. With a show car on display as well as services being offered throughout the month, Garage #19 will be the place to be for IndyCar Ministry.

Stay tuned to our social media channels for more on the 'Month of Ministry', how to get involved and how to donate.

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## Wabash College Professor McCrary Has Been Awarded Prestigious NEH Grant

Lorraine Krall McCrary, assistant professor of political science, has received a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant to fund preliminary research for a new book project.

McCrary will spend two months this summer conducting research on inclusion of people with disabilities within communities and the notion of a just society for her project titled, "Disability, Community, and Care," thanks to a Summer Stipend grant from the NEH.

"When I got the call that I had been awarded the grant, I was just so thrilled," McCrary said. "Wabash has been really supportive of this project, and I'm grateful that support of my research will continue to inform my teaching in courses like, 'Disability and Politics.'"

The NEH's Summer Stipend program aims to stimulate new research in the humanities and its publication by providing small awards to individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars and general audiences. The program funds projects that are at any stage of development, but especially early-stage research and late-stage writing in which small awards are most effective.

"Particularly given

the highly competitive nature of this program, the awarding of an NEH Summer Stipend is a testament to the excellent work being produced by Professor McCrary and her insightful use of political theory in the analysis of questions of disability and agency," said Dean of the College Todd McDorman. "I'm thrilled for her, and with this being the second consecutive year a Wabash faculty member has been recognized by the NEH, I see the award as another symbol of the strength of the Wabash faculty."

"This opportunity will help further propel Professor McCrary's research program forward and her fieldwork in Belgium will undoubtedly produce both rich scholarship and allow her to bring valuable classroom insights to Wabash students."

McCrary, who joined Wabash faculty in 2016, is a political theorist whose research brings together disability studies and the feminist ethic of care. She also writes about Arendt's natality, as well as the relationship between the family and politics.

The NEH grant will help McCrary expand on research she has already started for her book project, which examines the contributions of associations by and for people

with disabilities to an inclusive, just, and stable society.

In 2018, McCrary traveled to France and interviewed people who are part of L'Arche, a community where people with and without intellectual disabilities live together in an intentional community. There, she conducted interviews that focused on how a community of care may cultivate agency in people with disabilities.

This summer while in Belgium, McCrary will focus on the role of multiple associations in cultivating agency. She will spend 11 days in Geel, meeting with and interviewing adult boarders with mental illnesses or intellectual disabilities together with the foster families with whom they live, as well as members of other associations through which boarders participate in town life, ranging from athletic associations, to those that are religious, social, and political.

"As political scientists, we often look at national politics, and I'm interested in where else politics happens," she said. "I want to learn more about these really small communities where people are making decisions about their shared lives together."

McCrary's project is one of 245 humanities

projects across the country to receive NEH funding this year. In the last five years, the program received an average of 812 applications and made an average of 90 awards annually.

McCrary said she hopes her research on intellectual disability and mental illness will, in part, encourage political theorists to encounter the experiences of those who appear to possess less of the reason, autonomy, and independence that political theory so routinely assumes. She hopes it will also contribute to the intersection of political theory and the ethic of care and extends theories of community and association.

"I want to shift our attention from centralized processes of care all the time to decentralized care, and show that they don't all have to be universalized," McCrary said. "Good care can happen in different communities and in different ways."

Sabrina Thomas, associate professor and David A. Moore Chair in American History, was awarded NEH's Summer Stipend grant last year. Funding supported her project, "The Soul of Blood and Borders," a book on African American responses to biracial children born in the wake of World War II and the Vietnam War.

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## Consumer Alert: List Of Products Recalled In April

Attorney General Todd Rokita is alerting Hoosiers of important consumer protection concerns for products recalled in April. Consumers are encouraged to take advantage of opportunities available for those who purchased the recalled items.

"Whether it's a pressure washer, pajamas, or pain relief products, Hoosier consumers need to know if the products they purchased are flawed," Attorney General Rokita said. "Protecting consumers is a priority of my office. If you have difficulty finding a solution for your recalled product, call my office."

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the following consumer products were recalled in April:

- Klick High Chairs from Stokke
- Wall Beds from Bestar
- Sodium Hydroxide from biOrigins
- Hot Glue Guns from Dollar Tree
- Prenatal and Immunity

Dietary Supplements from Rae Wellness

- Hempvana Pain Relief Products from Telebrands
- Bottom Freezer, French Door Refrigerators from GE Appliances
- Craftsman and Troy-Bilt Riding Lawn Mowers from MTD

• Toy Wood Play Smart Robot Buddy(s) and Wood Sensory Boards from MerchSource

- Diving Inflation Valves from SI TECH
- Ceramic Knives from Norwex

• LUXE+WILLOW Heated Blankets from MWA

- Children's Pajamas from The Red League
- Air Fryers and Air Fryer Ovens from Best Buy

• Nectar Premier Mattresses from Elite Comfort Solutions

- Wooden Push Toys from Monti Kids
- Overhead Garage Storage Racks from Eagle Industrial Group
- Woven Bunny Baskets

from Bed Bath & Beyond

- Organic Wintergreen Essential Oil from Best Nutritionals
- Competition Off-Road Motorcycles from Yamaha
- Electric Start Pressure Washers from Generac Power Systems
- School Classroom Stack Chairs from Amazon

• RZR Recreational Off-Road Vehicles from Polaris

If you believe you purchased a recalled product, stop using it and check its recall notice (linked above for all products). Follow the notice's instructions, including where to return the product, how to get the product fixed, how to dispose of the product, how to receive a refund for the product, or what steps must be taken to receive a replacement product.

To view recalls issued prior to April, visit the Consumer Protection Safety Commission website at <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls>.

## Annual Franciscan Health Race For Kids To Be Held June 4th

Franciscan Health Lafayette East is hosting its annual 5K run/walk\*, Race for Kids, on Saturday, June 4, 2022. A virtual\*\* race option will also be available Saturday, June 4, through Sunday, June 5.

The Race for Kids itinerary will include the following:

8 a.m. - Registration Opens

8 - 11 a.m. - Safe Kids Greater Lafayette Activity Station; Fire Truck Tours; Canvas Art Pictures

Franciscan Physician Network Pediatrics West Lafayette and Franciscan Physician Network Family Medicine West Lafayette will be in attendance

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. - Meet and Greet with Purdue Pete!

8:45 a.m. - NICU Reunion, a reunion of patients, families and caregivers of the NICU

9 a.m. - Butterfly Release, a time for families to honor and remember a lost baby or child

9:15 a.m. - Kid's Dash, a non-competitive 50-yard dash. Free to children of all ages and abilities

9:30 a.m. - 5K Run/Walk starts - \$30 (kids under 10 are free)

Those who would like to participate are asked to

register online by Tuesday, May 31, by visiting [RaceForKids5K.itsyourrace.com](http://RaceForKids5K.itsyourrace.com). The in-person event will take place at the end of St. Francis Way by the 3920 office building at Franciscan Health Lafayette East - 1701 S. Creasy Lane, Lafayette, IN.

The race is aimed at raising awareness and funds for the Franciscan Health Lafayette East Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and their Pediatric Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy departments.

All proceeds will help purchase equipment and supplies needed to provide a continuum of care for not only the tiny babies in their NICU, but also the children with developmental delays who work hard each week in their therapy appointments. Franciscan Health's goal is to enhance a child's ability to learn, improve their physical function and support their need for independence.

"We're excited to offer this annual race along with family friendly activities to the Greater Lafayette community," said Jen Eberly, director of development at Franciscan Health Foundation Western Indiana. "The event has become a tradition for

NICU families and helps raise funds which allows us to continue to give babies and children the best possible care at our facilities."

Register today by visiting [RaceForKids5k.itsyourrace.com](http://RaceForKids5k.itsyourrace.com).

For more information about the event, please call (765) 423-6810.

\*All registration types include a race t-shirt and one butterfly for release. Virtual participants can also have a butterfly released in honor of a loved one.

\*\*Franciscan has and will continue to carefully monitor all developments surrounding the pandemic. Their first priority is your health and the wellbeing of our communities. Therefore, they will be implementing safety procedures to ensure everyone's wellbeing. They will continue to follow CDC and local guidelines. However, if their local environment is not conducive for an in-person event in June, then all activities will move to the virtual platform, and all registered in-person participants will be transferred to the virtual option (no refunds will be offered since this is a fundraiser).

## Celebrate Visit Indiana Week With The Indiana State Nature And Culinary Trails Passports

Visit Indiana Week is May 1-7, in conjunction with National Travel & Tourism Week. This week aims to educate the public about the importance and impact of travel and tourism. The Office of Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch, the Indiana Destination Development Corporation (IDDC), Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Indiana Foodways Alliance (IFA) are inviting people to explore the state.

"Over 25,000 people have signed up for the passports," Lt. Gov. Crouch said. "DNR is offering free gate admission to all DNR properties on Sunday, May 1. It's also a free fishing day without

a permit."

All week during Visit Indiana Week, visitors will be eligible for prizes when they check in using the Indiana State Nature Passport. At the end of the week, one person will win the grand prize, a 2022 State Parks Pass, a \$50 gift card for camping and a subscription to Outdoor Indiana magazine. Visitors who donate to the DNR Foundation throughout the month will also earn a free check-in.

Indiana is home to incredible frozen treats, from monster sundaes to an array of bountiful flavors. And throughout the month of May, anyone who checks in via the I Scream for Ice Cream Trail™ is eligible to win a

gift card from one of the trail stops courtesy of Indiana Foodways Alliance.

"From farms that produce unique flavors and local businesses specializing in ice cream, hundreds of flavors are waiting to be sampled," said Elaine Bedel, IDDC's Secretary and CEO.

For more information on the Indiana Culinary Trails Passport or Indiana State Nature Passport, go to [VisitIndiana.com/Explore](http://VisitIndiana.com/Explore) or scan the QR code. To follow Visit Indiana on social media: Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

\*The passport does not replace the entrance fee for a state property.

\*\*All prizes are available while supplies last.

## Grants Available For Recycling Markets, Manufacturing Capacity And Job Creation

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) today announced the availability of grant funding for recycling projects from the Recycling Market Development Program. Eligible candidates may seek a grant ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000. Proposals are accepted now through June 15, 2022.

Public and private businesses, local government, solid waste management districts, and nonprofit organizations located and doing business in Indiana are eligible to submit proposals for funding. Proposals must show a need, an increase in recyclable material collection or consumption, a reduction in municipal solid waste shipped for final disposal,

or improved partnerships with communities, including economic impacts and increased public awareness of recycling opportunities through tangible outreach and education efforts.

Projects should demonstrate sustainability and an understanding of the changing economy for recyclers and look at where monies can be used most effectively to increase statewide recycling.

Final funding determinations will be made this fall. To apply, visit [idem.IN.gov/recycle/2358.htm](http://idem.IN.gov/recycle/2358.htm). For additional information, please contact 800-988-7901 or [RMDP-Grants@idem.IN.gov](mailto:RMDP-Grants@idem.IN.gov).

The Recycling Market Development Program operates under the Recycling

Market Development Board as established by IC 4-23-5.5. The grant money for the program comes from the Recycling Promotion and Assistance Fund, an account generated by a per-ton fee on solid waste disposed at Indiana landfills. The fund supports source reduction, reuse, recycling and composting to prevent solid waste from permanent disposal.

IDEM ([idem.IN.gov](http://idem.IN.gov)) implements federal and state regulations regarding the environment. Through compliance assistance, incentive programs and educational outreach, the agency encourages and aids businesses and citizens in protecting Hoosiers and our environment.

## WHIN Receives \$400,000 Gift From West Central Region Of IU Health To Improve Rural Broadband Access

The Wabash Heartland Innovation Network (WHIN) has received \$400,000 from the West Central Region of Indiana University Health toward WHIN's future. The gift recognizes WHIN's leadership role in accelerating broadband access in its ten-county region.

"WHIN deeply appreciates IU Health's support," says WHIN CEO Johnny Park. "Our unique role in helping make innovative wireless broadband technology and network design available to underserved rural communities quickly, while our counties continue to work toward more fiber deployment, will help IU Health serve its patients better now."

WHIN recently announced a pilot project in Warren County to demonstrate the performance of next-generation wireless technology in difficult terrain. WHIN plans similar projects in each county in the region to show how advanced technology can fill gaps quickly and affordably. Residents and businesses will benefit as WHIN makes its technology available to service providers to include in their offerings to customers.

According to Greg Jarman, Vice President for Broadband Relationships at WHIN, the deployments represent a significant advancement in the services networks can provide.

"The advanced technology WHIN is deploying has next-generation capacity to meet needs like eLearning and telehealth that go beyond high-speed internet," says Jarman. "It can eventually allow users to connect directly with private networks at school corporations, in health care systems, and in other sensitive applications."

"The COVID-19 pandemic increased the urgency of what was already a recognized need for more and better telehealth services in our region," according to Art Vasquez, president of the West Central Region of IU Health, which includes facilities in Lafayette, Frankfort and Monticello. "Over the past two years, the number of IU Health patients utilizing telehealth services has increased by 6,704% throughout the state of Indiana."

For WHIN and IU Health, the future of healthcare is more than good networks. It includes

smart devices that can help physicians diagnose and treat patients at home.

"WHIN's overarching goal is to make our region a center for the Internet of Things economy," says Park. "We look forward to working with IU Health to explore how IoT-enabled telehealth can deliver cost-effective and high-quality care to people wherever they are."

Shannon Oates, MD, FACE, specializes in endocrinology and metabolism for IU Health Arnett. She also oversees IU Health Arnett's Hospital at Home program.

"Advancing technology has the potential to keep more patients out of the hospital and even out of doctors' offices," says Oates. "But it is very important that everyone has access to those services. WHIN is helping our region break down those barriers."

WHIN is an innovative nonprofit organization devoted to making the 10-county Wabash Heartland region of north-central Indiana the global epicenter of digital agriculture and next-generation manufacturing empowered by smart IoT technology.

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