

TODAY'S VERSE

Matthew 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.



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What makes Greg Conner smile? "My kids and a packed Forest Park Aquatic Center on a hot sunny summer day," said the 39-year-old Noblesville resident, who was found at the Aquatic Center readying for the 91st summer season at the Noblesville pool. Conner is president of the board of directors for Friends of Central Pool, a nonprofit that operates the pool and consists of dedicated volunteers like Conner. He was born and raised in Noblesville and graduated in 2001 from Noblesville High School and in 2005 from Purdue University. He was a competitive swimmer in high school. He met his wife, Lisa, at Purdue, where she attended on a swimming scholarship. At Purdue, he was involved in student government, wrote sports for the Purdue Exponent and was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. He and Lisa have four kids, Blake, 13; Bryce, 10; Drew, 9; and Nora, 4. "Our family loves outdoor activities, especially golf and swimming. He said, "Growing up in Noblesville, my summers were spent at the Forest Park Aquatic Center, training and competing as a member of the Noblesville Swim Club. Our community is incredibly fortunate to have such an amazing amenity. Honestly, there are only a handful of outdoor facilities of its caliber in the United States." Growing up, he was lifeguard, head guard, assistant manager and director of operations at the Noblesville pool and is also on the Noblesville Adult Swim Team Inc. He is vice president of corporate development and marketing for Carmel-based Bastian Solutions (a part of Toyota Industries Co.), where he started as a project engineer after college, was in outside sales and part of the management team and later invited to be an owner of the company. Forest Park Aquatic Center, celebrating its 91st year, opens for the summer pool season on Saturday. Hours are noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday and noon to 7 p.m. Monday, Memorial Day, and again the following weekend, June 4 and 5. Starting June 6, weekday hours will also be noon to 7 p.m. Admission is \$6, with memberships and donor-level memberships available. The Aquatic Center, this season for the first time, will offer free sunblock daily just as soon as the shipment of the sunblock arrives. To read more about this season's new amenities, read the Betsy Reason column in the May 25 edition of The Times. "There are not many communities like ours that can say they have had a public pool since 1931." Also, to support the pool, save the date, Sept. 17, for this year's Noblesville Brewfest.

And Another Thing...

Indiana Builders Association President Paul Schwinghammer responded to an April decrease in permit numbers for single-family housing, saying, "A downward trend in permits in April was expected as mortgage rate increases, inflationary pressures on goods and services, and supply chain disruptions continue to impact the housing industry. Challenges will persist overall for the housing industry across the country in the coming months, but Indiana is well-situated to weather the storm as companies continue to look to Indiana to locate and/or expand their operations."

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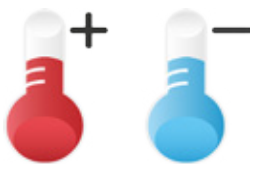
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The Daily Almanac



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High/Low Temperatures
High: 68 °F
Low: 58 °F



Today is...

- National Road Trip Day
- Nothing to Fear Day
- Cellophane Tape Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1851 The world's first chess tournament is held in London
- 1937 The Golden Gate Bridge is opened
- 2006 A massive earthquake devastates parts of Java, Indonesia



Births On This Day

- 1907 Rachel Carson American biologist, author
- 1923 Henry Kissinger German/American politician, 56th United States Secretary of State, Nobel Prize laureate

Deaths On This Day

- 1564 John Calvin French theologian, pastor
- 1964 Jawaharlal Nehru Indian politician, 1st Prime Minister of India

Duke Energy to Host Information Sessions for New Local Projects

By Joe LaRue
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Duke Energy will host four virtual information sessions and one in-person information session. These sessions will provide Westfield and Noblesville residents the opportunity to learn about two new transmission lines and one new substation Duke is building at the intersection of Westfield Road/Indiana 32 East and Moomtown Road/North Gray Road in Hamilton County.

The virtual information sessions are spread across two days, June 7 and June 9, and each day will have two sessions. The meetings on June 7 are at 6 p.m. for the transmission line heading south from the new

substation and 7:15 p.m. for the transmission line heading north from the substation. The meetings on June 9 are also at 6 p.m. for the southern line and 7:15 p.m. for the northern line.

Those interested in attending any of the virtual sessions can pre-register online at <https://www.duke-energy.com/our-company/about-us/electric-transmission-projects/noblesville>.

The in-person meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, June 21 from 6 – 8 p.m. at Grand Park Sports Campus.

Pre-registration is not required for the in-person meeting.

The projects are aimed at helping to improve reliability, reduce outages, strengthen the power grid against severe weather and prepare the Duke Energy system to better serve growing parts of Hamilton County.

According to the latest U.S. Census, Hamilton County is the fastest-growing county in the state. This rapid growth is expected to continue and is demanding more of Duke Energy's local electric transmission system.

The backbone of this area's electric system is a 230-kilovolt (kV) line that runs north

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Live Music, Movies, Market and More



BETSY REASON
The Times Editor

From Midtown in Carmel to Downtown Noblesville, we offer our Times readers 25 things to do this weekend and beyond:

1. Join the Midtown Anniversary Celebration from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Midtown Plaza in Carmel, with live entertainment, face painters, balloon artists, strolling magician, prize giveaways and more.
2. Enjoy live music with Jeff Day at 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. today at Spencer Farm Winery in Noblesville.
3. Enjoy live music with Don Clarkson 7 to 10 p.m. today and Celtic Rain at 7 p.m. Saturday at Primeval Brewing in downtown Noblesville.
4. Hear The Auburns at 8 p.m. today at Barley Island Brewing Co. in Noblesville.
5. Join Dude! at 8 p.m. today at Wolfie's Waterfront Grill in Noblesville.
6. Westfield continues its Movies in the Plaza series at dusk tonight, featuring "Inside Out" on the Great Lawn at Grand Junction Plaza, with more movies every fourth Friday through October. June 20: PAW Patrol the Movie.
7. Noblesville Farmers Market is open for the season 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at Federal Hill Commons in downtown Noblesville. Parking is offered at the nearby Mexican restaurant that was torn down, at BlueSky Commerce, both just west of the park, and at the park's Green Room parking lot, which will be restricted to vendor spaces and handicapped parking only during the weekly market.

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5th Annual Impact Awards Celebrates Students' Success

The Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Program celebrated the success of 12 amazing students at its 5th annual Impact Awards Dinner at Beck's Hybrids in Atlanta, Indiana on Tuesday. The event drew in students, their families, Hamilton Heights School Corporation personnel, and local dignitaries from the greater Hamilton County area and beyond for this special celebration of accomplishment.

The program recognizes one student per grade (grades K – 12) who successfully maneuvered through a challenge in their life. Students can be nominated by a teacher, guidance counselor, administrator, or any staff member that feels a student is deserving of the award.

"This evening is truly all about the students and their success," agreed Mary Ann Haymaker, Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Early Intervention Advocate, who spearheads the

event. "It's about celebrating the hard work, resilience, and effort demonstrated by these students to rise above a difficult issue that may otherwise have negatively impacted their life."

The 2022 Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance IMPACT Award recipients include:

- **Kindergarten:** Elam Brock presented by Erin Spaulding
- **1st Grade:** Leilah Killmon presented by Amy Alt, Denise Funston, and Elizabeth Douglas
- **2nd Grade:** Noah Miller presented by Denise Funston, Chelsea Kleyle
- **3rd Grade:** Mason Roehrich presented by Marianne Collar
- **4th Grade:** Jackson Getchell presented by Denise Funston and Michelle Day
- **5th Grade:** Maggie Engle presented by Heather Greider
- **6th Grade:** Kyrsten Harber presented by AJ Robinson

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OBITUARIES

Jerry Gardner

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **LINDA WESTBROOK** for subscribing!

HONEST HOOSIER

It's Carb Day! This is great!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Start exercising regularly early in life, continue, and reduce your risk of getting a middle aged spare tire. 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.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"Impossible is just an opinion."

- Paulo Coelho

TODAY'S JOKE

The new tailor was asked how he liked his job. He said, sew-sew.

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INCREASING CLOUDS, RAIN	DRY, BRITISH ISLANDS	INCREASING CLOUDS, WIND	SUNNY AND PLEASANT	BREVEY AND WARM	HAZY, HOT, & HUMID	HAZY, HOT, & HUMID



➔ OBITUARIES

Jerry Gardner

October 6, 1940 - May 24, 2022

Jerry Gardner, 81, of Westfield, passed away on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at Riverview Health in Noblesville.

He was born on October 6, 1940 to George and Lelia (Essex) Gardner in Lebanon, Indiana.

Mr. Gardner proudly served in the United States Marines. He graduated from Westfield High School in 1958, and was very involved with FFA in his younger years. He was a member of Venture Christian Church and attended Community Bible Fellowship. Mr. Gardner worked for Western Electric as a pipe fitter and also spent time farming. He enjoyed being outside, taking care of his property, and going to coffee with his friends. He loved attending and supporting his grandchildren at their sporting events.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Patricia Gardner; two daughters Wendy (Mark) Pickett and Kerri (Steve) Brown; son Gary (Gretchen) Gardner; seven grandchildren, Whitney (Ryan) Robinette, Ian Pickett, Madison Pickett, Ashley (Andrew) Wozniowski, Kelsey Brown, Lindsey Brown and Evan (Maxie) Gardner; sister Becky Mikesell; two great-grandchildren Jackson Wozniowski and Valerie Gardner; three step-grandchildren Rudi Willock, Abi Willock and Macey Davis; and step-great-grandchild Blake Thompson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers; two sisters; and great-grandchild Emma Wozniowski.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville. A graveside service is scheduled to be held at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at Eagle Creek Cemetery, 15812 Little Eagle Creek Avenue in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675, <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org>, or Ronald McDonald House of Indiana, 435 Limestone Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202, www.rmhc.in.org

Online condolences may be made at www.randallrob-erts.com.

Memorial Day Closures Around Hamilton County

With Memorial Day approaching, The Times has compiled a summary of office and school closures around the county.

Hamilton County government offices, including the Judicial Center in downtown Noblesville, as well as many of the extension offices around the county. The Sheriff's office will remain available to respond to emergencies. For questions about any closure exemptions, call the office in question directly. Contact information is available on the county website at <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/847/Visit-Us>.

The City of Noblesville offices will be closed on Memorial Day, as well as Fishers City Hall, Westfield City Hall, Carmel City Hall and Sheridan Town Hall. City emer-

gency services, including Police, Fire and EMT, will still be available.

All Post Offices around the county will also be closed on Memorial Day.

Noblesville Schools, Hamilton Southeastern Schools, Sheridan Community Schools, Guerin Catholic High School and University High School will all be closed for Memorial Day. Hamilton Heights, Carmel Clay Schools and Westfield Washington Schools will all finish classes prior to Memorial Day.

All Hamilton County Library locations, including both East branches and both North Branches, along with Carmel Clay Public Library, will be closed for Memorial Day.

All Hamilton County BMV locations will also be closed on Memorial Day.

The Waterpark to Open Memorial Day Weekend



The Waterpark in Carmel, located at 1195 Central Park Dr. W, Carmel, IN 46032, will open on Saturday, May 28 at 11 a.m. Splash into summer with fun for all ages and abilities on the FlowRider®, AquaClimb®, kiddie pool, lazy river, and adventure slides.

The Waterpark will open daily from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. from May 28 to August 7. Guests may purchase day passes in person at The Waterpark. Day passes are \$15 for adults (ages 16-64) and \$12 for youth and seniors (ages 3-15; ages 65+). Season passes are available in-person or online at carmelclayparks.com.

Want to enhance your experience at The Waterpark? Check out our 14 cabanas featuring a refreshed look with new furniture! Reserve your cabana online at carmelclayparks.com using your laptop, computer, or tablet. Additional information

about cabana rentals can be found here.

Other Important Mentions:

- The Waterpark will operate at regular capacity without any COVID-related capacity restrictions.
- Lawn chairs will be available. As always, guests are welcome to bring their own seating.
- The public is encouraged to join The Waterpark Updates Facebook group to stay informed on the latest news and updates. This group will share information on closures, capacity numbers, events, and more. Join here.

- All amenities will open this summer; however, lifeguard staffing could impact amenity availability. Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation values safety and strives to provide exceptional experiences. Lifeguard staffing numbers will be monitored closely to ensure a safe and enjoyable visit.

For more information about The Waterpark please visit carmelclayparks.com/the-waterpark.

Indiana Aviation Hall of Fame Names 2022 Class



The Indiana Aviation Hall of Fame (INAHOF) Board of Directors announce the members of the Class of 2022. These outstanding individuals have made significant and enduring contributions to the history of aviation and aerospace in Indiana, our nation, or the world through achievement, leadership, exceptional service, innovation, or entrepreneurial spirit.

The 2022 Indiana Aviation Hall of Fame Honorees are:

Laura Goldsberry – 1st Female U.S. Customs Service helicopter pilot
Maj. Charles Hall, USAF – First Tuskegee

Airman to down an enemy aircraft in WWII

Mike Hudson – Visionary leader of Rolls-Royce Corporation

Col. James Kasler, USAF – Combat veteran, three-time recipient of the Air Force Cross

James Maris – Purdue Professor, helped establish the Purdue Aviation Technology Program

Maj. Gen. Robert Nester, USAFR (Retired) – Combat veteran, leader, professional pilot, Distinguished Flying Cross

Michael Pittard – Aviation Entrepreneur
Jack Schweibold – World record holder, helicopter test pilot

The Class of 2022 will be inducted at the INAHOF Honors Banquet on October 8, 2022, in Carmel, Indiana.

Information about the Indiana Aviation Hall of Fame and the 2022 Honors Banquet can be found at <https://inahof.org>.

More Cutting Remarks



DICK WOLFSIE
 Funny Bone

Mary Ellen is insightful enough to know that in most of my columns I'm poking fun at myself. Take last week, for example. Wait, that's not a good example. You see, last week, I gently chided my loving wife in my column for having no desire to mow the lawn. It was not one of her favorite columns.

"Let me ask you a question, Dick. Which is better, me not mowing the lawn, or you doing a lousy job of it?"
 "Hold up! You think I'm bad at mowing the lawn?"
 "Yes, you are terrible at it. I should write a column about that. Here's what I'd say: Your rows aren't straight; you get bored and change directions; you leave grass clippings all over the driveway and sidewalk; you cut the grass far too short; and then you wear your dirty shoes into the house. Not only that, you don't put in the right mixture of gas and oil, so the mower is always smoking. Now how does it make you feel when I make fun of you for a change?"

"A little emasculated."
 "Which reminds me: The blades need sharpening, too."

"Anything else you'd write a column about?"

"How about the way you make a bed? Last night the sheets hung way over on one side, and the pillows were twisted in the pillowcases. And then you tucked the bedspread in. You know, Dick, when we got married, your mother warned me you had very little experience in the bedroom, but that's not the

kind of disappointment I expected."

"Don't stop now. You're on a roll. What else would you write about?"

"Okay, you have no clue how to load the dishwasher. You don't scrape the food off; you put the glasses in completely upright so the bottoms collect water; you put the Tupperware on the bottom level; and worst of all, you put the forks where the spoons should be and spoons where the forks should be. That could be a whole column right there."

"I must admit, you have me pegged. I hope that's all you could write about."

"Nope. Your whistling. You whistle all the time. When you are downstairs working on a column, I hear you whistling. Who whistles while they work?"

"Actually, I can think of seven people. Sleepy, Grumpy, Bashful..."

"Oh, that's right, I forgot to comment about your friends."

"Last chance: zing me one more time. Don't hold back."

"You have no sense of direction; you never read a manual when you buy a new product; you can't follow a movie without asking a million questions; you never lock the doors when you leave the house; you leave the lights on in your office, and you stand up when you eat lunch. You also stand in front of the fridge with the door wide open for five minutes, looking for something to snack on, like it's going to suddenly appear."

"Mary Ellen, I have already written about every one of those topics. Don't you read my columns?"

"Of course I read them. I was just reminding you of my favorites."

- Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.

Obituary deadline

The Times publishes obituaries daily at www.thetimes24-7.com, and in its print product every day with the exception of Sundays and Tuesdays. All obituaries must come from a funeral home. A photo may be included and should be sent as a high-resolution JPEG.

Daily obituary deadline is 4 p.m. for the following day's print publication. To read more obituaries, visit www.thetimes24-7.com.

FREE HEARING HEALTH CLINIC NOTICE

We are excited to announce Beltone's Annual Hearing Health Clinic for members of our community who have questions about their hearing. Our event will offer the following services to you or a loved one at no cost or obligation:

FREE Hearing Screening – Do you have hearing loss? Could it be excess ear wax or your sinuses? If your screening shows no hearing loss, you'll have peace-of-mind for you and your family.

FREE Ear Check – Our Otoscope allows us to see the inside of your ear canal. If wax is present, you will know right away and we will provide you with the options to manage it.

FREE 10-Point Hearing Aid Performance Check-Up on Any Make or Model – Do you already own hearing aids? Do they whistle? Do they work in noisy places? Have they weakened? Let us check and clean them for you.

This special is available now! Appointment times are limited. Call for your appointment today and take advantage of this opportunity. We are excited to serve your hearing care needs, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Why Should I Get a Hearing Screening?

- Hearing loss can be an early warning sign or is linked to ailments including: cardiovascular disease, diabetes, dementia and Alzheimer's.
- Hearing loss can also contribute to depression and social isolation.
- Everyone over age 50 should have a baseline hearing screening and should be checked regularly, similar to an eye exam.
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Going Back to the Jersey Number Retirement Debate with Kenny

A few weeks ago, we explored what would happen if Purdue athletics would reverse its stance and retire numbers of its men's basketball greats.

Now we'll take a look at which Purdue football legends should have their numbers retired. Unlike basketball, NCAA rules permit duplicate numbers to be worn as long as both players wearing, say No. 5, are not on the field at the same time.

Theoretically, this rule would give athletic directors more options than in basketball, which does not permit numbers higher than 55.

Not surprisingly, a quick check of Big Ten schools revealed that retired numbers are commonplace. Wisconsin has retired five numbers, including those worn by Heisman Trophy winners Alan Ameche and Ron Dayne

Michigan has six, among them President Gerald Ford's 48 and Heisman winners Tom Harmon (98) and Desmond Howard (21). Not to be outdone by its bitter rival, Ohio State has seven retired numbers (five of them Heisman winners) and a "WH" for Woody Hayes.

Since Purdue has no Heisman winners in its history (Bob Griese and Mike Phipps should have won but that's a column for another day), what criteria should the Boilermaker administration apply?

To me it's simple: Membership in the College Football Hall of Fame or winning a major award such as the Maxwell, John Mackey or Ray Guy.

Here's my list in chronological order, starting with the College Football Hall of Fame members:

Cecil Isbell (88) - One of the great passers of the 1930s, Isbell came to Purdue from Houston in 1934. In coach Noble Kizer's offense, Isbell played left halfback and was a triple threat as a runner, passer and punter. During his junior season in 1936, Isbell was responsible for 15 of Purdue's 23 touchdowns. He was a two-time second-team All-America selection. Isbell was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1967.

Bob Griese (12) - Voted Purdue's All-Time Quarterback in 1987 as part of the Boilermakers' football centennial



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

celebration, Griese led Purdue to a 22-7-1 record during his three seasons as a starter from 1964-66. Two-time consensus All-American who guided the Boilermakers to their only Rose Bowl victory in 1967. Griese was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1984.

Leroy Keyes (23) - Fans voted Keyes Purdue's greatest player in 1987. He remains the only two-time consensus All-American in school history and finished third in the Heisman balloting as a junior and second to O.J. Simpson as a senior. In 1968, Keyes made the cover of Sports Illustrated, which declared the Boilermakers its preseason No. 1. Keyes led the nation in scoring as a junior with a school-record 114 points (13 rushing touchdowns, six receiving touchdowns). He was also Purdue's first 1,000-yard rusher. Keyes was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1990.

Mike Phipps (15) - The Columbus, Ind., native played two games for Purdue before being on the cover of Sports Illustrated for leading the Boilermakers to the first of three consecutive victories against Notre Dame. Phipps' sophomore season in 1967 also saw Purdue win a share of the Big Ten Conference title. As a senior, Phipps was a unanimous All-American and lost the Heisman voting to Oklahoma's Steve Owens by 154 points, one of the closest margins in Heisman history to that point. Phipps was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2006.

Otis Armstrong (24) - Just like Mike Phipps had to follow a legend in Bob Griese, Otis Armstrong managed to surpass Leroy Keyes in the Purdue record book in several categories. The Chicago native rushed for 3,315 yards from 1970-72, which is still third in program history 50 years later. Armstrong averaged

nearly 5 yards a carry and his 276-yard effort against Indiana during his final game on Nov. 25, 1972, is still the greatest single-game total in Boilermaker history. Armstrong was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2012.

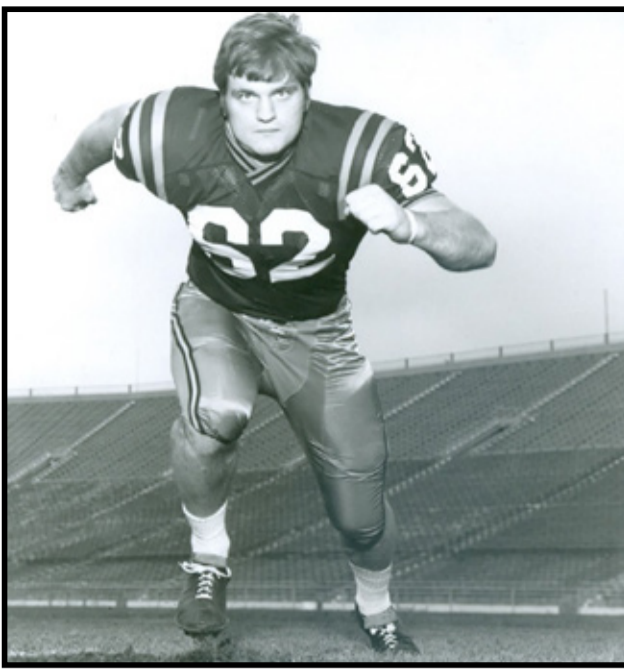


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Dave Butz



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Mike Phipps

Herrmann held nine NCAA passing records including yards (9,188) and completions (707). A four-year starter from 1977-80, Herrmann was the first quarterback in NCAA history to throw for 8,000 yards and later 9,000 yards. He led Purdue to three consecutive bowl victories (Peach, Bluebonnet, Liberty) and was the offensive MVP in each. A unanimous All-American in 1980, Herrmann was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2010.

Rod Woodson (26) - Owning 13 individual records when he played his final game for Purdue in 1986, Woodson was a three-time first-team All-Big Ten defensive back. The 1986 consensus All-American's record haul included solo tackles, interceptions, interception return yardage, interception returns for touchdowns, kickoff returns and kickoff return yardage. He also owns the longest interception return in school history,

The massive defensive tackle and Armstrong headlined arguably the greatest recruiting class in Purdue football history. Even Michigan's Bo Schembechler called Butz "the greatest defensive lineman I had ever seen." Butz was such a great athlete that he earned a basketball scholarship offer from Kentucky's Adolph Rupp. In three seasons, Butz collected 108 tackles, 21 tackles for loss and eight pass breakups. He was the defensive MVP of the Senior Bowl. Butz was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2014.

Mark Herrmann (9) - The most prolific passer in NCAA history when he graduated from Purdue,



Photo courtesy of Purdue Athletic Communications

Jack Mollenkopf

During his final three seasons, Mollenkopf led Purdue to a 25-6 record. Today that record would earn him a statue outside Ross-Ade Stadium. His College Football Hall of Fame biography states that Mollenkopf "was a coach who stressed fundamentals, preparation and execution."

Mollenkopf owned a 10-4 record against Notre Dame and was 11-2-1 against Indiana. He was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1988.

Purdue claims seven more College Football Hall of Fame members, three players and four coaches.

Alex Agase (95) was one of the stars of Purdue's undefeated 1943 Big Ten championship team, coming over from Illinois. He returned to Illinois after serving in the Marines during World War II and was an All-American again in 1946. The All-America guard was selected to Purdue's all-time team in 1987.

Chalmers "Bump" Elliott (18) was a running back for Purdue in 1943 and 1944 after being sent to West Lafayette by the Marines for officer training. His Boilermaker career lasted nine total games before being shipped out to China in 1944. Elliott finished his college career at Michigan in 1946-47, playing alongside brother Pete.

Purdue didn't have uniform numbers when Elmer Oliphant arrived on campus from Linton-Stockton High School in 1910. That tradition began at Purdue in 1928. Oliphant earned seven letters from 1911 to 1913 in football, baseball and basketball. His 43 points against Rose Poly in 1912 remains a school record. Oliphant's legend was secured when he broke an ankle against Illinois yet managed to kick the game-winning field goal for a 3-0 triumph. Thanks to wartime rules, Oliphant also was able to continue his athletic career at West

age of 42 in 1926, Smith compiled a record of 116-32-13.

William "Lone Star" Dietz made it to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2012, no thanks to his one season at Purdue. Dietz went 1-6 and was fired after the 1921 campaign.

Jim Phelan built a dominant Purdue squad in the 1920s, capped by an 8-0 Big Ten championship season in 1929. That year, Purdue outscored opponents 187-44. Phelan left for the University of Washington in 1930 and owned a 137-87-14 career record.

Jim Young was a disciple of Bo Schembechler, his old boss at Michigan, but transformed Purdue football with his passing offense during his five-year tenure from 1977-81. With Mark Herrmann setting NCAA records, Purdue went 28-7-1 from 1978 to 1980. That included the only 10-win season in school history, a 10-2 mark in 1979. Young also won at Arizona and Army, finishing with a record of 120-71-2.

Last but not least, Drew Brees (15). Under current College Football Hall of Fame rules, the greatest passer in Purdue history is not eligible for election. Since the wise voters of the NCAA-recognized All-America teams believed Chris Weinke and Josh Heupel were better quarterbacks in 2000, Brees doesn't qualify.

To quote a former Purdue athletics official, "embarrassing."

Brees, the 2000 Maxwell Award winner as college football's best player, set two NCAA records, 13 Big Ten records and 19 Purdue records. Embarrassing, indeed.

- Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

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CPA to Host New Works Premiere Performances on June 4th

22|23 THE CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
 MAJESTIC NEW WORKS
 commission project will premiere onstage Saturday, June 4, at the Tarkington.

New Works, planned to be an annual program, is designed to promote and sustain Central Indiana's working artists and artistic communities – especially those from underrepresented groups – by supporting the creation of new works across all performing arts disciplines. Each winning proposal is receiving a \$2,500 cash award, technical support in adapting the performance for the stage, and onstage rehearsal time prior to the performance. The themes of the proposed works reflect the Center's organizational core values of integrity, excellence, innovation, collaboration and inclusion.

The performance at 8 p.m. June 4 will be followed by a talkback session with the artists. Tickets are \$25, available at the Center's Fifth Third Bank Box Office, online at TheCenterPresents.org and by phone at (317) 843-3800. Livestreamed coverage of the event



Photo courtesy of The Center for the Performing Arts

Callie Burk-Hartz (left) and Alicia LaMagdeleine of Betty Rage Productions

will be available free on the Center's website and social media channels.

The winning proposals selected by the judging panel are:

Women's Work – Callie Burk-Hartz and Alicia LaMagdeleine with Betty Rage Productions

This short play will explore the complexities women face as they navigate external and internal challenges in the workplace. Six actors – three younger and three older – will represent three characters at the beginning and end of their careers in medicine, education and business, showing how their stories evolved over a 50-year span. Burk-Hartz and LaMagdeleine will write and direct the

piece, which also will include musical accompaniment by guitarist Dave Pelsue.

Fly High – Monika Herzog Trio and Zackary Herzog

Award-winning jazz pianist-composer Monika Herzog and her son Zackary will create music and choreography inspired by the family's journey through Zackary's gender transition. Zackary, a recent graduate of the Circadium School of Contemporary Circus in Philadelphia, will design the costuming and perform to the live musical accompaniment on the Cyr wheel, a large metal hoop that the performer stands inside to roll, spin and perform acrobatic moves.



Photo courtesy of The Center for the Performing Arts

Zackary Herzog performs on the Cyr wheel



Photo courtesy of The Center for the Performing Arts

Dancers from Kenyettá Dance Company

A Place in Time – Nicholas A. Owens and Lalah Ayan Hazelwood with Kenyettá Dance Company

Under artistic directors Owens and Hazelwood, Kenyettá Dance Company presents work that sparks

conversation around social, political and spiritual topics. This four-part piece will incorporate contemporary, modern, ballet and African dance, along with creative costuming, video projections and live and recorded music, to

address systemic oppression with a message of hope and promise that empowers audiences.

New Works is supported by the Allen Whitehill Clowes Charitable Foundation and by Doug and Jayne Ann Wilson.

The mission of the nonprofit Center for the Performing Arts is to engage and inspire the Central Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. Its campus in Carmel, Indiana, includes the 1,600-seat Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington proscenium theater and the black-box Studio Theater. The Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the Center Presents performance series, featuring the best in classical, jazz, pop, rock, country, comedy and other genres. Educational and experiential programming for all ages includes children's concerts and camps, book clubs, lectures, and classes in music and dance. The Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides space and support services for six resident arts companies. More information is available at TheCenterPresents.org.

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Noblesville Lions Pork Chop & Chicken Dinner
 Where: Noblesville Square, under the big tent
 When: Friday, June 3rd from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
 How much: Adults - \$10 (with ticket) or \$12 at the door; kids - \$5

Pancake Breakfast and Duck Race Hot Dogs
 Where: Under the big tent (Breakfast) and Logan Street Bridge (Hot Dogs)
 When: Saturday, June 4th, 7 - 11 a.m.; 12 - 3 p.m.
 How much: Breakfast: \$5 per person; Hot Dogs: \$3 per person

Contact any Lions Member to pre-purchase tickets

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Summer Fun in Fishers Features Free Community Events for All Ages

Summer is in full swing, and the City of Fishers and Fishers Parks are celebrating with a full lineup of free community events.

Join the fun with concerts every Tuesday night at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater; explore the newly opened Nickel Plate Trail; celebrate at the summer's biggest festival at Spark!Fishers; support local and save big during the Shop Fishers: Summer Series; cool off during the family favorite, Monsoon Madness; shop the season's freshest picks at the award-winning Fishers Farmers Market every Saturday morning and Wednesday evening; and enjoy performances from renowned local and national artists at the two-day Blues Fest event on Labor Day weekend.

The free summer event lineup includes:

- **Nickel Plate Trail**
 - Open daily
 - The downtown portion of the Fishers Nickel Plate Trail is now open, including the pedestrian tunnel beneath 116th Street, allowing users to travel from 106th Street to 146th Street. Visitors can also celebrate the grand opening of the trail and shop local with these deals at businesses along the trail through May 31. Find ways to explore the trail and see the deals at playfishers.com/NickelPlateTrail.
- **Fishers AgriPark**
 - Tuesdays - Wednesdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Thursdays - Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at Fishers AgriPark (11171 Florida Road)

- The 33-acre urban farm featuring public fields and gardens, managed by Fishers Parks, is now open. The farm offers livestock encounters and u-pick opportunities once produce is in season for Fishers residents. From educational series to agricultural-themed summer camps, public programming at the Fishers AgriPark is rooted in farm operations and agriculture in our community, the state, and the United States. Learn more at playfishers.com/Agripark.

- **Fishers Farmers Market**
 - Market at NPD AMP: Saturdays, now through September 24 from 8 a.m. - noon at Nickel Plate District Amphitheater (6 Municipal Drive)
 - Market at Saxony: Wednesdays, June 1 through September 28 from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. at 13578 E. 131st Street
 - Rated one of the top farmers' markets in the region, the Fishers Farmers Market, presented by IU Health Fishers, showcases vendors from Central Indiana that offer fresh produce, baked goods, honey, specialty food items, meats, coffee, plants, and more. Learn more at playfishers.com/FarmersMarket.

- **Water Amenities Open**
 - The free splash pads at Holland Park (1 Park Drive) and Billerica Park (12690 Promise Road) and the fountain at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater Pavilion (10 Municipal Drive) will be open daily beginning on Saturday,

May 28 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (weather permitting) through Labor Day.

- Saxony Lake and Beach (13358 Pennington Road) opens daily on Saturday, May 28 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. through August 1 (limited weekday and weekend hours in August). Entry is free for Fishers residents and \$7 for non-residents. Visitors can fill out the online waiver before arriving and learn more at playfishers.com/WaterAmenities.

- **Spark!Fishers**
 - Tuesday, June 21 - Saturday, June 25
 - The annual festival, ignited by First Internet Bank, kicks off with a concert on Tuesday, June 21, and continues all week before wrapping up with a festival on Saturday, June 25 at the Municipal Complex featuring a parade, live music, food, drink, and artisan vendors, art displays, kids and teen zones, fireworks, and more. The 2022 lineup includes:
 1. Tuesday, June 21 - Tuesday Night Concert, presented by IU Health Fishers, featuring Fishers Music Works' White River Wind Symphony
 2. Wednesday, June 22 - Evening 5K Run/Walk sponsored by IU Health Fishers, registration now open
 3. Thursday, June 23 - Spark!Fishers Car & Art Show
 4. Friday, June 24 - Friday Night Concert featuring Bruno Mars tribute band, Uptown Funk
 5. Saturday, June 25 - Street Fair festival, parade, live entertain-

ment, and fireworks

- Several volunteer opportunities are available for all ages and abilities to get involved in this year's celebration. Learn more and register to volunteer at volunteerfishers.com and learn more about the festival at sparkfishers.com.

- **Summer Concert Series**
 - Tuesdays, Wednesdays & select weekend dates / Times vary, details at npdamp.com / Nickel Plate District Amphitheater (6 Municipal Drive) or Central Green (1 Municipal Drive)
 - The free concert series includes performances at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater on Tuesday evenings starting on June 7, presented by IU Health Fishers, and Wednesday lunchtime concerts on Central Green starting on June 1, presented by Meyer Najem. The summer lineup also includes ticketed Friday night shows in partnership with MOKB Presents from the following national touring bands:
 1. June 18 - Houndmouth
 2. July 16 - Colony House with Joe Hertler & The Rainbow Seekers
 3. August 5 - Waxahatchee with Liam Kazar
 4. August 19 - The Main Squeeze (with special guests TBA)
 5. August 27 - Lawrence
 - New this year, join Fishers' Community Ambassadors—residents who love the city and want to help residents feel more connected to their community— at the Community Meetup Tent

at the free Tuesday night concerts in June. Grab a lawn chair, meet fellow residents, and enjoy music with new friends at Fishers Community Concerts.

- Get the full concert lineup and purchase tickets at npdamp.com.
- **Shop Fishers**
 - Saturday, July 16 through Saturday, July 23 throughout Fishers
 - Support local during the Shop Fishers: Summer Series, kicking off Saturday, July 16! Take advantage of special promotions and discounts at local shops and restaurants around Fishers. Learn more at thisisfishers.com/ShopFishers.
 - **Monsoon Madness**
 - Saturday, July 30 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Holland Park (1 Park Drive)
 - Beat the heat as Holland Park transforms into a pop-up water park during one of the most popular events of the summer. Presented by Centier Bank, Monsoon Madness features giant waterslides, a mini-monsoon area for little ones, and live entertainment. Pre-registration is not required, but all participants must sign the 2022 Fishers Parks safety and liability waiver.
 - **Blues Fest**
 - Friday, September 2 & Saturday, September 3 at Nickel Plate District Amphitheater (6 Municipal Drive); times will vary, details can be found at npdamp.com
 - End the summer with the 10th annual Fishers Blues Fest, a Labor Day tradition! The free, two-night event includes performances

by renowned local and national blues artists, presented by IU Health Fishers. Learn more at playfishers.com/BluesFest.

Learn more about summer fun in Fishers at playfishers.com.

Fishers Parks create a community of exploration and discovery for all ages. Whether you are looking for the perfect summer camp, a makerspace to tinker, a night to let loose, or the perfect spot to unplug, our parks and activities are made for making memories. With 24 park properties totaling over 591 acres, 131 miles of nature and multi-use trails, and vibrant events throughout the year, find your next adventure with Fishers Parks. Learn more at playfishers.com and find updates on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

The City of Fishers is a suburb of Indianapolis, Indiana, located in Hamilton County and was named #1 Place to Live in the US by Money Magazine in 2017. Under the leadership of Mayor Scott Fadness, Fishers is known as a smart, vibrant, and entrepreneurial city through its neighborhood development, dedication to supporting high-growth companies, and innovative city processes. With a population of 91,832 (2017), Fishers is one of the fastest-growing communities in Indiana and has received national accolades for entrepreneurship, livability, and safety. Learn more at fishers.in.us and find updates on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana Name Fred Glass as New President and CEO



Fred Glass

After a 6-month search, the Board of Directors announced yesterday the selection of Fred Glass as the new President & CEO for Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana. He will succeed John Elliott upon his retirement on September 30.

"The interest in this incredibly important leadership position was tremendous," said Chad Mayer, Gleaners' Board Chair. "The significant response from over 100 qualified applicants is evidence of how important Gleaners Food Bank is to Indiana and across the national food bank network."

Glass is a graduate of Indiana University and its McKinney School of Law. He brings a wealth of experience to Gleaners, including stints as Chief of Staff to former Governor Evan Bayh, President of the Capital Improvement Board and his leadership of the 2011 Super Bowl Bid Committee that laid the foundation for the 2012 Super Bowl coming to Indianapolis. He served as the Indiana University Athletic Director from 2009-2020, returning to private legal practice at Taft Law in 2020.

"I am grateful and honored for this tremendous opportunity to lead Gleaners as we work together to lead the fight against hunger," Glass said. "Feeding

the hungry is one of the most fundamental and impactful actions we can take as good neighbors and responsible citizens, and I'm thrilled to be joining the Gleaners team to be a part of doing just that. My dad modeled feeding the hungry for me at his skid row bar when I was a kid. Entering this new chapter feels like I'm coming full circle."

Robert J. Hicks, Taft Chairman and Managing Partner, expressed his support, saying, "Fred is a tremendous talent and the ideal leader to take on the challenge of food scarcity in Central Indiana. He has been a great asset and contributor at Taft, and we will miss him. I am confident that Fred's creativity, resolve, and work ethic will take Gleaners Food Bank to the next level in meeting the community's needs."

Mayer noted that the leadership team currently in place was a consideration for the committee. "The Board recognizes that Gleaners has a strong leadership team, dedicated employees, and an amazing network of organizations that have supported our Neighbors. This appointment of Fred as the 4th CEO builds on the strength of the organization and brings another, talented leader into our fight against hunger and food insecurity."

Melissa Hill, Chief Human Resources and Administrative Officer stated that the leadership team is excited to work with Glass. "I think our entire team, from leadership throughout all areas of the organization, will be thrilled to have a leader of Fred's caliber step into this role. Over John's tenure, we've built a strong culture of collaboration and teamwork within the or-

ganization. I think Fred's focus on values-based leadership will help us achieve an even greater culture - one of excellence - at Gleaners and in the communities we serve."

Glass will be just the fourth President & CEO in Gleaners 42-year history. The organization was founded by Pam Altmeyer. She was succeeded by Cynthia Hubert in 2010. John Elliott took over the helm in 2016 after serving on Gleaners' Board for 4 years.

Glass was unanimously recommended by the search committee and confirmed by the full Board. He will begin full-time work at Gleaners on September 1st, allowing for transition between he and Elliott.

Gleaners was founded in 1980 and is a respected leader within Feeding America, the nation's food bank network. Since that time, Gleaners has distributed more than 700 million pounds of food and critical grocery products through nearly 250 hunger relief agencies, schools and community partners serving needy Hoosiers. In addition to food distribution to agencies, we serve our most vulnerable populations, seniors and children, through specialty programs such as Gleaners2Go, Home Delivery, School-Based Pantries, Mobile Pantries, Summer Meals for Kids, and Senior Hunger Initiative programs. Charity Navigator has recognized Gleaners as a 4-Star organization, the highest rating for charity demonstrating fiscal management and accountability. In addition, Gleaners is an accredited charity with the Better Business Bureau and has earned a Platinum Seal of Transparency from GuideStar. To learn more, visit www.gleaners.org.

Senators Young, Booker Introduce Bipartisan Bill to Help Americans Build Savings for the Future



Senator Todd Young



Senator Cory Booker (D-N.J.)

On Wednesday, Senators Todd Young and Cory Booker (D-N.J.) introduced the Emergency Savings Act of 2022 to help Americans save for unexpected expenses without having to tap into their retirement accounts. The bill would facilitate convenient and affordable access to workplace emergency savings accounts, improving financial security and reducing retirement savings leakage.

According to a report by the Federal Reserve, almost half of Americans would struggle to cover an unexpected \$400 expense. A recent study found that, in the past year, almost 60 percent of retirement account participants who lack emergency savings tapped into their long-term retirement savings, compared to only nine percent of those who had at least

a month of emergency savings on hand.

The Emergency Savings Account Act of 2022 builds upon work by Senators Young and Booker to develop this concept over the last several years, including the Strengthening Financial Security Through Short-Term Savings Accounts Act of 2021.

"We can't always predict the future, and too many Hoosier families encounter situations where they struggle to cover unexpected expenses through no fault of their own. Unfortunately, this can cause families to dip into their retirement savings, which harms their financial future. Our bipartisan bill would help families create stable emergency savings for unforeseen expenses, while keeping retirement accounts intact for the fu-

ture," said Senator Young. "We know that many Americans are struggling to make ends meet, and that even a small, unexpected expense or emergency can send families into a financial spiral that puts them even further behind. At the same time, for many of these workers, retirement is becoming out of reach," said Senator Booker. "I'm proud to work with Senator Young to address these savings crises by creating opportunities for workers to build savings for short-term, unexpected costs while also putting them on a pathway for a more financially secure retirement. Building on our past work, this bill will allow employers to offer workplace savings accounts that will make it easier to save, promote financial stability, and help workers build their retirement funds."

Separating emergency savings from one's retirement savings account will provide participants a better understanding that one account is for short-term emergency needs and the other is for long-term retirement savings, thus empowering employees to handle unexpected financial shocks without jeopardizing their long-term financial security in retirement through emergency hardship withdrawals.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

**CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:

By / At: City of Noblesville, Indiana
Office of the Clerk
16 S. 10th Street
Noblesville, Indiana 46060

Project: 2022 Street Rehabilitation - Contract II - EN-350-02
Until: 09:00 A.M., local time, June 14th, 2022

Receipt of Bids: Bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid Form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013) as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Bidders shall submit financial data, statement of experience, proposed plan for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work, along with a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by Form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the Bidder, and clearly identified:

SEALED BID: 2022 Street Rehabilitation - Contract II - EN-350-02

Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City of Noblesville at the Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 09:00 A.M, local time, June 14th, 2022.

Qualification of Bidders: Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work type, must be on the most current Indiana Department of Transportation Pre-Qualified Contractors list at the date of the Bid Opening for the types of work involved with this project, including, but not limited to "Placing Asphalt Pavement", "Asphalt Pavement Milling", "Traffic Control: Pavement Markings", and "Surface Masonry and Misc. Concrete."

The Work: The Work shall be completed by certified / qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:

Base bid for which proposals are to be received is for the construction of approximately 130000 SY of HMA street rehabilitation, including ADA curb, ramp, and sidewalk replacement, patching, mill, wedge and level, and 1.5" HMA overlay; approximately 8400 SY of HMA alley reconstruction; and approximately 1800 SY of PCCP sidewalk replacement.

Contract Award: Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.

Bid Documents: Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after May 31, 2022. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to arodewald@noblesville.in.us and dochoa@noblesville.in.us requesting instructions to download project documents.

Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville - Engineering Department prior to 12:00PM, local time on June 9, 2022. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders list. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact person for questions is:

Andrew Rodewald, PE
City of Noblesville - Project Manager
Fax: 317-776-6322
Email: arodewald@noblesville.in.us

**Carbon Copy Question To:
Deon Ochoa**
City of Noblesville - Construction Manager
Fax: 317-776-6322
Email: dochoa@noblesville.in.us

Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Bidding Documents and the Project Manual and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of Bidding Documents or Project Manual. Bids must be submitted on the forms contained in the Project Manual and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.

Bid Security:
Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.

Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

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BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
Williams Creek Drain, Jackson's Grant Section 8
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 405 of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code that this Board, prior to final adjournment on May 23, 2022 has issued an order adopting the Schedule of Assessments, filed the same and made public announcement thereof at the hearing and ordered publication. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article Eight of this code within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication, the order shall be conclusive.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh _____
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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

To the taxpayers of the City of Westfield, Indiana. You are hereby notified that on May 23, 2022, the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, pursuant to notice heretofore given, and under and by virtue of Indiana Code § 6-1.1-41 and § 36-9-15.5, duly adopted a plan whereby the Cumulative Capital Development Fund was reestablished to provide for all of the uses as set out in Indiana Code § 36-9-15.5-2.

The fund will be provided for by a property tax rate of \$0.05 per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of taxable real and personal property within the taxing unit beginning in 2022 payable 2023 and thereafter, continuing until reduced or rescinded.

At least 25 or more taxpayers in the taxing unit who will be affected by the tax rate and corresponding levy may file a petition with the Hamilton County Auditor not later than noon 30 days after the publication of this Notice setting forth their objections to the proposed cumulative fund. Upon the filing of the petition, the County Auditor shall immediately certify the same to the Department of Local Government Finance, at which point the Department will fix a date for and conduct a public hearing on the proposed cumulative fund before issuing its approval, disapproval, or modification thereof.

Dated this 24th day of May, 2022.

The Westfield City Council
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BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
**Emery Clark & S. J. Compton Drainage Area,
Maintenance Assessment Increase**
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 405 of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code that this Board, prior to final adjournment on May 23, 2022 has issued an order adopting the Schedule of Assessments, filed the same and made public announcement thereof at the hearing and ordered publication. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article Eight of this code within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication, the order shall be conclusive.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh _____
TL19123 5/27 1t hspaxlp

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Noblesville Schools, Hamilton County, Indiana, that the proper fiscal body will consider the following additional appropriation in excess of the budget for the current year at the location of the Education Services Center, 18025 River Road, Noblesville, IN 46062 at six o'clock p.m., on the 8th day of June 2022.

Fund Name: Operations Fund	AMOUNT
Major Budget Classification:	
Personal Services	\$
Supplies	\$
Other Services & Charges	\$279,000
Township Assistance	\$
Debt Service	\$
Capital Outlays	\$628,943
TOTAL for Operations Fund:	\$907,943

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriation(s) as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance (Department). The Department will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriation(s) within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action taken.

Dated: May 27, 2022

/s/ David Hortenmiller
(Fiscal Officer)
TL19116 5/27 1t hspaxlp

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT

Lennar Homes of Indiana, LLC (11555 N. Meridian St., Suite 400, Carmel, IN 46032) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with Osborne Trails Section 10. More specifically, the project is located at the southwest corner of Horton Road and 199th Street, being a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 23 and a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, all in Township 19 North, Range 3 East, Hamilton County, Indiana. Construction activity is scheduled to commence in May 2022 and construction should be completed by May 2027. Run-off from the project site will discharge to Little Eagle Creek. Questions or comments should be directed to: Stuart Huckelberry, Lennar Homes of Indiana, LLC, 11555 N. Meridian St., Suite 400, Carmel, IN 46032, (317) 659-3200.

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Thanks for reading The Times!

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
Williams Creek Drain, Ambleside Section 1
NOTICE

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HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh _____
TL19119 5/27 1t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS BEFORE THE HAMILTON
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF **William Baker Drain, Flora Mendenhall Arm
Reconstruction**

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Drainage Board at its regular meeting May 23, 2022 adopted the reconstruction report of the Surveyor and the Amended Schedule of damages and assessments including annual assessment for periodic maintenance, finding that the costs, damages and expense of the proposed improvement would be less than the benefits which will result to the owner of lands benefited thereby.

The Board issued an order declaring the proposed improvement established. Such findings and order were marked filed and are available for inspection in the Office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article VIII of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code as amended within twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this notice, the findings and order shall become conclusive.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
BY: Christine Altman _____
PRESIDENT
ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh _____
SECRETARY

TL19122 5/27 1t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS BEFORE THE HAMILTON
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF **Clara Knotts Drain, Park Broadway Arm Phase
2 (Meridian Corporate Plaza Mound)**

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Indiana to Showcase International Collaboration and Investment at May Global Economic Summit



Governor Eric Holcomb

The state of Indiana will host its inaugural Indiana Global Economic Summit today through May 29, welcoming international delegations from more than two dozen countries, business executives and government leaders, and convening thought leaders from around the globe to discuss next-generation industries, technology and talent.

Governor Eric J. Holcomb will deliver the opening address on May 26 and moderate multiple panels at the Summit, which will be conducted at the Indianapolis Convention Center. Earlier this week, Gov. Holcomb shared remarks on the government's role in augmented manufacturing during a panel at the World Economic Forum in Davos. Gov. Holcomb was invited to speak at Davos in part because of Indiana's five-year streak of record economic development.

At the conclusion of the Summit, Gov. Holcomb and Indiana Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers will host

dignitaries and business leaders at the Indianapolis 500, which will shine a global spotlight on Indiana and its innovation in motorsports. Not since the Pan Am games in 1987 have so many foreign dignitaries been together in Indiana.

"Indiana is marking its place on the global stage as we host the single biggest international week in state history," Gov. Holcomb said. "Our state's economic development strategy is paying big dividends, and we're thrilled that the Indiana Global Economic Summit will provide a platform to share the ingenuity and innovation that makes Indiana unique."

More than 800 people including 30 international delegations are scheduled to participate.

Global leaders gathering at the Summit will discuss topics such as the impact of the semiconductor supply chain on national security, sustainability in motorsports, building robust entrepreneurial ecosystems, biotech innovation in an emergency and the geopolitics of sports. They will also conduct business-to-business matchmaking and discuss ways to address global challenges such as food insecurity and supply chain disruption.

Speakers include:

- Eric Schmidt, Former CEO, Google, Co-Founder, Schmidt Futures
- Dave Ricks, Chair and CEO, Eli Lilly & Company
- Jeff Simmons, Presi-

dent and CEO, Elanco

- Michael Andretti, Chairman & CEO, Andretti Autosport
- Micael Johansson, President and CEO, Saab AB
- Ravi Kumar, President, Infosys

Additional featured speakers are listed online at <https://www.iges2022.com/speakers>

International delegations participating in the Summit include:

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"We are thrilled to welcome global leaders to our state as we celebrate Indiana's economic momentum and explore new ways to build our future economy with like-minded partners from around the world," said Secretary Chambers. "The Summit provides a forum to strengthen relationships

and further collaborate with the world's most dynamic thinkers and leaders on solutions to our most critical challenges that benefit all of us."

More information on the Summit is available online at <https://www.iges2022.com/>.

The inaugural Indiana Global Economic Summit will showcase leading-edge thinking from Indiana and the world, with a focus on sparking new ideas and shared solutions. The Summit will offer new and insights and opportunities for Indiana to foster global relationships for innovation, engage in critical conversations about the economy of the future, and collaborate on new ideas that spark discovery and entrepreneurship.

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 assistance, and talent attraction and retention efforts. For more information, visit iedc.in.gov.

Indiana Education Savings Authority Asks for Rebranding Proposals for CollegeChoice 529

Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell is pleased to announce that the Board of Directors of the Indiana Education Savings Authority voted to approve the release of a Request for Proposals for CollegeChoice 529 Rebranding Services during their quarterly meeting on Wednesday, May 25.

"We've made a number of enhancements to the program over the last few years," said Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell, Board Chair for the IESA. "We've updated investments, lowered fees, and experienced an expansion of qualified uses. Now it's time to ensure our name and brand match the evolving program."

CollegeChoice 529 provides families with flexibility and choice when it comes to saving for education after high school. Funds can be used at any eligible school or qualified apprenticeship program, both in- and out-of-state. Accounts grow tax-deferred and distributions are tax-free as long as the money is withdrawn to pay for qualified education expenses like tuition, books, computers, equipment, and fees.

Indiana taxpayers may also be eligible for an annual state income tax credit of 20 percent of contributions to their CollegeChoice 529 accounts, worth up to \$1,000 each year (\$500 for married couples filing separately).

"Our hope is to receive a number of submissions for this project," said Marissa Rowe, executive direct of the program. "We're looking for the right partner

with experience in rebranding and a heart for work that will very practically impact the lives of Hoosiers who want to save for future education."

The RFP is available at www.in.gov/tos/iesa. The deadline for inquiries is June 7, 2022 and the deadline for submissions is June 20, 2022. For more information about CollegeChoice 529 Savings Plans, visit www.collegechoicedirect.com/plans

About CollegeChoice 529 and the Indiana Education Savings Authority:

CollegeChoice 529 is Indiana's tax-advantaged 529 education savings program and is offered and administered by the Indiana Education Savings Authority, a state government quasi-agency and board chaired by Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell. CollegeChoice 529 includes the Direct, Advisor, and CD Plans and has more than \$6.6 billion in assets under management in over 417,000 accounts as of April 30, 2022. To learn more or enroll in CollegeChoice Direct, call 1.866.485.9415 or visit www.collegechoicedirect.com. To learn more or enroll in CollegeChoice CD, call 1.888.913.2885 or visit www.collegechoicedirect.com. To learn more about CollegeChoice Advisor, contact your financial advisor, call 1.866.485.9413, or visit www.collegechoicedirect.com. These Disclosure Booklets include information on investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses, and should be read and considered carefully before investing.

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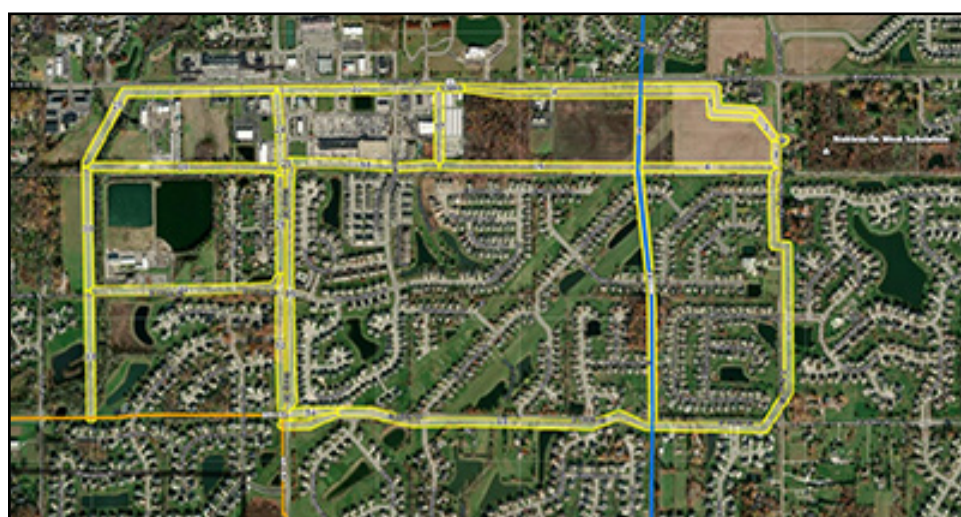
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DUKE ENERGY

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Photos courtesy of Duke Energy

Maps of the new transmission lines as currently planned. On the left is the northern stretch of lines and on the right is the southern stretch. Noblesville and Westfield residents have until July 21st to submit comments, questions and concerns to Duke. You can do so by visiting their website at <https://www.duke-energy.com/our-company/about-us/electric-transmission-projects/noblesville>.

to south, parallel to Moon-town Road/North Gray Road. This high-voltage power line is feeding the local 69-kV transmission grid, which powers area distribution substations that bring electricity to homes and businesses.

A new substation and two new 69-kV electric transmission lines will be built to:

- Help meet the growing demand for electricity in the Noblesville and Westfield areas
- Help maintain the

reliability and resiliency of local power lines and infrastructure

The new substation will be built near the intersection of Westfield Road/Indiana 32 East and Moon-town Road/North Gray Road on land that Duke

Energy purchased in 2019. Two new power lines will originate from this new substation and connect to an existing 69-kV transmission line to the south and a substation – Westfield Northeast – to the north. The new northern

line will be approximately 3 miles long and the new southern line will be approximately 2 miles long, depending on the final routes selected. A public comment period will run from June 7 to July 21, during which

time residents may submit comments and questions. Those comments and questions will help to determine the final route for the new lines. Construction is expected to begin in 2023 and be completed in 2024.

BETSY

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8. Join the Stars and Stripes BBQ Party at 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Noblesville Ace Hardware, with free 8 x 12 American flags to the first 240 customers.

9. Grab your binoculars and join Hamilton County Parks for Beginner Bird Walks at 8:30 a.m. Sundays and Wednesdays at Cool Creek Park in Westfield and 8:30 a.m. the first Wednesday, through June at Strawtown Koteewi Park in Noblesville.

10. Bring your favorite vinyl to play on a provided turntable at 5:30 p.m. on Turntable Thursdays at Primeval Brewing in downtown Noblesville.

11. Make plans to attend the annual Noblesville Lions Pork Chop Dinner, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. June 3 on the Courthouse Square with all-you-can-eat pancakes 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. June 4.

12. Get your team together for the 7 p.m. June 3 Darlington Bed Race in downtown Noblesville to benefit Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville.

13. Jim Wafford's Hamilton County TV kicks off 11th annual free summer movie series at 9:15 p.m. Fridays, June 3-24, with movies in your car on Friday nights in June at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnicking invited. Opening-night movie is "Encanto."

14. Conner Prairie 2022 History on Tap, celebrating its 10th anniversary, is 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. June 3 at Conner Prairie in Fishers, with dozens of local brewers, live music from Old Coyote and the Indy Annies.

15. Join the Amazing Miller Race, a Noblesville-themed scavenger hunt, a family-friendly virtual event June 3-5 with interactive missions that

explore the history and culture of Noblesville. Your team can play the game on your phone and complete the missions to earn points. Participants will be competing with other groups around Noblesville during the three days. Top teams will earn prizes. The teams are \$30 each. All missions will be Noblesville based. Most are walkable to downtown, but some involve driving to businesses and parks. The goal is to complete the most missions you can to earn the maximum points. The Goosechase app we use will have leaderboards so you can see the competition throughout the weekend. This fundraiser supports the Noblesville Schools Education Foundation which supports all 10 Noblesville schools. Email adriann_young@nobl.k12.in.us, 317-773-3171 ext 10431)

16. Main Street Productions presents "Rumors" by Neil Simon, at Basile Westfield Playhouse, June 2-12, directed by Jen Otterman.

17. Buy a \$5 Rubber Duck from Noblesville Main Street and watch to see if it's the first duck to cross the finish line and win \$1,000 in the annual Duck Race on White River on June 4.

18. Auditions are June 5-6 for Main Street Productions' summer youth production, "30 Reasons Not To Be in a Play," by Alan Haehnel, at Basile Westfield Playhouse, directed by Tanya Haas, on July 28-Aug. 7. Open to school-aged children to age 19. Info at westfield-playhouse.org

19. Deb Castino Memorial Golf Outing is June 7 at Harbour Trees to benefit Boys & Girls Club.

20. Carmel Community Players presents "Medley of Murders," directed by

Tanya Haas, June 10-19, at Carmel Friends Church.

21. The next Shred Day will be 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. (or until trucks are full) June 11 at Hamilton County Household Hazardous Waste Center in Noblesville.

22. Conner Prairie and the Fishers Arts Council welcome guests June 11 to a beautiful afternoon outdoor event for Art on the Prairie. Browse and shop the creations of local artists and artisans, enjoy live music, and more from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

21. Beat the heat during Simon Summer Sledding from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 11 and 12 at Simon Moon Park in Westfield with help from Westfield Fire Department. Enjoy pancakes and airplanes during a Noblesville Chapter of Experimental Aircraft Association's Fly-In and Breakfast 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. June 25 at Noblesville Airport, with free admission and donation for breakfast.

22. Roy Reynolds, known for his Elvis tributes, will sing from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. June 11 at the Noblesville Jim Dandy.

23. Bring your family to the Touch-a-Truck event, open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 17 at Grand Park in Westfield.

24. The Belfry Theatre presents "Drinking Habits" June 24-July 3 at Ivy Tech Hamilton County in Noblesville, with Nancy Lafferty directing, with reservations at thebelfrytheatre.org.

25. Enjoy pancakes and airplanes during a Noblesville Chapter of Experimental Aircraft Association's Fly-In and Breakfast 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. June 25 at Noblesville Airport, with free admission and donation for breakfast.

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

STUDENTS

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• **7th Grade:** Breanna Shirey presented by Rebecca Guthrie

• **8th Grade:** Samantha Perez-Martinez presented by Kari Beery

• **10th Grade:** Peyton Hansen presented by Debbie Reeves

• **11th Grade:** Landon Brasky presented by Jane Shields

• **12th Grade:** Joseph Hook presented by Jessica Cantlon

In addition, Toby Etchison presented Joyce Sowers, a Title Instructor at Hamilton Heights Elementary School, with the 2022 Tony Etchison Memorial Award. Sowers is described as always having a smile on her face and is always willing to help. "You can tell how much she's loved by the kids when you see them passing her in the hall," added MaryAnn Haymaker. "Joyce is genuinely good person who does good things. She really embodies what Tony was about, being kind and making a difference just by being who she is."

"The IMPACT awards are a time where we as educators can reflect on those students who have overcome obstacles and achieved personal triumph," said Denise Funston, Special Education Resource Teacher at Hamilton Heights Elementary School. "We live in a world that is not always kind and/or easy for some of our learners. IMPACT awards allow us to recognize and celebrate those who have demonstrated strength, resilience and overcome difficulties. I believe that is something to

really celebrate and show them it is a big deal."

"I have had the privilege of being part of the Impact Awards since its inception," said Jane Shields, HHHS Spanish Teacher and Adjunct Professor, Ivy Tech Community College. "At first I got involved because I knew of Youth Assistance and the positive impact that it has on the youth throughout Hamilton County. I wanted to support the efforts of this program and Hamilton Heights' excellent Youth Advocate, MaryAnn Haymaker."

"Because I teach upper-level Spanish, at first I thought that I would not have the population that the Impact Awards was looking for," she continued. "But, when MaryAnn first invited the teachers to nominate someone, I started to think differently about my students and what they might have going on in their lives outside the classroom. It is hard for teachers to know all the things that could potentially have an adverse effect on school performance. Trying to gain that insight as I sought out a nominee every year in April has helped me to have a different level of awareness of the personal needs of all my students throughout the entire school year."

The event's emcee, Hamilton Heights School Corporation Superintendent, Dr. Derek Arrowood, said the purpose of this event is to celebrate the accomplishments of students who have overcome significant challenges in their lives and demon-

strated success. "These are no ordinary students," said Dr. Arrowood. "The adversities these students have faced did not limit their ability to succeed inside and outside the classroom. Their examples can be a lesson to all of us that anyone can overcome challenges in their life and become an inspiration to others."

"One of the many blessings of being an educator is the impact students have on my life to help me be the better version of me than I was yesterday," added Funston, of the joy of participating in the annual recognition program.

The memorable evening was made possible, in part, thanks to the generous support of this year's sponsors: Arcadia Christian Church, Ayers Real Estate, Beck's, Big Dawg's Smokehouse, Bolden's Dry Cleaners, Church Church Hittle + Antrim, Cicero Pool & Spa, Delaware Glass, Doak Financial, Erika's Place, Fred Woodruff and Winona Dings, Gatewood Vegetable Farm and Greenhouse, Gymies Fitness Center, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Harbourshores Church, Jackson Township Trustee's Office, Lehman & Company, P.C., Logan Street Signs and Banners, Mid-Indiana Marine, Mr. Muffins Trains, Noblesville Elks Lodge, North Central Outdoor Power, Powers Septic and Sewer, Purce's Heating and Cooling, Specialty Tax Service, Spring Valley Storage, The Farmers Bank, and Westbrook Village, LLC.

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Survey Reveals Optimism Among Business Owners, Despite Challenges

(StatePoint) Supply chain issues top the list of concerns for small business owners over the last six months, but they see those pressures easing by mid-year, according to new research. In the meantime, inflation is expected to continue impacting business owners, with a majority planning to further raise their own prices.

The latest PNC semi-annual Economic Outlook survey of small and mid-size business owners and executives is a good gauge of the overall economy, however analysts point out that the situation in Eastern Europe that's unfolded since has likely intensified some of the sentiments expressed by respondents.

"The events in Ukraine were not on the minds of business owners when the survey was conducted in January," says PNC chief economist, Gus Faucher, "There was concern at that time about rising prices, and that worry has likely intensified, given the rapid increase in energy prices, among other factors."

In January, 34% of owners who rely on a supply chain said timeliness had worsened in the previous six months and 28% of businesses that rely on inventory are faced with the challenge of not having enough supply to meet expected demand. However, 57% expect these issues to improve in the next six months.

"Supply chain problems have been a big contributor to the highest inflation the U.S.

has seen in almost 40 years. But it's encouraging that most small businesses see this easing soon," Faucher said. "The wild card now is how long inflationary factors due to the Ukraine crisis last."

Rising prices also are on the minds of business owners – 51% expect to increase their prices in the next six months and 34% percent say their prices have already gone up in the past six months.

"Six months ago, businesses were raising prices because demand was strong enough that they could. Now it appears higher costs are forcing them to," Faucher said.

Turnover and Hiring Impacts

Forty-three percent of business owners report losing staff since the start of the pandemic, which they agree is bad for business. Top reasons for employee departures are illness or death (50%), worker concerns over health or safety (46%), and changes in lifestyle or priorities (36%).

Among businesses with employees, 26% say it's become harder to hire qualified personnel. Businesses are responding to recruiting challenges, most notably through improved work conditions, like health and safety improvements, allowing more flexible work arrangements, and increasing compensation. In the meantime, businesses are coping with worker shortages by increasing existing employees' workloads, having owners or managers cover

shifts and by increasingly relying on technology or automation.

Other key survey findings include:

- **Vaccine boosterism:** Fifty-six percent of business owners say a majority of their workforce has a COVID-19 booster vaccination. Sixty-five percent have taken some action to encourage boosters through a requirement (31%), assistance and/or education (29%), incentives (22%) or restrictions for those who choose not to receive the booster (19%).

- **Tempered optimism:** Business leaders' expectations about their own companies remain strong with 47% feeling highly optimistic and only 2% feeling pessimistic. However, their outlook for the national and local economies has shifted to cautious.

- **Business adaptation:** Small and mid-sized businesses have made dramatic, lasting changes to adapt to the pandemic environment. Ninety-two percent have made at least one change to policies, processes, operations or use of technology, and almost all of those owners expect one or more of the changes to become permanent.

For full survey results, visit pnc.mediaroom.com.

Labor and supply shortages continue to plague small and mid-sized businesses. Despite these challenges, there's prevalent optimism, which experts say is an encouraging sign of what's to come.

5 Interviewing Tips To Help You Land A New Job

(Family Features) With so many job openings these days, you may think you'll have an easy time sliding into a new role. Not so fast. Because of the huge number of options available and plenty of workers contemplating changes, you're likely to encounter some competition to land the job you want. A solid interview can help you close the deal.

Consider these five tips to help you make a great impression and land the job of your dreams:

1. Prepare, prepare, prepare. Avoid thinking of the interview as your first step toward a new job. Once you set the appointment, it's time to take a deeper dive to learn as much as you can about the company and position. Ideally, you did some of this legwork when you created a custom resume and cover letter, but for the interview, you need to know more. After arming yourself with all the information you can, practice answers to questions you expect the interviewer to ask.

2. Decide what the interviewer should know about you. Using the job description as a guide, create a list of points you want to communicate to show how your experience and knowledge fit the role. During the interview, pay attention to opportunities for sharing these details about your skillset. Most interviewers will give you the opportunity to add information you haven't covered; use this time to deliver a succinct summary of how you can succeed in the position.

3. Create your own list of questions. An interview isn't just about determining whether

you're a fit for a job; you also need to decide whether the job is a fit for you. Think about what you need to know in order to feel confident accepting an offer. You might organize your thoughts by considering what is essential in a new job and what aspects are "nice to have."

4. Present yourself as a winning candidate. Impressions are everything when it comes to interviews. Dress to impress with well-fitted clothing appropriate for the job and practice good grooming habits, including details like trimming your nails and minimizing distractions like pet hair. Arrive early enough that you're not rushed or flustered when you check in for your appointment. Use good posture, a firm handshake and a clear, confident voice. Speak authoritatively but respectfully and try to make the interview a comfortable, conversational exchange.

5. Leave a lasting impression. Before you end the interview, ask for clear insight on the next steps in the process. Within 24 hours, send follow-up messages to each person you met with. Thank them for their time and include references specific to your conversation, such as elaborating on a question or reiterating a key point. This shouldn't be a copy-paste message, but rather a tailored one to each individual. Close by reiterating your interest and how your skills are a fit.

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He Waits By The Phone . . . And Waits

Why do I bother?

Every year around this time I sit by the phone waiting for the call, and other than the good folks from Diapers to Diplomas Daycare, it never comes.

What call is that, you ask? The one from schools looking for graduation speakers. I mean, c'mon, these worn out Weejuns have a lot of miles on them. Think how much wisdom has been forgotten, uh, I mean accumulated, in decades of newspaper work. And hey, I'm not selfish. I'm willing to share.

Do schools ever call? Again, except for the good folks at DDD, the silence has been overwhelming.

So here's a thought. Keeping the ever-present social distancing in mind, once again I'll offer this graduation speech in virtual reality. Ready, here goes:

(Clears throat . . .)

Parents, distinguished guests, faculty, alumni and soon-to-be graduates, it's a pleasure and an honor to be with you today.

And thus ends the formal part of my talk. Look it's sweltering hot in here. You guys are sitting there sweating in polyester robes that probably feel like they're melting into your skin while moms and dads and grandmas and grandpas are even more uncomfortable (it's an age thing, trust me on this



TIM TIMMONS
Sagamore News Media CEO

one).

So let me cut to the chase and tell you what I've learned over a long newspaper career that sent this vagabond newspaperman from the east coast to the left one, from Texas to Lake Michigan and a bunch of places in between. And I'll wrap this speech up with a secret that most of the world misses. If you want to be a financial success, this is as close to a guarantee as you're ever going to get. And yes, it's at the end so I can keep you hanging around.

But first, here's my learned truths

- Right and wrong isn't that hard to figure out. (But you are entering a world that is trying its damndest to make that not so.)
- You get what you earn,

good or bad.

- Along those lines, actions have consequences . . . again, good or bad.

- If you take out more than you put in the well runs dry (but we'll save the lessons of taxes, social services and government for another day).

- There are only two sexes, and your generation already knows way more about this than mine did at your age.

- And finally, tattoos are overpriced and mostly permanent – something you should take into account when you realize Barbie dolls and monster trucks would've been your choice had you got one at age 10.

That's it. Lesson over. Oh sure, I have a lot of other thoughts, and I'll continue to stand up here at my virtual podium and blabber on for a while. But I wanted to get those in before you slyly pull your phones out and text, twitter and tweet to whatever trips your trigger.

Let's start with the society you are about to become a bigger part of. Let me share something said by one of the 20th century's greatest writers, Kurt Vonnegut. The Indianapolis native said that "If we are wounded by an ugly idea, we must count it as part of the cost of freedom and, like American

heroes in the days gone by, bravely carry on."

He also said:

"And how should we behave during this apocalypse? We should be unusually kind to one another, certainly. But we should also stop being so serious. Jokes help a lot. And get a dog if you don't already have one."

Kindness, not getting all bent out of shape when you hear something you don't like, not befriending someone on social media 12 seconds after reading their latest post . . . really?

Yes, really. It wasn't all that long ago that people in different cities communicated by letter, carried by the U.S. Mail. Communication over a single idea might take months.

You can bet that helped slow down the overreactions and drama!

So it goes.

OK, I had a boss once who told me that the brain can only absorb what the ass can endure, so big finale graduates – and that secret I promised you. I'm going to split this into two parts – one about overall success, knowing that each of us may have our own definition. The second part will be how to make a bunch of money.

First things first. Want to be a success? Want it doggone near guaranteed? It's five words

– work harder than everybody else. Doesn't matter if you are digging ditches or programming computers or selling widgets. Work harder than the other guys and you will be successful 90 out of 100 times. Why not 100? Because 10 of you will work hard, but do it wrong. Smarts have to figure in here somewhere, too.

And if you want to be rich, look around at what's needed. Millionaires and billionaires were made by people who figured out that the sludge in the bottom of railroad cars could be repurposed and sold off. Or by guys and gals who thought of a better way to make bottle caps, and in turn became lid moguls. Or by folks who figured out how to bring toilets from the backyard into the house by simply adding pipes to take it out back again. There are always needs and always someone who'll figure it out. Be that person if you want to retire early. And if you want to remember the newspaper guy who gave you the nudge, my e-mail address is below.

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2nd Best Brothers

I have three brothers, and together, we couldn't be more different. Well, that's not quite true. Two of us think similarly. Two of us behave similarly. Two of us react similarly.

The matter is that, at any given time, we are never sure which two.

Maybe that's because we are the offspring of our father, and two different mothers. Maybe it is simply because we are products of two different generations. Brothers One (me) and Two (Todd) were born in the waning years of the Baby Boomer generation. Brothers Three (Ben) and Four (David) are Millennials.

Perhaps our differences and similarities lie in that two of us have spent most of our lives living out of state (brothers Two and Four), and two of us (One and Three) have never strayed far from home for very long.

Two of us are conservative in our politics and general



JOHN O. MARLOWE
With the Grain

beliefs, but in differing intensities. I likely would be deemed "middle of the road". Todd is closer to a Trumper, although he tends to vote for whomever he feels will leave more money in his paycheck.

Ben and David are liberals, ranging from "government

doesn't do enough to help people," to "that @#&%! Bernie Sanders is a closet Republican," respectively. Two of us voice our politics openly (Nos. Two and Four), and two of us don't unless we are pinned down.

Two of us are churchgoing. I go almost every week, Ben less so. David is a staunch atheist. Todd will be happy to buy God a beer, if he shows up.

Two of us have pursued careers in the arts -- me (writing), David (acting) -- with about the same level of success. We are in the game, but still waiting to be discovered. Ben (IT) and Todd (Oil Industry) have more traditional careers, but actually enjoy their jobs.

Todd has a two-hour commute one way. David's day job requires a company truck. Ben and I work from home.

Emotionally, Ben and I are the closest. We both wear our hearts on our sleeves. You'd

have to take off a yellow mack, two overcoats, a suit coat, a blazer, cummerbund and vest, and two T-shirts to get to Todd's and David's real feelings. Yet, they are indeed there.

Two of us love pie. Two would rather have fruit.

Dad was a sportscaster, so not surprisingly in our early years, we loved sports -- two of us. Ben and David preferred the grease paint of the theater. The only time they used a jock strap was in the opening act of La Cage aux Folles.

All four of us get moody and depressed. Thanks Dad.

Two of us have kids: Todd (two girls) and Ben (twin girls!).

All four of us love dogs! We each have owned two simultaneously -- B.F. and Sweetie, Dottie and Oliver, Sophie and Teddy, Charlie and Lilly. Ben has a twenty year old turtle named "Spike". I had a peacock named "Ed".

Ben and I tend to follow the rules and stay out of trouble. In his youth, Todd was on a first-name basis with most of the local deputies. David has been mugged six times! (Indianapolis 2, Chi-cago 2, New York and Los Angeles 1 each).

My brother, Todd, has the best outlook, but he is the least likely to reveal it. He has a saying that my sister-in-law shared with me. When asked whether something was to his liking, he al-ways responds: "It's the second best thing I've ever had."

When asked why he gives that answer, he explains it this way: "I'm always hopeful that some-thing better will come along, tomorrow." That's a great mantra. I think it applies to just about everything.

Everything, that is, except brothers.

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Cutting Remarks

I see women in my neighborhood mowing their lawns. My wife doesn't mow our lawn. I don't think she will ever mow the lawn. Lawn mowing season is here and it just kinda drives me crazy trying to figure out why she won't mow the lawn.

I want to ask her about this, but I am afraid she'll assume I want her to mow the lawn. This couldn't be farther from the truth. If she started mowing the lawn, that would jeopardize our relationship by altering the delicate balance between her independence and her femininity.

If she really want-



DICK WOLFSIE
Life in a Nutshell

ed to mow the lawn, I wouldn't stop her.

Don't misunderstand. I am not accusing my wife of being lazy. She takes on a great deal of responsibility. She is in charge of all the family finances, is on several boards, does all the shopping and

prepares dinner for me almost every night. She also monitors both of our medical appointments.

I'm just really curious to know the reason she won't mow the lawn.

When I married Mary Ellen, it didn't matter that she had no interest in mowing. After all, she was intelligent, beautiful, sensitive and caring. It was all a man could want. I just assumed that if shove came to push she'd mow the lawn.

The first year we were married, we lived in an apartment and she really had no opportunity to hone this skill. Then we moved to a condo and the lawn was cut for

us. When we moved to our first house, the lawn was pretty big and that's when our son was born, so expecting her to mow and bottle feed at the same time would have been asking too much.

To be honest, I probably wouldn't enjoy seeing my wife out there huffing and puffing and sweating. Of course, I wouldn't have to watch. And when she finished, she could just freshen up before dinner.

There are some days, especially in the summer, when I'd like to just sit on a lounge chair and sip lemonade, but instead I have to mow the lawn. That's where

a wife who's willing to mow comes in really handy. Not that I'd want her to.

It's really chauvinistic for a man to make his wife mow the lawn. On the other hand, it's also chauvinistic for a man to assume that a woman can't or won't mow the lawn, so I guess I should at least ask her. Maybe she really wants to mow but is afraid I won't let her.

And maybe she thinks she's not strong enough. But those new mowers kind of guide themselves. They require very little strength. I'm sure that if she just knew the state-of-the art tech-

nology available, she'd jump at the chance to mow the lawn.

Now, my friend, Jeff—his wife mows the lawn. He was over the other day and he asked me why Mary Ellen never mows the lawn. I was as honest with him as I could be...

"I don't know, Jeff. I never really thought about it."

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Ask Rusty – Will My Husband's Benefits Continue After He Dies?

Dear Rusty: My husband is 65 and I am 55. He has recently been diagnosed with terminal lung cancer. My question is, will I continue receiving his full social security check every month after his passing? Will the amount decrease? **Signed: Tearful Wife**



ASK RUSTY
Social Security Advisor

Dear Tearful Wife:
So sorry to hear of your husband's condition. If he is now receiving Social Security benefits, when he passes your husband's Social Security payments will stop. You will be able to keep the payment received in the month your husband dies (which is for the previous month), but any payments made thereafter must be returned to the Social Security Administration (SSA). FYI, normally the funeral director who handles arrangements sends a death certificate to Social Security, which will stop your husband's SS benefits effective with the

payment for his month of death. However, you should notify the bank which receives your husband's SS payment of his death, and they will automatically return any later incorrect payments to the SSA.
At age 55, you are too young to collect survivor benefits from your husband (unless you are disabled, in which case you can). You will first become eligible for a survivor benefit from your husband when you are 60 years old, but if you claim it at that time, it will be cut by 28.5% from the full amount.

Social Security Matters by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor

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Your maximum benefit as your husband's survivor is 100% of the benefit he is now receiving, but you can only get the full amount by waiting until your own full retirement age (FRA) of 67 to claim it. Any SS benefit claimed before full retirement age is reduced.
If you are still working when you become eligible for your survivor benefit, you should be aware that Social Security will impose an earnings limit until you reach your FRA. The earnings limit changes annually (for 2022 it

is \$19,560) but, if it is exceeded, SS will take away benefits equal to \$1 for every \$2 you are over the limit (half of what you exceed the limit by). If you work full time and your earnings are high enough, you may be disqualified from receiving survivor benefits (because your benefit amount may not offset the penalty for exceeding the earnings limit). The earnings limit applies until you reach your full retirement age, at which time your survivor benefit also reaches maximum (100% of the amount your husband

was receiving at his death).

If you will also be eligible for your own SS retirement benefit (from your own lifetime work record), and your own benefit at maximum will be more than your survivor benefit, you can choose to take your survivor benefit first and delay claiming your own SS retirement benefit until it is more than your survivor benefit. Your own benefit will reach maximum at age 70 so you could, if desired, take your survivor benefit first and your own larger benefit later. Or, once you are 62 you can claim only your own reduced benefit first and allow your survivor benefit to reach maximum at your full retirement age. In other words, you have a choice of which benefit to claim, and you should try to maximize the one which will give you the highest benefit for the rest of your life. But remember, the earnings test will apply

to any benefit you claim before reaching your full retirement age.

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Buffalo, Laguna Woods, Houston – The World Gets crazier Every Day

Dr. Glenn Mollette

A good person did not enter a grocery store in Buffalo, New York killing ten people and wounding multiple others. A good person did not enter a church in Laguna Woods, California wounding many and killing one person. A good person did not enter a Houston, Texas flea market killing two and wounding at least three more. These are evil people. The police officer who heroically fought back in the Buffalo grocery store with a gun was a good person. He was trying to protect the other good people who were in the grocery store.

If America rounded up all the guns and used them for only police



GLENN MOLLETTE
Guest Column

officers and the military, there would still be evil people. Evil plots, make irrational decisions and go to depraved levels to carry out their heinous acts. What an evil person does is beyond the comprehension of everyday moral people. A mentally depraved person thinks in a sphere of unreality. They have thoughts

no one else would ever think. Pathetically they put their thoughts into action. The Buffalo shooter drove hundreds of miles. He bought tactical gear and wore protective armor that enabled him to withstand the security guard's bullets and kill the security guard.

Generally, people used to live their lives concerned about what God or a higher power thought about them. They were interested in pleasing God, their parents, the school teacher, coach or clergy leader. Today, insanity is bowing down to the god of social media. The deranged Buffalo shooter wore a camera so that his social media followers could see what he was

doing. People often video themselves sky diving, jumping off cliffs, singing or whatever to show their followers what they are doing. The Buffalo shooter took it to another level and will most likely be mimicked by others. It's interesting that social media has the power to ban a former President but it can't control or prevent an insane live video feed of someone wanting to show others that he is killing people.

Evil people will find a way to carry out their evil schemes. They will find a way to get guns or use cars, planes, trucks, fire or whatever to hurt others. The people killing people in churches and grocery stores are not deer hunters. They aren't

wild turkey or rabbit hunters. They aren't the average citizens who just want a gun for their bedside table for protection. The people perpetrating these crimes are deranged.

Our society must find a way to unarm those who are displaying outward signs of craziness or have any records of unlawful activity. Once again, it's difficult to keep guns out of the hands of bad people because evil works very hard. However, we must continue to try.

Grocery stores, churches and most businesses will eventually have locked doors. You will need a card to unlock the door much like hotels use today. You will need your name

and information registered with the business or house of worship before you'll be able to enter. Armed guards like airport security guards will check your identification when you come to the door. This still doesn't protect the families playing in a city park or those gathering in an open-air sidewalk café. To some extent we will always be vulnerable, everywhere.

The world has felt crazier every day for the last two years. This past weekend proved again that it's not getting better.

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Don't Get Caught Up With The Crowd

By Bryan Golden

Many problems we have could be avoided or minimized if more people refused to follow the crowd. Group behavior often instills fear and panic as it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy. Regardless of reality, the crowd is lead with false premises. They then behave as if what they are being told is true. As a result, their actions transform the alleged circumstances into reality.

For example, there are reports that a specific bank might be having financial problems. In fact, there is no truth to the rumors. Nevertheless, its customers panic, causing a run on the bank. Now the bank does have monetary difficulties.

Crowd mentality is a powerful force that sweeps up many as it builds momentum. However, crowd mentality is rarely grounded in logic or reasonable thinking. Group think assimilates individuals who, by themselves, normally aren't governed by fear.

One major contributing factor to the crowd mentality is media hysteria.

The media's choice of words when reporting on events has a huge impact. Subjective descriptions are used to evoke a specific reaction. When the headlines are dire, the crowd behaves accordingly.

A negative group mindset is as contagious as an epidemic. Individuals are subjected to peer pressure. They are chastised

for any contrarian views. Mob psychology has impacted us throughout history.

People caught up in crowd mentality accept what they are told without questioning its validity. The result is a few controlling many. Just watch how a few sheepdogs can direct a heard of hundreds of sheep. People will behave as part of the crowd in ways they would never imagine were they acting independently.

You want to guard against being pulled into the crowd. Although it's tempting to go along with the flow, resistance is worth the effort. Giving up your individuality carries too high a price. There are some simple steps you can take to

avoid getting caught up with the crowd.

You don't have to participate in any mass hysteria.

You are in control of your thoughts and actions. Think for yourself. Ask questions. What is the source of the information you are getting and what is the bias? Also, is there any hidden agenda?

What works for others isn't necessarily right for you.

You need not follow along just because someone else is behaving in a particular fashion.

Consider your own situation and beliefs. What makes sense for you is the essential issue.

For example, let's consider the economy. Historically, its fluctua-

tions are cyclic. Perhaps there is a downturn and the crowd is yelling the sky is falling. However, you have an income and are OK financially. Why should you change your behavior and go along with the crowd?

What about a situation where the opposite exists? The crowd is gushing about a surging economy. Yet, you have lost your job and are struggling. In this case, you must tailor your actions to accommodate your situation.

What others say or think about you doesn't matter. Your life shouldn't be structured to seek approval. You are responsible for your actions along with the results. You can't blame anyone else for what you

do. The excuse, "everyone else was doing it" doesn't have any validity.

When you follow the crowd, you abdicate your free will. The risk is doing things you may regret. Your behavior may then also exacerbate your own situation, making problems worse.

Crowd behavior and attitude is often negative. By getting caught up in it, you get pulled down. Stay independent, remain positive, and follow your own path. You will be happier and accomplish more.

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