### **□ TODAY'S VERSE**

Isaiah 55:12 For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.



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What makes Remi Shirayanagi smile? "A good joke, and my friends and family that contribute to my life make me happy," said the 18-year-old, a 2022 Carmel High School graduate. This fall, she will be heading to Reims, France, to begin the UC Berkeley-Sciences Po Dual Degree program where she will be studying Politics & Government with a focus on Europe-North American relations. Last summer, she was a soloist in the Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre's Revue! Currently, this summer, she is ecstatic to be starring in her first Belfry Theatre performance this weekend. She will perform today through Sunday during five performances of The Belfry Theatre Apprentice Players' production of Disney's "Frozen Jr." at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville. She will play the role of Elsa of Arendelle, who has the magical ability to create and manipulate ice and snow, and, of course, she will sing the popular "Let It Go," in the all-youth musical. (She also thanks her voice teacher, Jack.) Hobbies, passions? "I'm really into music. I've played violin for 12 years. I love to travel. I like learning new languages. I like learning about different cultures. And something random, I like Zillow (online real-estate marketplace): I look at Zillow all the time." Remi was named 2022 Good Citizen of the Year for the Horseshoe Prairie Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. "I think it's really important to be a good citizen to contribute to society, to work toward creating progress in this great nation." Greatest achievements in high school? She was president of A5 (Advancement of Asian Americans in Arts & Athletics), a club of more than 160 students, which empowers students to break Asian American stereotypes. In high school. she was on the Carmel Debate Team and was head of Congressional Debate, a section leader for the CHS Symphony Orchestra, an AP Distinguished Scholar, symphony class representative for the Orchestra Council, a Social Studies peer tutor, Carmel Young Democrats member. DECA business club member and National Honor Society member. She was a National History Day state finalist, a delegate for American Legion Auxiliary Girls State and was a founding committee member and organizer of Carmel Pride. She was the Youth Ambassador to Taiwan for the Rotary Youth Exchange program and spent a year abroad at age 15, attending a local high school and taking Chinese classes at Chung-Yuan University. Inspiration? "The person who inspires me is my mother," said the daughter of Ikue Shirayanagi. "She has done a lot for me, growing up in a single-parent household. She immigrated here to help my brother and I support our dreams and give

### And **Another Thing...**

us opportunities."

Hoosier Lottery Mega Millions tickets should be checked carefully as three entries won \$10,000 by matching four-out-of-five numbers and the Mega Ball in Tuesday night's estimated \$830 million jackpot drawing. Meanwhile, the estimated Mega Millions jackpot for the Friday, July 29 drawing increased to \$1.025 billion.

The winning \$10,000 Mega Millions tickets were purchased at Circle K #2285 located at 11601 Allisonville Rd. in Fishers, Meijer C-Stop #170 located at 10240 Indianapolis Blvd. in Highland, and Main Street Shell #203 located at 2 E. Main St. in Cambridge City. The winning Mega Millions numbers for Tuesday, July 26 are: 7-29-60-63-66 with a Mega Ball



**NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA** 

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Photo courtesy of Indy Ghost Light Photography

Mia Gordon of Noblesville (left) and Amaya Smith, Westfield, rehearse for the summer youth production, "30 Reasons Not To Be in a Play," at Basile Westfield Playhouse, readying for opening night tonight.

### **30 Reasons Not To Be in a Play' Has** More Reasons to Go See It in Westfield



**BETSY REASON** The Times Editor

What can go wrong during the production of a play? Just about anything.

Stage kisses, pinkeye, stirring

Hamilton County Sheriff

Dennis Quakenbush announced

the launch of a new body-worn

camera program. As part of the

program, deputies within the

Hamilton County Sheriff's Of-

fice will be using the Motorola

Solutions V300 continuous-op-

eration body-worn cameras on

The V300 body-worn cameras

service calls across all shifts.

are a durable high-definition

camera worn on the front of

The V300 uploads the video

and audio captured to a secure

cloud-based site where videos

"The Hamilton County

Sheriff's Office welcomes the

addition of this critical technol-

ogy to our agency," said Sheriff

Dennis Quakenbush. "We are

confident that the use of body-

can be reviewed.

deputies uniforms that are Wi-

Fi, Bluetooth, and GPS-enabled.

Office to Launch New

**Body Camera Program** 

up World War III.

Tanya Haas of Carmel is director of the play, "30 Reasons Not To Be in a Play" and Tom Smith of Westfield is the producer.

In a series of crazy examples, this play proves that drama can be a very dangerous thing and it must be avoided at all costs.

Haas picked out the play and submitted it to Basile Westfield Playhouse in 2019 when she heard that Westfield Playhouse was in search of someone to direct a youth show for the summer of 2020.

'I enjoy directing youth productions, so I started looking for a show that might work. I have a personal policy when I direct

young actors that I only do nocut shows," she said.

What's a no-cut show? "I want any actors who want to be a part of something like this to have that opportunity, no matter their experience level.

Being an actress herself, Haas knows that "twinge of heartache that comes from not getting cast in a play." She said, "And I don't want someone to fell that heartache before they even get a chance to try."
Haas said Westfield typically

does straight plays instead of musicals for the youth show for three reasons.

1) Most of the other local

See BETSY Page A7

### Hamilton County Sheriff's Noblesville **Back to School**



### **NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS**

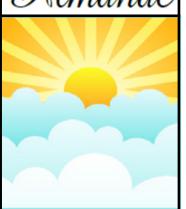
This year, Noblesville Schools' biggest party will also be the grand opening of the new

Beaver Stadium! The public is invited to attend the Back to School Stadium BASH this Friday, July 29 from

5-8 p.m. at Beaver Stadium. The BASH features food, games, sports, art, giveaways, live music, and community and school exhibitors. Event sponsors include Angie Sutton State Farm, Guaranteed Rate Mort-

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Sunrise/Sunset RISE: 6:38 a.m. SET: 9:01 p.m.



High/Low **Temperatures** High: 84 °F Low: 70 °F



Today is....

- Buffalo Soldiers Day
- National Hamburger Day
- National Intern Day



### What Happened On This Day

- 1928 IX Summer Olympics open in Amsterdam
- 1958 National Aeronautics and Space Act is passed by the US Congress
- 2005 IRA Army Council Announces End to Armed Campaign





### **Births On This Day** • 1929 Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis American book editor, 37th First Lady of the

**United States** • 1954 Hugo Chávez Venezuelan military officer, politician, President of Venezuela

#### **Deaths On This Day** • 1540 Thomas Cromwell

- English statesman
- 1750 Johann Sebastian Bach

German organist, composer

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### OBITUARIES

Robert D. Jones Jessica Rene Livengood Evelyn L. Roudebush



### TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Most back strains improve on their own in a week or two. 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.

**Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush** 

community we serve."

worn cameras by our Deputies

accountability, assist in prosecu-

tions and provide a transparent

unbiased view of interactions

between our Deputies and the

The Hamilton County Sher-

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will enhance safety, promote



### **⇒** HONEST HOOSIER

This from a reader: AOC single-handedly putting an end to dumb blonde jokes.



The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank KAREN CRUSENBERRY for subscribing!

### **□ TODAY'S QUOTE**

"We realize the importance of our voices only when we are silenced."

- Malala Yousafzai

### **■ TODAY'S JOKE**

"Little Johnny, can you use the term 'letter carrier' in a

sentence? "Sure teacher! When my dad saw how many suitcases

mom had for our summer vacation, he said he'd letter carrier own dang luggage!"





PAGE TWO II THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2022

## Robert D. Jones

June 25, 1930 - July 26, 2022

Robert D. Jones, 92, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville.

He was born on June 25, 1930 to Charles and Constance (Leffert) Jones in Bourbon, Indiana.

Mr. Jones proudly served in the United States Army. He was a Purdue graduate and member of First Presbyterian Church. He worked as an engineer for AT&T for many years, and after retirement he worked at Stony Creek Farms in Noblesville. In his early years, Mr. Jones was a farmer. He enjoyed being a pilot and flying. He loved John Deere tractors and growing pumpkins.

Survivors include his grandson Matthew (Julie) Jones; granddaughter Ashley Jones; daughter-in-law Lorraine Jones; stepdaughters Kathy (Patrick) Newell and Susan (Bill) Shorter.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Betty June Jones in 2000; second wife Beverly Curtis Jones; son Douglas Jones; and four siblings Carl Jones, Helen Seifert, Marge Lundeguard and Charles

Services are scheduled to be held at 1 p.m. on Monday, August 1, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1685 Westfield Road in Noblesville, with Pastor Eric Gale officiating. Visitation is scheduled to run from 11 a.m. to the time of service at the funeral home. Burial with Military Rites will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 50 East 91st Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240 www.alz.org/indiana or First Presbyterian Church, 1207 Conner Street, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Online condolences may be made at www.randallroberts.com.

### Jessica Rene Livengood

June 8, 1987 - July 23, 2022

Jessica Rene Livengood, 35, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at her home. She was born on June 8, 1987 in

Indianapolis, Indiana. Ms. Livengood was fun-loving, funny, and quite a character. She fought diabetes for 28 years. She was a spiritual person who loved the ocean and was an avid reader. Ms. Livengood enjoyed 4-wheeling.

She was a loving and caring person, but also ornery and

Survivors include her mother Colerinia McKinney; father Bryan Scot Livengood; two children Mariah Livengood and Aaliyah Lowe; two siblings Dezirue Sotomayor and Benjamin Woodward; nephew Liam Sotomayor; two nieces Lynnlee Pollitt and Lila Pollitt; uncle Brad Livengood; grandmother Betty Lockmiller; many aunts, uncles and cousins; and her significant other Nick Willing.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Christine McKinney and Virgil McKinney Sr.; uncle Virgil McKinney Jr.; aunt Nina Sue Phillips; and grandfather Robert James Livengood.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., with services scheduled to begin at 4 p.m., on Friday, July 29, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road in Fishers, with Leighanna Shoemaker officiating.

Online condolences may be made at www.randallroberts.com.

#### **Evelyn L. Roudebush** April 16, 1928 - July 22, 2022

Evelyn L. Roudebush, 94, Fishers, more recently of Carmel, passed away on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born on April 16, 1928 in

Kokomo, Indiana. Mrs. Roudebush was a secretary for small businesses most of her life. She and her husband, Ernie, owned Roudebush's Corner Restaurant on 116th and Allisonville in Fishers

in the late 50s and early 60s. She had a great sense of humor and was an avid reader. Mrs. Roudebush was a "Mom" to everyone and was a great cook and baker. She was a crafter and collected stuffed animals and jewelry. She loved to go to Walt Disney World and loved all things Disney. Mrs. Roudebush was a woman of faith and loved animals.

Survivors include her daughter Dana Rae Roudebush; sister Catherine Bolinger Dillman; four grandchildren Candace Roudebush Smith, Steve Kent (Courtney) Roudebush, Monika Eason-Carter and Chrissy Barker Gray; six great-grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father Floyd Randall; mother Melba (Hardin) Randall Bolinger; husband Ernest H. Roudebush Jr.; two sons Randall "Randy" E. Roudebush, and Kent H. Roudebush; and two sisters Betty Jo Grimes and Melba Ruth Cox.

An open house with light refreshments is scheduled to be held from 1-3 p.m., with a Celebration of Life scheduled to begin at 3 p.m., on Sunday, July 31, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville

Memorial contributions may be made to Good Samaritan Network, 12933 Parkside Drive, Fishers, IN 46038 (www.gsnlive.org).

Mrs. Roudebush was so grateful for all the people in

Online condolences may be made at www.randallroberts.com.

### Meeting Notices

### **Hamilton County Council Finance Committee**

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Finance Commit-

### Carmel Board of **Public Works**

The previously scheduled meeting of the City of Carmel Board of Public Works on Wednesday, August 3,

tee will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at Big Woods Hazel Dell, 14741 Hazel Dell Crossing, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of county finances.

2022 at 10 a.m. has been cancelled.

The next two meetings are scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 12 p.m. and Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at 10

# **They Defined Cuteness**



TIM TIMMONS **Two Cents** 

We often go over the things in this space that

seem wrong with the world, well, at least in one man's opinion. This week, please allow me to share a little bit about what's right.

Not too long ago, I had the distinct pleasure of watching two of our grandpups play in their first T-ball game at a church field in Fishers.

Let me 'fess up to start with. I'm about as biased as biased can be on this. Not only do I love my grandpups, but there is no sport in the world quite like baseball. Poems have been written about the greenest of green grasses that make up the field, about the brilliant blue skies overhead, the satisfying pop of ball into leather glove and the crisp crack of the wooden bat when it connects perfectly with

This game had none of

Well, OK, the grass was green and the sky blue. But that was about

Didn't matter.

I'm pretty sure if you looked up the definition of cute in your Funk & Wagnall, these kids would be there. For example, when the game ended the coaches tried to line up these 4- and 5-year-olds so they could shake hands or high five the other team. Yeah, right. These little guys and gals had no clue. Half of them put their left hand up in the air, palm outward and then walked by as the other team passed on their right.

If you're a baseball purist, you might not recognize the field. There are dots chalked into the infield and outfield. The dots represent zones, and when the team takes the field, each kid stands on a dot . . . sometimes even after the ball is hit. At other times, they might run to that same dot instead of first base after they hit the ball.

Innings did not consist of outs – thank goodness or otherwise we might still be there. Rather, every kid got to bat, and run the bases . . . sort of. When the ball was whacked off the tee, it was anyone's guess if six kids were going to dive for it, completely ignore it or, in a couple of instances, the batter fielded the ball and gave back to the coach.

For a little while, there wasn't inflation or gas prices or Democrats or Republicans. Just a bunch of little boys and girls of all sizes, shapes and



The Times photo by Tim Timmons

Sully – arm raised – and Sebastian weren't celebrating the game, but rather a snack.

colors, getting along, playing a game that dates back to the 1800s. They weren't staring at a screen - grass or butterflies maybe, but not screens. They were laughing, yawning, interested, distracted and all the things pre-schoolers do over the course of an hour. For a little while, just a little while, all was right with the world.

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically on Thursdays in The Times. Timmons is the chief executive officer of Sagamore News Media, the company that owns The Noblesville Times. He is also a proud Noblesville High School graduate and can be contacted at ttimmons@ thetimes24-7.com.

# Three Dog Bakery Celebrates Rescues with 'Dogust' Fundraising Promotion

Three Dog Bakery is helping rescue pup owners celebrate their furry family members and support area rescues and shelters with its annual DOGust offerings. DOGust 1 (or Aug. 1) is nationally recognized as the unofficial birthday celebration for all shelter dogs whose birthdays are unknown. Three Dog Bakery invites dog owners to support area rescues and shelters through the sale of a special bandana offered throughout the month and celebrate their rescue dogs by purchasing the bakery's ever-popular dog-friendly birthday cakes.

Established by the North Shore Animal League America in 2008, DOGust has expanded over the years with shelters, pet owners and animal lovers celebrating rescue pups and bringing more awareness to



rescue adoptions. Three Dog Bakery will donate proceeds from sales of a specialty bandana available throughout August to rescues and shelters in the communities it serves. They will also donate a large celebration bone cake to their local rescue for a small birthday party!

"Last year, our customers helped raise nearly \$16,000 for their local rescues and shelters by purchasing our DOGust bandana," said Ally Homa, Bakery Marketing Director. "We're excited to make this DOGust an incredible birthday cele-

bration for the dogs who have been fortunate to find their forever homes and those being graciously cared for at the rescues and shelters in their communities.'

In addition to the sale of the bandanas, dog bone cakes and 5-inch and 7-inch round cakes are available for pup parents to purchase at Three Dog Bakery locations. The cakes, which can be personalized, come in a variety of colors. Customers can also request grain-free birthday cakes for their best friends. They also carry accessories, toys,

party hats and more to round out their celebration offerings.

Visit www.threedog. com for contact information for area bakeries to learn more about specific offerings and availability.

Founded in 1989, Three Dog Bakery is America's original bakery for dogs. Headquartered in Kansas City, the company offers oven-baked treats and pastries for dogs in more than 50 retail bakeries nationwide, plus independent national pet and mass retailers. Crafted from scratch in small batches, the treats baked by Three Dog Bakery's pastry chefs use only simple, real ingredients to lock in the luscious flavors and nutrients dogs love. Since its founding, Three Dog Bakery has dedicated itself to feeding the souls of dogs and the people who love them. Visit threedog.com for more information.

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**⊃** Letters −

# Goodrich Offers Message This Fall Just in Time for School of Positivity, Appreciation

Dear Valued Clients, Vendors and Friends,

"As we have done since the outbreak of the COVID pandemic, you will be kept informed with a copy of our employee email that will be sent each month. Your relationship is important and know that transparency in what we are telling our employees is vital to all us moving in the same direction. Let's make 2022 the best year yet!"

My appreciation and thankfulness for each of you grows every day. It is inspiring to see the development of individuals fulfilling career goals, know we are providing consistent reliability at all our locations, and hear of the determination to overcome project challenges resulting from supply chain and inflation hindrances. Having developed our 'desired-results approach' to the day's work always keeps us moving toward solutions instead of getting bogged down by the challenges we face.

I have learned through my career not to say, "Well, things can't get any worse." That is not a door you want to

leave open. Challenges and problems left on their own can get worse. Instead, I love that as an organization we have the mindset to give our best effort every day to solve the problems and challenges of that day! We handle things as they come up, which sets us up to be able to change situations, so we get our desired results.

A big part of the reason we continue making progress is because we have HUSTLE! Just to be clear, the way we define HUSTLE has nothing to do with "rushing through" which can result in missing details. Just the opposite is true. HUSTLE in our organization has everything to do with demonstrating a "Get on It, Stay on It" team attitude. We are focused, intentional, and deliberate in our approach to our projects and in our departments. Our commitment to being effective and efficient in our actions enables us to overcome any challenge and meet our production

In so many areas of the country the harsh, intense weather conditions continues. This requires all of us to be vigilant to stay aware of extreme heat effects. **HUSTLE** is the exact attitude for us to have when dealing with the heat. Like other project challenges, extreme heat effects should not and cannot be ignored. If left unattended, effects can worsen. Just like with other challenges, quickly take action to eliminate the problems extreme heat conditions can produce. Staying hydrated is vital and as much as possible, avoid extended periods of time in the direct sun. Be intentional and focused to apply safe work habits... which is showing genuine care for people. Your good health is vitally important!

As we close out July, we move right into the traditionally hottest month of year, August. HUSTLE is the perfect attitude for us to carry out our responsibilities each day...Get on It and Stay on It! We have a great team of professionals, which includes our clients and vendor partners. We have the reliable resources, outcomes, and insights to be the highest performing national contractor of excellence!

Stay safe and take [genuine] care of each other.

Chuck Goodrich

# **CPA Preschooler Concerts Return**

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Families can introduce young children to the joy of live performance through the Center for the Performing Arts' Faegre Drinker Peanut Butter & Jam series, which begins a new season Sept. 24.

With fun and informal sessions designed specifically for ages 1-7, Faegre Drinker PB&J typically takes place one Saturday each month from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., in the Palladium's Robert Adam Room or across Carter Green in the Studio Theater. Tickets are only \$10 per child, which includes the option of two free adult admissions upon request, creating an affordable weekend outing for families.

This season's events include:

#### 1. Farmer Jason • 10:30 a.m. on Sept.

24 • The Palladium -

Robert Adam Room Emmy and Parents'

Choice Award winner Farmer Jason makes his PB&J debut with a highly interactive concert about farm life and nature appreciation. From the Kennedy Center to schools in the Australian Outback, Farmer Jason has entertained families while inspiring them to get outdoors and have fun enjoying nature. Farmer Jason is the brainchild of singer-songwriter Jason Ringenberg, leader of roots-rock band Jason and the Scorchers.

#### 2. Dorin

• 10:30 a.m. on Oct.

• The Palladium -Robert Adam Room

• Blending bubblegum pop and indie rock, local band Dorin brings you upbeat tunes and punchy lyrics for an engaging experience the whole family will enjoy! Sing and dance along to original songs like "Pasta Dinner," "Sunny Sunday" and "Robot" from the band's two albums: Do You Dream of Me? and Candy for Breakfast.

### 3. Yurtfolk

• 10:30 a.m. on Nov.

 The Palladium – Robert Adam Room

 Join musical duo Yurtfolk to explore music, stories and folk dance from around the world.

We'll sing in different languages and get on our feet to dance! We'll also learn about some very unusual musical

#### instruments. 4. Melchior **Marionettes: Holiday Cabaret on Strings**

• 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 10 • The Studio Theater

 Back by popular demand! Join us for a fast-paced, entertaining cabaret of handcrafted marionettes. Children and adults will delight in the hilarious antics of the characters and the skill of the puppeteers. Everyone will want to sing along with the holiday classics and favorites.

### 5. Silly Safaris: **Animals of the North**

• 10:30 a.m. on Jan. 7, 2023

• The Studio Theater

 Meet Jingle John, a reindeer herder from the Scandinavian Sami culture, as he introduces us to amazing animals of the Arctic Circle, one of the coldest, harshest environments on the planet. Technically, it is a giant frozen desert, and the animals that live there have specific adaptations for survival. He'll bring mammals, reptiles, a bird and, of course, bugs to demonstrate life at the pole -- including a real live reindeer!

#### 6. Feller Express **Dinosaurs**

• 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Feb. 25, 2023 • The Studio Theater

• An encounter 65 million years in the making, Feller

Express presents lifelike dinosaur costumes and puppets. Kids can help the rangers feed the adorable baby dinosaurs, enjoy interactive songs and stories, and dance with their adolescent Tyrannosaurus rex and Triceratops. It's a totally RAWR-some time!

7. Indy Opera: The **Monon Town Musicians** 

• 10:30 a.m. on March 25, 2023

• The Palladium -Robert Adam Room

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• Loosely based on a Brothers Grimm fairy tale, four wandering animals set out individually to become solo musicians in a nearby talent show. Upon meeting, the animals discover to their surprise that, although they differ on what they prefer to sing, they are even stronger as a group, differences and all! This performance is presented by the Education & Community Engagement department of the

### 8. Folk Music with Cindy Kallet & Grey Larsen

Indianapolis Opera.

• 10:30 a.m. on April 29, 2023 • The Palladium -

Robert Adam Room

 Cindy Kallet and Grey Larsen love to share southern Indiana fiddle tunes, Irish jigs and reels, Scandinavian-style fiddle duets and original songs with audiences of all ages. There will be plenty of chances to sing and clap along, and children will be welcome to have a closer look and try out a variety of instruments toward the end of the program. (Have you ever played a harmonium or a concertina?!)

### 9. Jazz Violinist Cathy

• 10:30 a.m. on May 20, 2023 • The Palladium -

Robert Adam Room • Listen, learn,

pantomime, and dance with violin lady Cathy Morris and her high-energy musical adventures. She'll play musical styles from around the world using acoustic and electric violins. Learn about cultures, languages, people and O Pato the duck while dancing and singing along – a fun and humorous presentation for all ages! Morris has performed with many nationally known artists, including Chuck Mangione, George Benson, Burt Bacharach and Spyro Gyra.

### Meeting Notes **Carmel Board**

### of Public Works and Safety Meeting Agenda

Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 12 p.m. Council Chambers City

Hall, One Civic Square 1. Meeting Called to Order 2. Minutes

A. Minutes from the

3. Bid/Quote Openings

July 20, 2022, Regular Meeting

and Awards A. Bid Award for Street Department Project 22-STR-06 -Road Rejuvenation; Lee Higginbotham, Street

Commissioner 4. Contracts

A. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Candy Martin; (\$1,800.00); Agreement for Services; Advisor for the Carmel Mayor's Youth Council; James Brainard, Mayor

B. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; ERMCO, Inc.; (\$1,880.00); Provide / **Install Tray Including Spill** Out and Brackets; Carmel Data Center Project; CO #2; James Crider, Director of Administration

C. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Frederick's, Inc.; (\$2,125.00); Install Keypad Rough-in / Install Two Fire Alarm Strobe Rough-ins / Provide CT Cabinet for Electrical Service; Carmel Data Center Project; CO #2; James Crider, Director of Administration D. Request for

Purchase of Goods and Services; GovernmentJobs. com, Inc. d/b/a NEOGov; (\$129,506.10); Learn and Perform Platforms; Lisa Hartz, Director of Human Resources

E. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; LITHKO Restoration Technologies, LLC; (\$1,122,577.99); Sophia Square Waterproofing; Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner

F. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Nelson Alarm Company; (\$1,050.00); City Monitoring; **Additional Services** Amendment #2; Timothy Renick, Director of Information and

**Communication Systems** G. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Ott Equipment Service, Inc.; (\$54,842.00); 22-STR-07 - Portable Truck Lifts - Rotary Column Lifts;

Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner

H. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Scat, Inc.; (\$3,020.00); Pest Control Quarterly Service - All Stations + CTC; Chief David Haboush, Carmel Fire Department

5. Request to Use City Streets/Property

A. Request to Use Midtown Plaza; Shred415 Outdoor Workout; August 17, 2022; 5-7:00 p.m.; Jennifer Wilkins

6. Other

A. Resolution BPW 07-28-22-01; A Resolution of the City of Carmel **Board of Public Works** and Safety Designating and Approving the Placement of "No Parking or Idling" Signs on Certain City Streets within Proximity of School Property; Jeremy

Kashman, City Engineer B. Resolution BPW 07-28-22-02; A Resolution of the City of Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety Approving the Appointment of the Police Chief's Executive Assistants; Lieutenants Brady Myers, Dwight Frost, Charlie Harting, Ryan Jellison, and Shane Collins; Interim Chief James Barlow, Carmel

Police Department 7. Adjournment



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# **Colts Head Team Physician Thomas Klootwyk Steps Down After More Than Two Decades with Team**

After 23 years spent assisting with and directing the medical care of the Indianapolis Colts, the team announces current head team physician Dr. Thomas Klootwyk will be stepping down from the

Klootwyk, a fellowship-trained orthopedic specialist at Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics, previously known as Methodist Sports Medicine, joined the Colts in 1999 - the start of a partnership that spanned more than two decades and included hundreds of injuries treated.

"Dr. Klootwyk's leadership and guidance guaranteed our players were in the best possible hands – on and off the field, on game day and throughout the year," said Jim Irsay, Colts owner and CEO. "We couldn't be more grateful for his service, professionalism and friendship over the last two decades."

After first serving as an orthopedic consultant and associate team physician, Klootwyk was named the Colts' head team physician following the retirement of longtime physician Dr. Arthur Rettig in 2017. Under Klootwyk's leadership, the Colts' lineup of sports medicine and other medical specialists continued a long-standing tradition of keeping players safe, and in the event of injury, providing the highest quality of care to get them back to what they do best.

While individual season highlights include two Super Bowl runs, Klootwyk



Thomas Klootwyk

says the overall highlight of his experience involves friendships built over two decades. "When I look back, the relationships I've made are more of a highlight than any one season or achievement," said Klootwyk.

"I would like to thank Jim Irsay, the entire Irsay family, the trainers, the coaching staff, the man-

agement staff and most of all, the players for placing their trust in us. It has been my honor and privilege to represent the Colts franchise as head team physician.'

While he will no longer lead the sports medicine roster, Klootwyk will continue to serve the Colts as a team consultant. He will also continue to treat patients at Forté's clinics in Carmel and Greenwood. The search for the Colts' new head team physician is complete, and a formal announcement is expected prior to the team's first pre-season matchup against the Buffalo Bills on August 13.

More information about Forté Sports Medicine and Orthopedics is available at forteortho.com.

#### interested in participating in the meeting must email a request for the dial in number, meeting ID, and meeting password at least 8 hours before the meeting begins to the email address ajacobsen@gonha.org. Persons requiring special accommodations should contact Aimee Jacobsen at ajacobsen@gonha.org or (317) 773-5110 ext. 4, before 4 p.m. the day before the scheduled meeting.

ville, IN 46060. Anyone

### Meeting Notes

Meeting Notice

**Noblesville** 

Housing Authority Board of Com-

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meeting has been resched-

uled to Thursday, July 28

at 6 p.m. The meeting will

be held Via ZOOM and in

person at the Noblesville

320 Kings Lane, Nobles-

Housing Authority office,

missioners July regular

The Noblesville Housing

### **Carmel Common** Council

Meeting Agenda Monday, August 1, 2022 at 6 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall, One Civic Square

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Agenda Approval 3. Invocation
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance 5. Recognition of City
- Employees and Outstanding Citizens 6. Recognition of Per-
- sons Who Wish to Address the Council 7. Council and Mayoral
- Comments/Observations 8. Consent Agenda
- A. Approval of Minutes i. July 18, 2022 Regu-
- lar Meeting B. Claims
- i. Payroll -\$3,267,051.37
- ii. General Claims -
- \$3,153,800.91 iii. Retirement -
- \$101,297.76 9. Action on Mayoral
- Vetoes 10. Committee Reports
- A. Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee B. Land Use and Spe-
- cial Studies Committee C. All reports designated by the Chair to qualify for placement under this
- 11. Other Reports (at the first meeting of the month specified below):

category.

- A. Carmel Redevelopment Commission (Month-B. Carmel Historic
- **Preservation Commission** (Quarterly - January, April, July, October) C. Audit Committee
- (Bi-annual May, Octo-D. Redevelopment Au thority (Bi-annual - April,
- October) E. Carmel Cable and Telecommunications Com-
- mission (Bi-annual April, October) F. Economic Development Commission (Bi-an-
- nual February, August) G. Library Board (Annual - February) H. Ethics Board (Annu-
- al February)
- I. Public Art Committee (Annual – August) J. Parks Department (Quarterly – February,
- May, August, November) K. All reports designated by the Chair to qualify for placement under this

category.

Date).

- 12. Old Business A. Resolution CC-04-18-22-01: A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Adopting the Carmel Comprehensive Plan; Sponsor: Councilor Rider. Remains in the Land Use and Special Studies Committee (8/8/22 Meeting
- reformats the Comprehen-

i. Synopsis: This

resolution updates and

#### B. Resolution CC-06-20-22-02: A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Adopting the Carmel Climate Action Plan; Sponsor(s): Councilor(s) Aasen, Campbell, Nelson and Hannon. Remains in the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee (7/27/22 Meeting Date).

- ii. Synopsis: Adopts the Carmel Climate Action Plan, which sets greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets and provides strategies to reduce emissions for government services and operations as well as the community as a
- 13. Public Hearings A. First Reading of Ordinance D-2630-22; An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Authorizing and Approving an Additional Appropriation of Funds from the Operating Balance of the General Fund to the 2022 Department of Community Services Budget; Sponsor: Councilor Worrell.
- i. Synopsis: Appropriates funds received from the Hamilton County Recorder's Office for lien payments that were deposited into the General Fund into the 2022 Department of Community Services ("DOCS") budget. 14. New Business
- A. Resolution CC-08-01-22-02: A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Approving the Acquisition of Real Property by the Carmel Redevelopment Commission; Sponsor: Councilor Worrell.
- i. **Synopsis:** Approv the expenditure of up to Three Million Dollars by the Carmel Redevelopment Commission from the 2021 Redevelopment District Bond for the purchase of seven parcels of real property related to a proposed redevelopment project.
- B. Resolution CC-08-01-22-01: A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Establishment of the Flora Economic Development Area; Sponsor: Councilor Worrell.

ii. Synopsis: Resolu-

tion approves the establish-

- ment of the Flora Economic Development Area and Allocation Area and related economic development plan and Plan Commission resolution. 15. Agenda Add-On Items
- 16. Other Business A. City Council Ap-
- pointments i. Carmel Audit
- Committee (Term Expires 1/1/24, two-year term); One appointment. 17. Announcements
- 18. Adjournment

### Rep. Spartz: President **Biden Has Duty to Lead -**Stakes in Ukraine Too High

On Tuesday, Congresswoman Spartz sent a letter to President Biden to bring attention to recent developments in Ukraine, including additional concerns surrounding Ukrainian President Zelensky's Chief of Staff, Andriy Yermak. Congresswoman Spartz urged the Biden Administration to establish a Joint Task Force within the Department of Defense to implement a coherent strategy, proper oversight of critical infrastructure, and streamlined logistics of lethal aid.

This letter is a follow up to Congresswoman Spartz's letter to the Biden Administration on July 8, where she requested the Biden Administration brief Congress on Andriy Yermak, Ukrainian President Zelensky's Chief of Staff.

The lack of appointment of an anti-corruption pros-



Congresswoman Victoria Spartz ecutor, concerns raised by our military personnel and defense contractors, as well as some NATO allies, raise national security concerns and require proper attention from the Biden

Administration. Visit https://spartz. house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/spartz.house.gov/ files/evo-media-document/ BidenLetter\_7.26.pdf to read the full letter from Congresswoman Spartz.

### **Indiana Forage Council to Host Inaugural Hoosier Hay Contest** The Indiana Forage can then work together to

Council (IFC), with assistance from Purdue Extension and SureTech Laboratories, is hosting a contest for Indiana producers who will harvest forage for hay or baleage for the 2022 hay season.

The Hoosier Hay Contest, sponsored by Huston Inc., seeks to promote forage production, inform hay producers on the nutritive value of their hay and encourage producers to sample and test their hay or baleage before feeding it to livestock. The event also creates a friendly competition among Indiana producers on who produces higher-quality hay.

SureTech Laboratories in Indianapolis will analyze all samples and release them to the contest organizer, producer and producer's local Purdue Extension agriculture and natural resources educator. The Purdue Extension educator and producer

interpret the analysis and determine how best to use the forage in the producers' operation.

The Hoosier Hay contest has two categories: hay or baleage. Prize money will go to first-, second- and third-place entries in both categories. First place will receive \$250 and a one-year membership to IFC, second place \$150 and third place Winners will be recog-

nized at the annual IFC meeting and on the IFC website. The cost to participate is \$10 per sample with the contest being limited to 100 samples. Entries must be received by Sure Tech Labs and the Indiana Forage Council by Sept. 30.

Rules and entry forms can be found at online at https://indianaforage.wordpress. com/2022/07/15/2022hoosier-hay-contest/

### Meeting Notes

### **Carmel Board** of Public Works

and Safety Meeting Agenda Thursday, July 28, 2022

at 12 p.m. Council Chambers City Hall, One Civic Square

1. Meeting Called to Order 2. Minutes

A. Minutes from the

July 20, 2022, Regular Meeting 3. Bid/Quote Openings

A. Bid Award for

Street Department Project 22-STR-06 - Road Rejuvenation; Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner 4. Contracts

A. Request for Purchase of Goods and

and Awards

Services; Candy Martin; (\$1,800.00); Agreement for Services; Advisor for the Carmel Mayor's Youth Council; James Brainard,

B. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; ERMCO, Inc.; (\$1,880.00); Provide / Install Tray Including Spill Out and Brackets; Carmel Data Center Project; CO

#2; James Crider, Director of Administration C. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Frederick's, Inc.; (\$2,125.00); Install Keypad Rough-in / Install Two Fire Alarm Strobe Rough-ins / Provide CT Cabinet for Electrical Service; Carmel Data

Administration D. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; GovernmentJobs. com, Inc. d/b/a NEOGov; (\$129,506.10); Learn and Perform Platforms; Lisa Hartz, Director of Human

Center Project; CO #2;

James Crider, Director of

E. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; LITHKO Resto-

Resources

ration Technologies, LLC; (\$1,122,577.99); Sophia Square Waterproofing;

Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner F. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Nelson Alarm Company; (\$1,050.00); City Monitoring; Additional Services Amendment

#2; Timothy Renick, Director of Information and **Communication Systems** G. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Ott Equipment Service, Inc.; (\$54,842.00); 22-STR-07 - Portable Truck Lifts

Lee Higginbotham, Street Commissioner H. Request for Purchase of Goods and Services; Scat, Inc.; (\$3,020.00); Pest Control - Quarterly Service - All Stations + CTC; Chief David Haboush, Carmel

- Rotary Column Lifts;

Fire Department 5. Request to Use City

Streets/Property A. Request to Use Midtown Plaza; Shred415 Outdoor Workout; August 17, 2022; 5-7:00 p.m.;

Jennifer Wilkins 6. Other A. Resolution BPW

07-28-22-01; A Resolution of the City of Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety Designating and Approving the Placement of "No Parking or Idling" Signs on Certain City Streets within Proximity of School Property; Jeremy Kashman, City Engineer B. Resolution BPW 07-

28-22-02: A Resolution of the City of Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety Approving the Appointment of the Police Chief's Executive Assistants; Lieutenants Brady Myers, Dwight Frost, Charlie Harting, Ryan Jellison, and Shane Collins; Interim Chief James Barlow, Carmel Police Department

7. Adjournment

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### Give Blood, Get a Chance to Win Free Gas for One Year

Just as most cars need to be refueled constantly, so does the nation's blood supply. The American Red Cross has faced a concerning drop in blood donations this summer. Donors are needed to make an appointment to give in August to help prevent a blood shortage.

The decline in donations has caused the Red Cross blood supply to shrink nearly 20% in recent weeks. The availability of blood products will continue to decline if donations do not increase. People should not wait until they hear there is a blood shortage to give. Type O negative blood donors especially needed

"This is a concerning trend that may soon make it tougher to keep blood products stocked on hospital shelves," said Paul Sullivan, Red Cross senior vice president of donor services. "By choosing a time to give now, donors can help pump up the blood supply for those in immediate need of lifesaving care and those who rely on transfusions for treatment."

Donors can schedule an appointment to donate using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, by visiting RedCrossBlood. org or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

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American Red Cross

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to wear a mask for any

reason. The Red Cross will also adhere to more stringent face mask requirements per state and/or local guidance, or at the request of blood drive sponsors. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at a drive.

How to donate blood: Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All

ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

blood types are needed to

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving

at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood. org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App. The American Red

Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members and their families. The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or Cruz-RojaAmericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @ RedCross.

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# Indiana Right to Life General Counsel Calls SB 1 'Wolf in Sheep's Clothing'

Indiana Right to Life General Counsel Courtney Turner Milbank testified on Tuesday before the Indiana Senate Rules Committee about proposed Senate Bill 1. Milbank referred to the bill as a "wolf in sheep's clothing' and reiterated IRTL's opposition to the bill with

specific details.

"In general, SB 1 is an abject failure in achieving the pro-life movement's goal of extending substantial protection to innocent unborn life now that authority has been returned to Indiana by the U.S. Supreme Court's overturning of Roe and Casey in Dobbs," said Milbank.

In her written testimony, Milbank laid out in detail where IRTL saw problems with the proposed bill. Those problems included:

• SB 1 removes all criminal penalties from, and provides complete immunity for, abortions consented to by the pregnant woman, except for partial birth abortions,

D&E abortions, and abortions performed without informed consent.

• SB 1 eliminates the legal requirement for the consent of pregnant woman for an abortion if it is necessary to save her life.

• SB 1 explicitly recognizes, and legalizes and facilitates, chemical abortion clinics flourishing throughout Indiana by authorizing abortion drugs to be used in Indiana and by facilitating their use through licensing current and future chemical abortion clinics throughout the state.

"While billed as pro-

hibiting abortion except to save the mother's life and for rape or incest," said Milbank in her testimony before the Senate Rules Committee, "SB 1 utterly fails to limit abortions to even the exceptions that it purports to find acceptable, due to numerous and pervasive legal flaws and omissions. If adopted, SB 1 would result in the continuation of abortion on demand throughout

pregnancy in Indiana. As a result, IRTL opposes the adoption of SB 1."

Milbank further explained that the deficiencies in SB 1 were the "inevitable result of its formulation process," which included no local, state, or national prolife organization or any expert pro-life lawyer, and was instead drafted based on the advice of pro-choice advocates, using language suggested from groups such as ACOG, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, which is one of the foremost pro-choice advocacy groups in the nation.

"SB 1 is a wolf in sheep's clothing, protecting abortion on demand by defective language, lack of necessary safeguards, and lack of an effective enforcement mechanism, while parading as a pro-life measure. IRTL opposes SB 1 and urges the Senate to pass truly pro-life legislation to protect the unborn," Milbank said.

# Sen. Braun, Colleagues Introduce Bill to Maximize Americans' Retirement Funds

This past Tuesday, Senators Mike Braun, Richard Burr (R-N.C.), Tommy Tuberville (R-AL), Cynthia Lummis (R-WY), Roger Marshall (R-KS), Roger Wicker (R-MS), Steve Daines (R-MT), and Jim Inhofe (R-OK) introduced legislation to build a stronger retirement system for Americans by clarifying the fiduciary duty of plan administrators to select and maintain investments based solely on financial factors. Recently, the Biden Administration Department of Labor proposed a rule that would essentially coerce workers and businesses into supporting corporations deemed "woke" through ESG (environmental, social and governance)

funds.

A number of studies have shown that ESG investing policies have worse rates of return. In comparison to other investment plans, ESG investors generally end up paying higher costs for worse performances.

Sen. Mike Braun said. "At a time when energy costs are soaring and Hoosiers are grappling with record high inflation, Democrats are politicizing American retirement funds and targeting companies that invest in energy sources that could help alleviate these soaring costs. The Biden Administration should not be sacrificing the retirement savings of thousands of individuals to promote liberal policy objectives."

Sen. Tommy Tuberville commented, saying "When retirement savers use financial advisors with a fiduciary responsibility to invest their money, they should be confident that their economic best interests are their asset manager's top priority. Unfortunately, investment managers are increasingly being pressured by the left to factor in companies' environmental, social, and corporate governance practices into investment decisions. This bill protects investors by ensuring investment managers only consider financial risk and return when investing on behalf of Americans



Senator Mike Braun

saving for retirement. It's my hope that Americans, who are already struggling with inflation's negative impact on their investment accounts, will be protected from fiduciaries investing their money in ways that are not financially beneficial to them."

Sen. Cynthia Lummis

offered her thoughts, saying, "Retirement funds should be invested based on their long-term fiscal performance, not based on the political and social whims of the day. Employees in Wyoming are working hard, and they want to know that their investments are financially sound. They are focused on being able to retire and provide for their families, not on if their investments are woke or popular. The Biden administration should put more effort into righting our economy instead of bowing to progressive pressure.

Sen. Roger Marshall said, "Inflation is already crushing Kansans' hardearned retirement savings. This is largely driven by the Democrats' out-of-control spending and drastically increased energy costs. The Biden Administration is now looking to further advance their war against American energy by forcing companies to make extreme commitments to climate change and social justice to be eligible for investments. I hear all the time how these radical policies are harming Kansas energy producers ability to gain access to capital and they will diminish the value of Kansans investment funds. I'm pleased to join Sen. Braun to fight back

harmful policy."
Sen. Roger Wicker
commented, saying, "Most

against this misguided and

Americans trust their retirement plan administrators to look out for them and maximize their return on investments, but recent moves by the Biden Administration threaten to upend this longstanding system in favor of "woke" activism. Retirement accounts should be off-limits to the President's politics."

Sen. Steve Daines chipped in as well, offering this comment: "Montanans' don't want to see woke CEOs play politics with their hard-earned retirement savings. Congress must ensure that folks' retirement funds are being invested responsibly – not at the whim of President Biden's far-Left agenda."

Sen. Jim Inhofe said, 'Oklahomans are suffering the consequences of the Biden administration's far-left policies. Even as we deal with record-high inflation, this administration continues to push for more extreme spending and radical policies that will only make the damage worse. They've proposed a rule that could coerce workers and businesses into supporting organizations that promote these radical ideologies, putting American retirement accounts at risk in the process. That's why I am glad to join Sen. Braun in introducing legislation to protect our retirement system and ensure it is not undermined through outlandish rules like this.'

What the Maximize Americans' Retirement Security Act does:

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Security Act (ERISA) to require plan fiduciaries to select investments solely on pecuniary factors.
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not distinguish between investments on pecuniary factors alone they may use non-pecuniary factors, but must provide participants reasoning for their decision.

 Pecuniary factors are defined as any factors that a fiduciary prudently determines is expected to have a material effect on the risk or return of an investment.

# Lawsuit Filed Over Threat to Tie Assistance to Schools' Transgender Policies



Attorney General Todd Rokita

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is co-leading a 22-state lawsuit against the Biden administration over its demands that schools march lockstep with leftist transgender policies as part of qualifying to receive nutritional assistance.

"We all know the Biden administration is dead-set on imposing an extreme left-wing agenda on Americans nationwide," Rokita said. "But they've reached a new level of shamelessness with this ploy of holding up food assistance for low-income kids unless schools do the left's bidding."

The lawsuit, co-led by Tennessee Attorney General Herbert H. Slatery III, specifically names the U.S. Department of Agriculture as defendant. On May 5, the USDA's Food and Nutrition Services issued guidance to Indiana and other states announcing that discrimination on the basis of sex in Title IX and the Food and Nutrition Act includes discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity.

This new guidance has jeopardized states' Title IX and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program school lunch funding.

In the lawsuit, the attorneys general argue the US-DA's guidance is unlawful for several reasons — including that states never had opportunity for input on such a policy change and that the guidance is based on a misapplication of U.S. Supreme Court precedents.

The Biden administration's actions will inevitably result in regulatory chaos that threatens essential nutritional services to some of Indiana's most vulnerable citizens.

The National School Lunch Program services nearly 30 million schoolchildren each day, many who rely on it for breakfast, lunch, or both. Approximately 100,000 public and non-profit private schools and residential childcare institutions receive federal funding to provide subsidized free or reduced-price meals for qualifying children.

Prior to this lawsuit, Rokita and 25 other attorneys general signed a letter to President Biden expressing their concerns.

Earlier this month, Rokita won a legal battle over transgender extremism on another front as a U.S. district court barred the Biden administration from enforcing federal "guidance" to coerce schools and employers to kowtow to transgender extremism.

And Rokita continues to defend a new Indiana law protecting girls' sports against a baseless lawsuit filed by the leftist American Civil Liberties Union.

"We are fighting for Hoosier common sense and the rule of law wherever they come under challenge," Rokita said. "And we will continue doing the work that the people of Indiana elected us to do."

# **New Social Media Tools Help Public Assess Viral Posts, Check for Bots**

The Observatory on Social Media, or OSoMe, at Indiana University has launched three new or revamped no-cost research tools to give journalists, other researchers and the public a broad view of what's happening on social media.

media.

The tools help overcome some of the biggest challenges of interpreting information flow online, which is often difficult to understand because it's so fast-paced and experienced from the perspective of an individual account's newsfeed. It can also be influenced by bots and other programs, distorting the picture of what is actually going on

going on. "You often hear something is going viral, but how?" said Filippo Menczer, director of OSoMe and Luddy Distinguished Professor of Computer Science and Informatics in the IU Luddy School of Informatics, Computing and Engineering. "Our tools show you what the conversation is, who the players are, what the viral messages are, and you can even visualize polarization. It provides a place for exploration of topics and how they work together."

• The Networks Tool, which has recently been updated, creates an interactive map (now in 3D) to explore how information spreads across Twitter. Users can visualize who

is retweeting or mentioning whom on a particular topic, or which hashtags are being used with other hashtags, and all data can now be exported. Using the tool, researchers, educators, journalists and the general public can see, at a glance, the complex networks that drive our online experience.

• The Trends Tool helps users analyze the volume of tweets within a given hashtag, URL or keyword over a given period of time. This tool shows which topics are trending and what is going viral. It can be particularly valuable to brands and businesses to see if their associated hashtags are trending, and users can even look up stock ticker symbols to see which stocks people are talking about.

• The new BotAmp Tool enables users to pinpoint likely bot activity for tweets filtered by a search term. BotAmp is built upon the foundation of Botometer, a popular bot detection system developed by OSoMe, and is designed to help journalists understand whether something is being falsely amplified by bots or not. "We run a very fast

algorithm called BotometerLite that looks at an account profile and gives a score based on that profile," said Kai-Cheng Yang, a Ph.D. student at OSoMe who designed



BotAmp. "A high score means the profile is likely automated, and a low score indicates the profile is likely human.

"We can't tell for sure if it is a bot, but we can tell if it looks very similar to one. We then look at the distribution of the scores of the profiles involved in the tweets that match the search term. BotAmp performs a statistical analysis to determine if the activity is likely amplified by automated accounts, compared to a baseline."

OSoMe's tools leverage a huge stream of data -- roughly 50 million tweets a day -- collected from Twitter. It equates to roughly 10 percent of public tweets, which are then analyzed and indexed for use through these tools.

Users can visualize data from any given month from the previous three years. Most tools don't allow users to go back as far, Menczer said.

"There's always a lot of debate about what's going on online," he said. "These tools are meant to help the public study these things and see for themselves."



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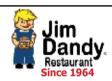


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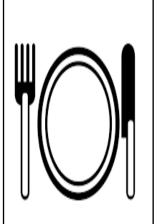
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### **UBETSY** From Page A1



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The cast of "30 Reasons Not To Be in a Play" rehearses for the summer youth production at Basile Westfield Playhouse, readying for opening night tonight.

summer youth productions are musicals, especially since they do lend themselves better to larger casts. "Not all students are as gifted musically but still want that summer theater opportunity. This provides that," she said.

2) Musicals are far more complicated and expensive to produce.

3) Since a lot of the students who want to appear in a summer show have other obligations with family and other activities throughout the summer, this gives them a better chance of being able to be involved, Haas said.

"It's far simpler to provide the blocking for a play to an actor who has to miss a week of rehearsals because of a family trip than it is to catch them up on choreography," she said. "It also means less adult volunteers have to be involved in the show, and finding adult help in the summer

can also be very tricky." So back to finding the play. She said, "I came across the show, and it checked all of the boxes I was looking for. Not knowing how many kids I might have audition makes it tricky to plan for a show and keep my nocut policy."

The show, "30 Reasons Not To be in a Play," Haas said, was written in such a way that it allowed for a cast of 10 or a cast of 30 because there are over 100 individual characters throughout the show that could be mixed and matched to the cast.

The show is also "very funny," she said. "I am primarily a comedic actress myself, so it's more of my strong suit."

Haas also thinks that, in general, "kids just prefer to be funny, especially when they're taking part in an activity for, well, fun."

She could visualize the play being performed on stage at the previous Playhouse in Eagletown, so she submitted the play, and it was accepted.

Then 2020 hit, and there was no way to safely produce the show, she said.

The theater, that summer, decided to do a youth production that was all monologues so it could be rehearsed online and staged in a socially distant way and with masks.

Haas wasn't interested in directing that show but

was asked to be the one adult cast member in the show. "The Monologue Show" was the first show presented in the new Westfield Playhouse in August 2020, under careful supervision and safety precautions, she said. For 2021, another youth show had already been submitted and accepted for "Meet Me in St. Louis," so Haas was asked to move her show to this summer, and she gladly

The 19 actors range in age from 7-18. While most members of the cast have previous acting experience, there are five younger members who are celebrating their first time on stage.

accepted.

"Because there are so many characters in the show, I set about the very challenging task of dividing up the characters by difficulty level based on age and experience levels. Those who are on stage for the first time have only 10-12 lines of dialogue to memorize, though they are on stage doing 'bits' in many scenes, as well," she said. "The more experienced actors were given more complicated roles or more ment, she was a teacher

characters to cover. Eventually, I feel like I found a perfect balance for the cast I had.

Kid shows often have siblings involved. In this show, four groups of siblings are in the play, three brothers, a brother and a sister, and two sets of sisters. Haas said those who have no stage experience help each other. And older members of the cast are encouraging and helpful, as well.

"30 Reasons" is Haas' ninth full-length youth production to direct. She was the drama teacher at Midwest Academy for a couple of years and directed the Academy's musicals for six years. She directed two Rising Star productions at Carmel Community Players, including this year's "A Medley of Murders," and will be directing CCP's Rising Star production in summer 2023.

Directing youth is something that she just loves. "I have always enjoyed working with children of all ages," Haas said. While she has a college degree in Psychology and a concentration in Child Develop-

### Want TO GO?

What: Main Street Productions presents "30 Reasons" Not To Be in a Play," a summer youth production. When: Opens today and continues through Aug. 7. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, with Sunday shows at 2:30 p.m.

Where: Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St.,

**How much:** \$17, ages 18 and older; \$15, ages 62 and older and students with ID; free to active military and vets with ID.

**Upcoming:** Auditions, for ages 18 and older, for "The Curious Savage" are 7-9 p.m. Sunday and Monday. Info or reservations: https://www.westfieldplayhouse.

### Meet the CREW

Director, Tanya Haas, Carmel; producer, Tom Smith, Westfield; light design, Eric Matters, New Palestine; sound design, Tanya Haas; light and sound operator, Nora Coon, Westfield; set construction and decoration, Tanya Haas, Tom Smith and Jen Otterman.

### Meet the **CAST**

Harrison Coon, Ella Crites, Clayton Crocker, Livy Crocker, Westfield; Blake Fortier; Dylan Fortier Westfield, Sammy Geis, Westfield; Mia Gordon, Noblesville; Neil Hackman, Carmel; Isabella Hasseld, Westfield; Owen Hilger, Noblesville; Anastasia Hobbs, Fishers; Tatyana Hobbs, Fishers; Mason Yeater, Owen Yeater and Quinn Yeater, all of Cicero.

for many years. She has raised six children, four biological and two by taking guardianship. Two are interested in theater, daughter Kelly, who is in her 20s, and son, Charlie, readying to turn 18, who had a band camp conflict that prevented him from being in the show.

She currently enjoys being a stay-a-home mom but uses time for volunteer work and to spend time with her older kids.

Haas attributes her ease at being in charge, as a director, to having both of her parents as teachers.

She communicates with the cast members at their level. "I speak to the teenagers as equals, and the younger children I try to encourage and use my 'mom voice' to let them know they are doing a great job.

Haas, who is on the CCP board of directors, is involved with Basile Westfield Playhouse mostly because she has a lot of friends on the board.

While she has acted in

four productions at Basile Westfield Playhouse, this is her first time to direct

"I love being involved in theater because I meet so many amazing people through the productions ... I enjoy the challenge of creating a character and bringing it to life."

She gets a satisfaction from watching young actors discover their own talents and "seeing them get that rush from being on stage and the joy when they hear the applause.

Haas said kids involved in theater gives students a leg up as it builds poise, confidence and the ability to present in front of a group.

What will audiences like about this show? "This show is just plain silly," she said. People who participate in theater will recognize some of the "Reasons" for not being in a play. Haas said, "I find reasons to laugh at every rehearsal."

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### **U** BASH

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# Did You Know?

- Kosciusko County was formed in 1836 and was named after the Polish general Tadeusz Kosciuszko who served in the American Revolutionary War and then returned to Poland
- The population in 2010 was 77,358 with 13,559 residing in the county seat, Warsaw
- Warsaw, named after the capital of Poland in tribute to Tadeusz Kosciuszko, platted on October 21, 1836. Warsaw's post office was established in 1837.
- According to the 2010 census, the county has a total area of 554.39 sq mi square miles

# Got Words?

Located in the northern part of the state, Kosciusko County is close by to one of the largest cities in the state, Fort Wayne. How do you think this location might impact the people who live and work in Kosciusko County?

# Stumpers

- 1. What percentage of people live in Warsaw?
  - 2. How old is Kosciusko County?
- 3. How many live in the county, but not in Vincennes?
- 4. What is the population density of the county?

3. 63,799 People 4. 144/ sq. mi. Answers: 1. About 17 percent 2. 183 Years

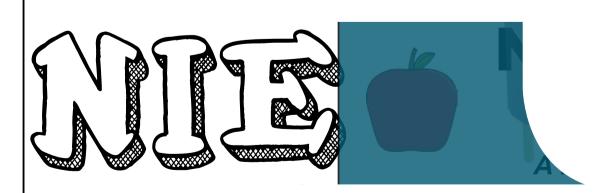
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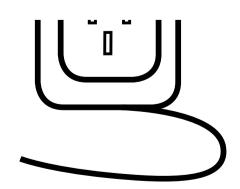
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  - 2. WWAASR
  - 3. DLPOAN
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# **Crowdfunding Launched for Winamac's Memorial Swinging Bridge Project**

Indiana Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority launched a crowdfunding campaign this week to illuminate the Memorial Bridge, a 100-year old suspension bridge in Winamac, dedicated to local veterans.

If this crowdfunding campaign reaches its goal of raising \$30,000 by Sept. 15 the project led by a volunteer group supported by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1728 will receive a matching grant as part of IHCDA's CreatINg Places program.

"The Memorial Bridge is a beautiful gathering

place for families in Pulaski County," Crouch said. "This project will help the Memorial reach its full potential as well as honor those who have served our great country."

Funds from this campaign will be used to add thousands of waterproof LED lights to the suspender cables, towers and under the walkway of Memorial Bridge, along with a computer system to control the timing and colors of the lights. Memorial Bridge is one of 12 suspension bridges in the state of Indiana, the third oldest that remains in use, and the only one in national and international databases to cross the Tippecanoe River. In 1923, Memorial Bridge was dedicated to soldiers and sailors from Pulaski County.

"We are excited to have this opportunity to collaborate with CreatINg Places," said Kathleen Thompson, Fund Development Chair. "A fundraising project of this size takes a tremendous undertaking for a small community. The ability to raise funds and double the amount received if we reach our goal is a blessing for project volunteers, the community, and the veterans we honor.'

The CreatINg Places program began in 2016.

Projects have raised more than \$6.4 million in public funds and an additional \$5.2 million in matching IHCDA funds. The program is available to projects located in Indiana communities. Non-profit entities (with 501c3 or 501c4 status) and Local Units of Government are eligible to apply.

Eligible projects must have a minimum total development cost of \$10,000, where the recipient will receive \$5,000 in IHCDA matching funds should it successfully raise \$5,000 through Patronicity. IHCDA will provide matching grant funds up to \$50,000 per project.

### Biennial Indiana Authors Awards Announcements Are Coming In August

The Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Awards will announce the books shortlisted for the 2022 honors in early August, followed by winner announcements in late August.

Awarded every two years, the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Awards celebrate the best books by Hoosier writers in nine categories. Lifetime Achievement and Literary Champion awards also will be announced in late August.

"Based on early feedback from our judging panels, the depth and breadth of Hoosier literary talent continues to grow," said Keira Amstutz, Indiana Humanities president and CEO. "There's a lot of anticipation to see the shortlists."

The Indiana Authors Awards celebrate Indiana writers, shine a light on the Hoosier state's literary community and deepen connections between Indiana writers and readers. Established in 2009 as a vision of Eugene and Marilyn Glick, the awards are a component of Indiana Humanities' rich and diverse literary programming.

The schedule of announcements follows. Aug. 2 – Shortlisted books in the children's,

middle grade and young

adult categories.

Aug. 3 – Shortlisted works in the poetry and genre categories

Aug. 4 – Shortlisted books in the debut, fiction and nonfiction categories

Aug. 22 – Literary Champion winner

Aug. 23 – Lifetime Achievement winner Aug. 24 – Winners in eight categories

Shortlists will be announced on social media, by category, daily at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. ET on Aug. 2, 3 and 4. A news release detailing all shortlisted books will go out Aug. 4 at 10 a.m. ET. Winners will be announced on social media and in a news release on Aug. 22, 23 and 24 at 10 a.m. ET. Follow the announcements on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram @INAuthorsAwards.

For more information on the Indiana Authors Awards, visit indianaauthorsawards.org.

# Indiana's Economic Development Momentum Continues With State's First Microelectronics Fab

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb and Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers joined Purdue University President Mitch Daniels and executives from SkyWater Technology to announce the company's plans to build a \$1.8 billion state-of-theart semiconductor R&D and production facility in Indiana, supported by 750 new high-wage jobs in Tippecanoe County.

"Days like today prove that Indiana's investments in the economy of the future, infrastructure and talent development are cultivating an environmen that enables innovators such as SkyWater to choose Indiana," said Gov. Holcomb. "Our success and our mission to support industries of the future would not be possible without the incredible partnerships with our globally ranked universities, like Purdue University, helping us attract and retain quality, innovative talent.'

Headquartered in Bloomington, Minn., Sky-Water plans to construct a 600,000-square-foot semiconductor research and development and production facility in partnership with Purdue University in West Lafayette. The facility will allow SkyWater to respond to increasing customer demand for accelerated access to domestic development, manufacturing and advanced packaging for microelectronics, and will house advanced next generation fabrication facilities.

"SkyWater's commitment to Indiana, along with its pure-play foundry model, reinforces the IEDC's strategic focus on building an economy of the future and is a testament to our newly launched AMPD taskforce which is working to continue Indiana's momentum in this critically important industry," said Sec. Chambers. "We are thrilled to welcome Indiana's first semiconductor fabrication facility into Indiana's vibrant technology and innovation ecosystem as the state leverages its long-standing advanced manufacturing expertise and workforce to support the future of microelectronics."

"This endeavor to bolster our chip fabrication facilities will rely on funding from the CHIPS Act. Federal investment will enable SkyWater to more quickly expand our efforts to address the need for strategic reshoring of semiconductor manufacturing," said Thomas Sonderman, SkyWater president and CEO. "Through the support and partnership of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, we have a unique opportunity to increase domestic production, shore up our supply chains and lay the groundwork for manufacturing technologies that will support growing demand for microelectronics."

SkyWater's plans for a new U.S. facility are in direct response to the increased demand for domestic semiconductor manufacturing. The company's ability to make this large of an investment this quickly will be a result of the federal commitment to support U.S. companies as defined in the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Act funding.

"For months state leaders, including Governor Holcomb, Secretary Chambers, President Daniels, and private enterprise have partnered to create a semiconductor corridor here in the Heartland," said U.S. Senator Todd Young. "Today's announcement is a direct result of those efforts. In Washington, we are on the verge of passing a major investment in next generation technologies that is vital for the success of this and future projects, and that will ensure Indiana remains at the center of our high-tech national security economy."

"I am thrilled to celebrate Skywater's investment in Indiana which is fantastic for the people of Indiana and a great credit to Governor Holcomb's' leadership," said U.S. Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo. "This investment will create hundreds of high-paying, good-quality jobs for the people of Indiana and will help secure our semiconductor supply chain here in the United States. Semiconductors keep our cars on the road, our military jets in the air, and quite literally keep the lights on. Today's announcement is a win for American economic and national security. It's up to Congress to continue this momentum and fully fund the CHIPS Act so that we can continue to make announcements just like this one."

Founded in 2017, Skywater employs 600 associates in Minnesota and Florida. Details for when hiring could begin in West Lafayette and the types of positions being filled will be made available online at a future date.

SkyWater is the only U.S. investor-owned and based pure-play semiconductor foundry and is a Department of Defense



accredited supplier, specializing in custom technology development, volume manufacturing and advanced packaging services for integrated circuits and microelectronics in its two U.S. locations. Last year, the company announced a partnership with the Purdue Research Foundation to accommodate an initial SkyWater team in the WestGate@ Crane Technology Park in Odon, Indiana, adjacent to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane).

"Today's announcement marks a dramatic advance toward multiple strategic goals of Purdue's last decade," said President Daniels. "Enriched academic and career opportunities for our students; new research possibilities for our faculty; a transformed, more attractive environment on and adjacent to our campus; and the latest demonstration that Purdue and Greater Lafayette are now the hot new tech hub of a growing, diversifying Indiana economy. Even for the place that specializes in them, this constitutes a genuine giant leap.'

Based on the company's plans to invest in its Indiana operations, the IEDC committed an investment in SkyWater Technology of up to \$29 million in the form of conditional tax credits and \$1 million in training grants based on the company's job creation plans. The IEDC also committed an investment of \$20 million in redevelopment tax credits based on the company's investment plans; up to \$20 million in conditional structured performance payments; up to \$500,000 in innovation vouchers; and \$1 million in Manufacturing Readiness Grants. These incentives are performance-based, meaning the company is eligible to claim state benefits once the company makes eligible investments

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and trained. Purdue University, Greater Lafayette Commerce, the city of West Lafayette, the city of Lafayette, Tippecanoe County and Duke Energy offered additional incentives.

"We are excited to see Greater Lafavette win the site selection process for this investment from SkyWater Technology," said Scott Walker, president and CEO of Greater Lafavette Commerce. "It demonstrates the power of collaboration between our county, our cities, Purdue University, the Purdue Research Foundation and the state of Indiana. It also demonstrates our region's strengths in working with industries of tomorrow. We are excited to work with them through the next phases of their process and work with our partners at Purdue University and Ivy Tech to develop the needed semiconductor workforce."

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# **Sen. Mike Braun Receives Friend Of Farm Credit Award**

The AgriBank District Farm Credit Council (ADFCC) has presented its 2022 Friend of Farm Credit Award to U.S. Sen. Mike Braun of Indiana. Braun, a member of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, received the award for his important work on behalf of rural communities, agriculture and the Farm Credit System, a national network of customer-owned

cooperatives. "Senator Braun has a keen sense of agriculture, business and practicality, which helps ensure commonsense solutions and keeps the best interests of agriculture and rural communities at the forefront," said Dwain "Doc" Cottingham, a farmer from Attica, Ind., and the Farm Credit Mid-America board representative on the ADFCC. "He demonstrated this type of leadership through his work to ensure that agriculture had access to the Paycheck Protection Program. His personal experience as a farmer and a business owner, blended with his understanding, appreciation and support for Farm Credit, makes us proud to call him a Friend of Farm Credit and a friend of rural America.'

"I'm honored to have been recognized for the 2022 Friend of Farm Credit Award," Braun said. "Farms both large and small will always be a place where hard working Americans find solutions to feeding their communities and



Mike Braun

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