

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Matthew 6:19-21 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.



➔ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Fran Knapp smile? "My family," said the Noblesville woman. She and her husband, Steven, a retired Indiana State Police officer, have two children, Kim and Charley. Fran also smiles because she's coming upon the second weekend of "The Sound of Music" musical at The Belfry Theatre, where she is involved in her 90th Belfry Theatre production there. She has been on stage, backstage crew, stage manager, assistant director and lights and sound board operator. This time around, she's stage manager. As an actress, she has played Mabel in "Three Men on a Horse," Flo in "Picnic," Emilie in "My Three Angels" and Miss Warriner in "Deskset," to name a few. Born in New Jersey, she moved to Noblesville in 1975 and is a 1980 graduate of Noblesville High School and a 1984 graduate of Ball State University. Fran worked for the Hamilton County Courts for 25 years and now works for Carmel City Court. Besides theater, her hobbies are theater, needlework and ghost hunting. She won an Encore Association award in 2019, along with her sister, Anne Auwaerter, for Co-Stage Managing The Belfry's "It's a Wonderful Life" holiday play. During "The Sound of Music," the sisters are teaming up again, with Anne as Fran's assistant stage manager. Anne has more than 100 shows under her belt. "The Sound of Music" ends this weekend with performances at 8 p.m. today and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville, with general admission tickets at thebelfrytheatre.com

And Another Few Things...

1. Chamber Luncheon

The Noblesville Chamber of Commerce Annual Holiday Luncheon will take place next Wednesday from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Purgatory Golf Club. This luncheon will feature the Noblesville High School Choir MadJazz and enjoy a special guest, Noblesville Fire Department's own Officer Carbon!

This year, as in years past, the Chamber has asked attendees to bring their unwrapped toy for the Noblesville Fire Department Toy Drive or cans of non-perishable food for the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank.

The cost of admission is \$26 for members and \$30 for guests. Visit noblesvillechamber.com/events/details/holiday-luncheon-2022- featuring-noblesville-high-school-choir-singers-4683 to register or reserve a 8-person table.

2. Blue Christmas

Noblesville First United Methodist Church's Blue Christmas service is offered, especially for those hurting during the holidays, on or near the winter solstice, the longest night of the year.

This year, they will be holding this Blue Christmas worship opportunity on Dec. 20 at 7 pm. in Whitcomb Chapel (Door 1).

Some come because they are mourning the death of a loved one. Some are far from home. Some suffer from illness, addiction, or estrangement. Some are lonely, struggling financially, or in conflict with another. Some hurt because of the great pain, need, and violence in our nation and world. The reasons for coming are many. Join First United for prayerful time, music and community with one another.

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Seminary Park will be lit up for the holidays beginning tonight as part of the Deck the Downtown in Noblesville.

Deck the Downtown, Fill Some Stockings, Watch the Parade, Visit Santa, See 'The Nutcracker'



BETSY REASON
The Times Editor

December is here, and so are lots of holiday activities.

Here are 33 holiday things to do this week and beyond:

1. Enjoy Westfield in Lights 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at Grand Junction Plaza in downtown Westfield.
2. Visit the Christkindlmarkt in Carmel now through Dec. 30, 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fridays through Sundays, with special hours, extended until 10 p.m. Dec. 3 and 10, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 19-23 and Dec. 26-30, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 24 at 10 Carter Green in Carmel.
3. Join Deck the Downtown

beginning at 5 p.m. today with Santa on the Square, Lights Over Seminary (Park) at 10th and Division streets, Midnight Madness (5 p.m. to midnight) at downtown merchants, ice skating at Federal Hill and a trolley to take you everywhere.

4. All ages can visit the Hamilton County Historical Society's Santa House with hours 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. today (First Friday); 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; noon to 3 p.m. Sunday and Dec. 11; 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 8 (virtual); 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Dec.

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Dr. Arrowood on New Program, Weather and Community Help



DR. DEREK ARROWOOD
HHSC Superintendent

in-class instruction. A synchronous e-learning day allows students and staff attendance to be counted for the day so that we do not need to add make up days to the end of the school year. Students must follow their Friday schedule to be considered present for the day. Teachers will be available online and take attendance during the scheduled class time.

This is a pilot program, and we encourage our educators and families to approach this day with curiosity and positivity. We will gather feedback to see if we need to make any adjustments for our weather days this winter. We appreciate our families practicing logging on to Google Meet with their students ahead of Friday. Thank you for ensuring your child is set up and is ready to start the day strong from home.

Speaking of weather, now seems the appropriate time to share a reminder about weather-related delays and cancellations. As we know well, Indiana weather can be unpredictable and change quickly. Making the

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Mark Rouse to Feature as Nickel Plate Arts December Stephenson Showcase



couldn't see much of anything," Rouse says.

This concept inspired a small series called "Blizzards 1, 2, 3," which will be featured in this exhibit and is a new style for Rouse. He will be removing his digital elements and focusing solely on acrylics.

"This is going to be a different way of looking at [my art for] people who know my work. Like the blizzard of '78, these paintings will be almost entirely white and the images are going to be texture. The texture will give a clue as to what they are a picture of," Rouse explains. According to him, "Snow changes the outlook on things" - and that is something that inspired the artwork featured in Rouse's exhibit.

Making his own impasto paste, he will create a completely white painting that is rich with texture. Then, using different shades of white and a little

Nickel Plate Arts has announced the December Stephenson Showcase, which will feature artist Mark Rouse.

Rouse's work coincides with the beginning of the winter season; the artist says he loves the snow and the visual changes it creates. The effect on textures, colors, and the physicality of objects is what inspires him to create.

"I was in college during the blizzard of 1978, and I remember what that was like when the snow was coming down and you

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➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Did you hear about the poor schmuck over in Russia who called Vladimir Putin an idiot? He got put in prison for 20 years - five for insulting Putin and 15 for revealing state secrets!



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Women aged 65 years or older should have a bone density screening. 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

"He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree."

- Roy L. Smith

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

What is the best Christmas present in the world? A broken drum. You just can't beat it!

➔ OBITUARIES

Zoe Terhune

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



➔ **OBITUARIES**

Zoe Terhune

February 5, 1946-November 28, 2022

Zoe Terhune, 76, of Noblesville, passed away on Monday, Nov. 28, 2022.

She was born on Feb. 5, 1946 to Hugh and Florence Eloise (Hobbs) Baughman in Zanesville, Ohio.

Mrs. Terhune graduated from Capital University in 1968 and Indiana University Graduate School in 1973. She was a math teacher at Lapel High School for 39 years. While teaching at Lapel, she was a class sponsor, sponsoring the Student Council and the National Honor Society. Mrs. Terhune received numerous outstanding teacher awards from her students. She married John Terhune on July 6, 1974.

She was a member of Noblesville First United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Women, Rebecca Circle, and the church choir.

Survivors include her husband John Terhune; son Chris Terhune (Mary Cox); 3 grandchildren Bell, Gabe and Sam; and brother Tom (Becky) Baughman.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son Scott Terhune.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville. Services are scheduled for 11 a.m., with an additional one-hour visitation scheduled to begin at 10 a.m., on Monday, Dec. 5 at Noblesville First United Methodist Church, 2051 Monument St., in Noblesville. Pastors Nicole Caldwell-Gross and Dick Judson will officiate. Burial will follow at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Noblesville First United Methodist Church Music Fund, 2051 Monument St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

Online condolences may be made at randallroberts.com



Finish Your Holiday Shopping Early with Help from Wolfsie



DICK WOLFSIE
Life in a Nutshell

The Hammacher Schlemmer Christmas '22 gift catalog just arrived! It's the longest-running mail-order retailer of its kind, its pages filled with unique (if not quirky) selections. Here are some of my favorite choices. Who knows, maybe this holiday you will receive...

John Wayne's Canvas Rancher Jacket:

This hand-crafted canvas jacket features a notched corduroy collar. I guess the notches each represent some poor soul Duke wasted in a movie. Do the five buttons denote the people he eliminated in his real life for not embracing the Second Amendment? None of these purchases were returned, with customers saying: "You'll

have to pry that coat from my cold, dead hands."

The Warming Cat Bed:
"Highly recommended by veterinarians," says HS. But only two vets could make an honest endorsement—the only two small enough to fit in the bed. The catalog says you can also use it for a small dog. I'm no pet expert, but I'd take the cat out first.

The Side Sleepers Ergonomic Pillow:

Ideal for someone who is sleeping with someone on the side. The pillow adjusts to your head and neck and provides support. Providing support is what you will have to do if you get caught.

The Perfect Spiral Robotic Quarterback:

This training contraption loads footballs and launches the pigskin 75 feet. You pump each ball, putting in as much air as you like. Endorsed by Tom Brady.

The Lego City Police Station:

The 680-piece Lego set is complete with a three-story building, a jail, cops and police dogs, and a training area. As the kids near bedtime and toys must be put away, parents

can post a sign that says: DECONSTRUCT THE POLICE.

The Electronic Tag Game:

This is a modern version of tag where kids wear LED lights so they can see who has been tagged. Give me a break! When I was a kid, I admit I wasn't smart enough to reduce a fraction, but I sure didn't need a light to know who was "it."

The Award-Winning Cat String Toy:

Recognized for innovative cat amusement, this electric gadget is basically a string that hangs on the doorknob and swirls around, teasing the cat, and encouraging exercise. If you get this for your feline, he will show his gratitude just like a dog. Your cat will wag his tail, wiggle his behind, jump up in your lap and lick your face. I'm just kidding.

The New York Times Jigsaw Puzzle of Your Birthdate:

Ever wonder what the front page of the New York Times looked like the day you were born? Me either. This 600-piece

puzzle will test your concentration and patience. Remember the New York Times slogan: "All the news we print will fit." Unless the dog chewed a piece.

The Personalized Animated Singing Elephant Chair:

This is a giant plush pachyderm that sings, "Do your ears hang low, do they wobble to and fro?" When I was 8 years old and first discovering my body, that's not how I remember the words.

And one last favorite item from a past holiday edition, still available: **The Soft Kangaroo Wallet:**

This billfold is made from the hide of a kangaroo. How ironic that here we have an animal, one of the few on the planet with an actual pocket that can carry something and we made him into a wallet.

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.

Gal's Guide Library Wins Organization of the Year

Gal's Guide Library receives recognition as the Community and Public Service Organization of the Year at the inaugural Advancing Noblesville Awards dinner

On Nov. 17, the inaugural Advancing Noblesville Awards dinner was held at Harbour Tree Golf Club. The Advancing Noblesville Chamber Foundation, in partnership with the City of Noblesville and the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce, held the awards ceremony to honor key contributors with respect to the city's advancement and success. Businesses, organizations, and individuals were all recognized during the event.

Earlier in November, the Gal's Guide Library received notification from the Advancing Noblesville Chamber Foundation that they, along with Shepherd's Center and Suburban North Club, were nominated for the award for Community and Public Service Organization of the Year.

During the dinner, Gal's Guide was announced as the winner, and Barb Conlin, Director of Community Outreach for Gal's Guide, accepted on behalf of the library.

"We were delighted to be included among such wonderful nominees - the quality of the companies and individuals and what they offer to Noblesville is a bit overwhelming," said Ms. Conlin.

"We were surprised and humbled to hear Gal's Guide announced as the winner!"

Dr. Leah Leach, Executive Director and founder

of Gal's Guide, could not be in attendance at the dinner due to prior commitments for the library; however, she had this to say about the win. "When we opened 11 days before the Pandemic shut down the state, I was worried Gal's Guide wouldn't be able to be the resource of our plans, instead my wonderful team buckled down and re-defined what an independent library could be. This award is for the Gal's Guide staff, volunteers, and patrons who make every day empowering."

Katie Young, President of the Board of Directors for Gal's Guide, added, "This year, Gal's Guide Library has been lucky in that the library and staff have been recognized as nominees in several categories and by several organizations. However, this award and this win feels like such a great fit for us. We hope to continue to be worthy of this award in all that we do in serving our wonderful community of Noblesville."

About Gal's Guide Library:

Gal's Guide Library is a 501c3 organization that opened at the Nickel Plate Arts in March of 2020. The mission of Gal's Guide, which is the first women's history lending library in the US, is to illuminate stories of women by providing books by and about women. In addition to fulfilling the need for a lending library, Gal's Guide also offers Book Club, Film Club, Walking Club, LGBTQ+ Ally meetups as well as podcasts, book clubs, and other activities.

3 Acclaimed Vocal Groups Named to Great American Songbook Hall of Fame

Celebrating the legacy of vocal harmony in popular music, the Great American Songbook Foundation has selected three acclaimed vocal groups as its 2022 Songbook Hall of Fame inductees.

The Lennon Sisters, The Manhattan Transfer and Straight No Chaser took part in a video induction ceremony and will be honored throughout the coming year with programming that explores the traditions of vocal harmony and the impact of these artists on the American Songbook.

"I think there's a magic in vocal harmony, in group harmony," The Manhattan Transfer's Trist Curless said.

"There is something about it that just catches people, no matter the style ... Whether it's in a pop song, a rock song, a metal song, a reggae song, when you get to that chorus and there's the harmony parts - everybody is drawn to that."

The Songbook Hall of Fame celebrates lyricists, composers and performers who have helped to create the soundtrack of our lives with their contributions to American popular song. Hall of Fame inductees are selected based on factors including musical influence on other artists, length and depth of career and body of work, inno-

vation and superiority in style and technique, and overall musical excellence. Previous inductees have included George and Ira Gershwin, Duke Ellington, Ella Fitzgerald, Johnny Mathis, Liza Minnelli, Rita Moreno and Frank Sinatra.

The Lennon Sisters, one of the most admired and longest-performing female vocal groups in American music history, are marking 67 years since their television debut in 1955 as children on The Lawrence Welk Show. Growing up in the public eye with their weekly television performances, the quartet rose to fame as acclaimed recording artists and vibrant live performers throughout the nation.

They are inductees of the National Vocal Group Hall of Fame, honorees of the Hollywood Walk of Fame and the only female vocal group to have performed for seven consecutive U.S. Presidents: Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Ford, Carter and Reagan. Following the retirement of sisters Peggy in 1999 and Dianne in 2001, the current performing sisters are original group members Kathy and Janet Lennon and their younger sister Mimi.

"After 67 years, there is still nothing like sitting on a stage, and looking at your sisters, and as we

blend our voices, we just feel as one heart," Kathy Lennon said.

The Manhattan Transfer, one of popular music's most innovative vocal bands, is celebrating 50 years since the formation of its classic lineup in 1972. With hits including a signature arrangement of the jazz standard "Birdland," the quartet has won 10 Grammy Awards and sold millions of records worldwide. The current lineup features original members Alan Paul and Janis Siegel; Cheryl Bentyne, who replaced Laurel Masse in 1979; and Trist Curless, who replaced founder Tim Hauser after his death in 2014.

Straight No Chaser, the men's ensemble that has brought vocal traditions to new generations of fans, is celebrating the 25th anniversary of its founding at Indiana University. Discovered on YouTube by Atlantic Records, the group is known for tight arrangements, impeccable harmonies and a lively sense of humor. They have built a massive fan base through a series of successful album releases, many national TV appearances, and collaborations with artists including Paul McCartney, Stevie Wonder, Elton John and Dolly Parton. They consistently rank among Pollstar's top

100 touring acts in North America.

Extended profiles, audio and video clips, and other resources on The Lennon Sisters, The Manhattan Transfer and Straight No Chaser are available at TheSongbook.org.

About the Great American Songbook Foundation:

The mission of the Great American Songbook Foundation, founded in 2007 by five-time Grammy Award nominee Michael Feinstein, is to inspire and educate by celebrating the timeless standards of pop, jazz, Broadway and Hollywood.

Headquartered at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel, Indiana, the Foundation advances this rich musical legacy by curating a vast archive of items representing its creators, performers and publishers; operating a multimedia exhibit gallery; overseeing the Songbook Hall of Fame; offering programs for the public and research opportunities for scholars and artists; and providing educational opportunities for student musicians, including the annual Songbook Academy summer intensive.

The Foundation is a Cultural Affiliate of the Los Angeles-based Grammy Museum. More information is available at The-Songbook.org.

PUBLIC NOTICES

HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1-5.5 (a) the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners will meet on Monday, December 19, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. This meeting is to discuss county business.

/s/ Robin M. Mills
Hamilton County Auditor

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Employment Opportunity

The Town of Sheridan, Indiana is seeking qualified applicants for the position of **Street Superintendent**. This position is a department head level position comprised of several upper-level management and leadership duties. Candidates should have knowledge, skill, and experience in leading, planning, controlling, and managing operations of municipal streets and public works. The full job description is available at www.sheridan.org.

The Town of Sheridan offers benefits of health, vision, and dental insurances along with pension and deferred compensation retirement programs. The salary range for this position is \$56,000 to \$58,000.

Interested applicants can submit a cover letter and resume to Todd Burtron at tburtron@taflaw.com or via United State Postal Service to Town of Sheridan, 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, Indiana 46069 Attn: Street Department job posting. Please submit resumes no later than close of business on Friday, December 2, 2022.

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Baldwin: Applications Available for Indiana Senate Page Program

The Indiana Senate is now accepting applications for the 2023 Senate Page Program, said State Sen. Scott Baldwin (R-Noblesville).

Through the full-day program, students in grades six through 12 tour Indiana's Statehouse, listen to debates and help staff with age-appropriate tasks. Students also have the opportunity to meet their state senator.

"Knowing how our state government operates is a vital part of a young Hoosier's education," Baldwin said. "This program provides an



Senator Scott Baldwin

excellent opportunity for students to see the legislative process in real time and better understand all that goes into passing laws in Indiana."

The Senate Page Program will begin in January and run through early April. Positions fill quickly, so it is important to apply early. Pages are scheduled for Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays during the legislative session. They begin their day at 8:30 a.m. and are dismissed at 3:30 p.m. Groups serve together on Wednesdays. Serving as a page is considered an excused absence from school.

For information or to apply, visit IndianaSenateRepublicans.com/page-program.

Purdue Extension Master Gardener Program to Offer Spring Virtual Training

The spring 2023 Purdue Extension Master Gardener (EMG) basic training program will begin Feb. 7 as a weekly series of live virtual webinars.

Visit tinyurl.com/4mjy5w3z and contact a hosting Purdue Extension educator to obtain an application. The application deadline is Jan. 16, and the training wraps up May 9. An individual registration is \$180 and includes a print version of the Purdue EMG manual. The fee for two people sharing a print version of the manual is \$280.

Purdue Extension specialists and educators from across Indiana teach the course. Topics include soils, fertility, pest control, invasive species, pesticide safety and alternatives, trees, vegetables, flowers, lawns, and fruit.

"The Purdue Extension

Master Gardener program's main purpose is to train volunteers to assist Purdue Extension with consumer horticulture education in Indiana communities," said John Orick, Purdue EMG state coordinator.

Purdue Extension Master Gardener volunteers are required to give a minimum of 40 hours back to the community after completing initial training and passing an exam. Volunteers contributed more than 125,000 hours in 2022, Orick said.

To strengthen connections to county Purdue EMG programs, each hosting Extension educator will hold a required one-hour weekly meeting with participants to dig deeper into how the topic of the week applies to local gardeners.

"Indiana is a long,

north-south state," said Jeff Burbrink, Purdue Extension educator in Elkhart County and Purdue EMG spring program team member.

"Our climate and soils vary greatly from Lake Michigan to the Ohio River. We want to be sure that our Extension Master Gardeners can see how these concepts work in their backyard."

Most Master Gardeners stay involved in the program for years.

"Our local Master Gardeners created the Michiana Master Gardener Association in 1996, in part because they enjoy learning and because they can work on big projects together, like our annual Garden Tour and Garden Expo," Burbrink said. "They are an amazingly talented group of creative people."

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Congresswoman Spartz with her Iron Lady Award, presented by American Legislative Exchange Council earlier this week.

Congresswoman Spartz Receives Iron Lady Award

This week, Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.) was presented with the prestigious Iron Lady Award from the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC).

"As a strong believer in the power of the states and power of the people, I am honored to be recognized by the organization of state legislators," said Rep. Spartz.

"Margaret Thatcher said that Europe was

created by history and America was created by philosophy. I would just add by philosophy of freedom."

"It has been a pleasure working with Rep. Victoria Spartz during my tenure at ALEC," said ALEC CEO Lisa B. Nelson. "Just as former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher faced down the communist threat in her day, so has Victoria Spartz in our day. We need more female

freedom fighters like Spartz serving in all levels of government. She is a fierce defender of limited governments, free markets and federalism. I know she wants these principles embraced not only in America, but around the world. I can think of no one more deserving of the 2022 Iron Lady Award."

ALEC is the largest nonpartisan, voluntary membership organization of state legislators in the United States.

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Kenny Previews the Boilermaker's Chances Against Michigan

History says Purdue will not come close to upsetting No. 2 Michigan on Saturday night at the Big Ten Championship Game.

Since the Big Ten went to the East-West divisional format in 2014, the East winners are 8-0 with an average margin of victory of 35-15.

As noted Saturday night by Gerry DiNardo on the Big Ten Network, Purdue is the first primarily passing team to represent the West. Wisconsin (0-4), Iowa (0-2) and Northwestern (0-2) were closer to Woody Hayes' three yards and a cloud of dust offenses than a modern attack.

Maybe having the Big Ten's No. 1 rated quarterback, Aiden O'Connell, and wide receiver, Charlie Jones, will give Purdue a puncher's chance at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. O'Connell has thrown for 3,124 yards and 22 touchdowns. Jones has 97 receptions for 1,199 yards and 12 scores.

Having one of the Big Ten's best running backs, walk-on redshirt freshman Devin Mockobee, gives coach Jeff Brohm more options. Mockobee was chosen Big Ten Freshman of the Week on Monday after rushing for 99 yards and a touchdown against Indiana in a 30-16 victory at Bloomington.

It's pretty amazing that despite my forecasting Purdue to win the West before the season, they did so with little talent. That's the impression given here after this week's All-Big Ten teams were announced.

Jones was the Boilermakers' only first-team selection. O'Connell and Payne Durham the only second-team picks. No third team berths from the league coaches and just a handful of honorable mention selections.

In a mild surprise, neither Jones nor Durham were selected the Big Ten's best wide receiver and tight end, respectively. Ohio State's Marvin Harrison Jr. got the nod over Jones. Harrison had 27 fewer receptions (97-72), slightly fewer yards (1,199-1,157) and the same total of touchdown catches (12). One plays for a nationally recognized football power. The other plays at Purdue.

More baffling is how Iowa's Sam LaPorta was chosen over Durham.



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

How is it possible for someone from the 13th-ranked Big Ten school in total offense gets the nod over the second-leading receiver for the Big Ten's fourth-ranked offense?

Compare these statistics. Durham 54 receptions, 550 yards, 8 TDs. LaPorta 53 receptions, 601 yards, 1 TD. Take LaPorta away from Iowa and guess what, the Hawkeyes only score 15 offensive touchdowns in 12 games this season. Durham has been far more valuable this season.

Perhaps the snubs by the coaches and media will be inspiration Saturday night.

At stake for the Boilermakers is a third trip to the Rose Bowl, granted to the winner of the Big Ten Championship Game unless that school is selected to the College Football Playoff. A Michigan victory would lock up one of the four playoff berths at 13-0. In that scenario, the Rose Bowl would likely choose the next Big Ten team in the College Football Playoff rankings. That would likely be Ohio State barring TCU or Southern Cal upsets this weekend that would put the Buckeyes back in the Playoff.

Here's a breakdown of the eight previous West champions and their bowl destinations after losing in the title game. 2014 Wisconsin: After losing 59-0 to No. 6 Ohio State, the Badgers topped LSU 34-31 in overtime at the Outback Bowl. 2015 Iowa: Lost the closest Big Ten final to Michigan State, 16-13. The Hawkeyes got the Rose Bowl berth but were dominated by Stanford 45-16.

2016 Wisconsin: Outscored 38-31 by Penn State, the Badgers prevailed 24-16 in the Cotton Bowl against Western Michigan. 2017 Wisconsin: Another close loss by the Badgers, 27-21, to Ohio State earned them a trip to



Fletcher Loyer

the Orange Bowl. Wisconsin topped the host Miami Hurricanes 34-24.

2018 Northwestern: A 45-24 loss to Ohio State in the title game sent the Wildcats to the Holiday Bowl against Pac-12 runner-up Utah. The 31-20 victory gave Northwestern its first three-game winning streak in the postseason.

2019 Wisconsin: Top-ranked Ohio State again was too much for the Badgers, 34-21. This time there was no consolation prize thanks to a 28-27 loss to Oregon in the Rose Bowl.

2020 Northwestern: The Wildcats followed a competitive (22-10) loss to Ohio State by winning the Citrus Bowl 35-19 against Auburn.

2021 Iowa: The Hawkeyes were run over by No. 2 Michigan 42-3. A tougher loss to swallow followed in the Citrus Bowl, where Kentucky scored the game-winning touchdown with 1:47 to play for a 20-17 triumph.

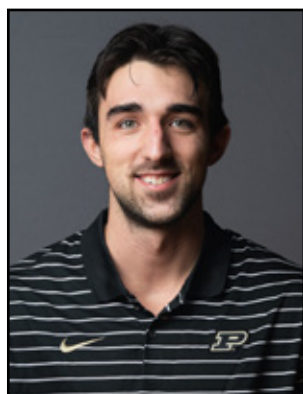
Legacy champions

A great weekend for Purdue's top two sports teams concluded Sunday afternoon with a dominating 75-56 victory by Matt Painter's Boilermaker basketball team over No. 8 Duke in the championship of the Phil Knight Legacy in Portland, Ore.

Purdue became the second team ever and the first since the 1968 UCLA national champions to win back-to-back neutral-site games by 18 or more points against top-10 ranked teams.

Until Sunday, the Boilermakers had never beaten two Top 10-ranked non-conference rivals in consecutive games.

The fifth double-double of the season by tournament MVP Zach Edey (21 points, 12 rebounds) was supported by freshman guard Fletcher Loyer's 18 points and Caleb Furst's 11 points and 10



Ethan Morton

rebounds. Westfield's Braden Smith pulled down eight rebounds and made three steals to go with four points.

Junior guard Ethan Morton joined Edey on the all-tournament team. Morton was recognized for an incredible 19 to 1 assist-to-turnover ratio in the three games. He averaged 4.7 points, 4.0 rebounds and 1.7 steals in the tournament.

More honors came Monday when Edey was selected Big Ten Player of the Week and Loyer earned Big Ten Freshman of the Week honors.

ESPN.com writer Jeff Borzello called Edey "the most dominant presence in college basketball right now" in an article in which Borzello ranked Purdue No. 1 in the country. "Painter has found the perfect combination of players to surround Edey with: four guys who can pass, make 3s and give him room to operate."

Andy Katz, a Big Ten Network contributor, also ranked Purdue No. 1 in his weekly rankings for ncaa.com. "They are playing the best basketball in the country right now," Katz wrote. "Deal with it."

The Boilermakers leaped from 24th to fifth Monday in The Associated Press poll, the first time since the Troy Lewis-Todd Mitchell-Everette Stephens teams in 1986-87 and 1987-88 that Purdue has been ranked in the top five in consecutive seasons.

However, there's this sense that this group won't let rankings go to their collective heads unlike last season.

This Purdue team doesn't have an NBA lottery pick talent like Jaden Ivey, but this year's Boilermakers are more defensive-minded. Purdue held Duke, which missed its final 13 shots, to 36 percent field goal shooting

two days after limiting Gonzaga to 40 percent from the field. West Virginia's 41.3 field goal percentage is the highest against Purdue this season.

Brandon Smith's leadership and hustle also appear to have rubbed off on his teammates. The freshman from Westfield came up big against Gonzaga with 14 points, a career-high seven assists and five rebounds.

Even more surprising than the victories in Portland over West Virginia, No. 6 Gonzaga and Duke? This success is coming with just one senior on the roster, transfer guard David Jenkins Jr.

Hall of Fame election

Two former Purdue standouts and one of the best scorers in Indiana University history are part of the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame's Class of 2023.

The late Henry Ebershoff starred at Lafayette Central Catholic before enrolling at Purdue in the fall of 1963. Ebershoff still owns the Purdue record for single-season free throw shooting percentage (.907 on 88 of 97 attempts) set in 1966. He averaged 15 points and 4.6 assists for head coach George King as a senior in 1967, earning second-team All-Big Ten honors.

Drake Morris was a starting forward on Purdue's most recent NCAA Final Four team in 1980. He was the Indiana Mr. Basketball runner-up in 1977 and a McDonald's All-American out of East Chicago Washington. Morris earned first-team All-Big Ten honors in 1981 and scored 1,250 career points.

Brian Evans scored 1,701 career points at Indiana after graduating from Terre Haute South, where he earned first-team All-State honors and an Indiana All-Star berth. Evans was a first-round draft pick of the Orlando Magic in 1996.

Shelbyville graduate Ken Gunning, who played three seasons at Indiana in the 1930s, was also elected in a class that features James Blackmon of Marion, Eric Montross of Lawrence North and former Butler coach Brad Stevens. The induction ceremony will be March 22, 2023, at the Primo Banquet Hall in Indianapolis.

Noteworthy

Carolyn Peck, the first African-American coach to win an NCAA women's basketball national championship, was one of five elected Sunday to the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame.

Peck coached two seasons at Purdue, culminating in the 1999 national title. She is currently a commentator/game analyst for ESPN's women's college basketball and WNBA coverage. ...

The current Purdue women's basketball team won two out of three at the Cancun Challenge this past weekend. The Boilermakers are 6-1 for just the third time in the last 10 years. ...

Seven Boilermaker defenders and four offensive players earned All-Big Ten honorable mention. Safety Cam Allen, tackles Branson Deen and Lawrence Johnson, linebacker Jalen Graham, ends Kydran Jenkins and Jack Sullivan and cornerback Cory Trice were cited. Running back Devin Mockobee and three of his blockers - Gus Hartwig, Spencer Holsteger and Marcus Mbow - also earned recognition.

Mockobee seems almost certain to break the Purdue single-season freshman rushing yards (875) and carries (168) records held by Markell Jones. Mockobee has rushed for 849 yards on 165 carries entering the Big Ten Championship Game, with a bowl to follow. ...

With Saturday's victory at Indiana, Jeff Brohm tied College Football Hall of Fame coach Jim Young (1977-81) and Noble Kizer (1930-36) for third place in career Big Ten victories at Purdue with 26.

Another College Football Hall of Fame coach, Jack Mollenkopf, won 58 conference games from 1956-69. Joe Tiller was close behind, winning 53 Big Ten games from 1997 to 2008.

Brohm did match Tiller, though, with back-to-back seasons of eight regular-season victories for the first time since Tiller accomplished the feat in 1997-98.

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.

900 Middle and High School Students to Compete in We the People State Finals

The Indiana Bar Foundation (Foundation) will host 900 students representing 14 middle and 14 high schools in the annual We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution State Finals next Monday and Tuesday in Indianapolis. Teams qualified through regional competitions in Evansville, Fishers, Fort Wayne, Gary and Plainfield.

Students prepare an opening statement and answer questions on government-related topics from a panel of judges. The competition allows students to demonstrate their knowledge, poise, and teamwork. State champions in the high school and middle school divisions earn the right to represent Indiana in the national competition.

Indiana middle school classes will compete Monday in historic Union Station and the Crowne Plaza. Two rounds of competition will be held. Fishers Junior High School is the defending state champion.

Highlighting the middle school state finals will be a Naturalization Ceremony scheduled for 12:45 p.m. in the Grand Hall of Union Station. Eighty individuals



are expected to become U.S. citizens during the event. Judge James R. Sweeney II, United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana and Indiana Bar Foundation Board Member, will serve as the presiding judge.

"We the People students learn about civics, government, and citizenship through their studies. A naturalization ceremony is one of the ultimate acts of seeing civics, government, and citizenship come together in a meaningful way," said Foundation Director of Civic Education Tim Kalgreen."

Middle Schools competing include:

- Brown County Middle School, Nashville
- Carroll Middle School (Team Culbertson), Fort Wayne
- Carroll Middle School (Team Smith), Fort Wayne
- Castle South Middle School, Newburgh

- Fall Creek Junior High School, Fishers
- Fishers Junior High School, Fishers
- Helfrich Park STEM Academy, Evansville
- Hobart Middle School, Hobart
- Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School, Fort Wayne
- St. Malachy Catholic School, Brownsburg
- Sidener Academy, Indianapolis
- Union Township Middle School, Valparaiso
- Woodside Middle School, Fort Wayne

On Tuesday, December 6, high school classes representing 14 Indiana high schools will compete at historic Union Station and the Crowne Plaza. Fishers High School is the defending state champion. Competing schools include:

- Castle High School, Newburgh
- Evansville North High School, Evansville
- Fishers High School,

Fishers

- Franklin Central High School, Indianapolis
- Hamilton Southeastern High School, Fishers
- Hobart High School, Hobart
- Homestead High School, Fort Wayne
- Jasper High School, Jasper
- New Palestine High School, New Palestine
- North Posey High School, Poseyville
- Plainfield High School (Team Hamilton), Plainfield
- Plainfield High School (Team Madison), Plainfield
- Randall T. Shepard Leadership and Law Academy, Evansville
- West Lafayette Junior / Senior High School, West Lafayette

In Indiana, We the People is administered by the Foundation as part of its civic education program. More than 10-thousand students are impacted through teachers attending the Foundation's We the People Summer Institute and professional development opportunities, use of the We the People textbook, and through the annual competition.

Meeting Notice

Noblesville Economic Development Commission
The Noblesville Eco-

nomics Commission is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022 at 8:15 a.m. in the Council chamber at City Hall, 16 South 10th St.

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Senator Mike Braun Running for Governor in 2024

By Whitney Downard

Republican U.S. Sen. Mike Braun filed with the Secretary of State's office Wednesday morning to form a campaign finance committee, launching his candidacy for governor in 2024.

"Mike Braun has filed his paperwork to run for governor and will be making an official announcement of his candidacy very soon," Josh Kelley, Braun's chief of staff and senior political advisor, said in a statement from a private email.

The first-term senator had long hinted at the possibility of succeeding Gov. Eric Holcomb, who isn't allowed to seek a third consecutive term.

Andrew Downs, a former political science professor at Purdue University Fort Wayne, said the purpose of Braun's relatively early announcement served to clear the field of other candidates considering a run for the state's highest elected office.

"There will be some folks who reconsider because he's there. That's not necessarily because

they're afraid of him but they understand that he has relationships with donors and leaders that will automatically go to him," Downs said.

Top Republican donors aligned with Braun will limit the number of campaign dollars available to other candidates, who may seek another elected office — including Braun's own seat in the U.S. Senate.

The Trump factor on 2024

Braun has closely aligned himself with former President Donald Trump, winning his Senate seat in 2018 two years after Trump won a tight election. During his tenure in the Senate, Braun consistently upheld the then-president's agenda but Downs warned voters might not be as enamored with Trump in 2024.

"If the interest of the public begins to wane on Trump — well, (Braun)'s already defined himself," Downs said. "And so maybe somebody can win the nomination who is not as much of a fan of the former president."

Pundits have openly wondered if the poor



Senator Mike Braun

showing of Republicans in the 2022 midterms could be attributed to Trump's nomination of low-quality candidates, one factor which spurred infighting within the Senate GOP. Braun supported Florida Sen. Rick Scott over Kentucky Sen. Mitch McConnell, who is the longest serving Republican leader in Senate history.

In August, McConnell warned that Republicans might not hold onto Senate control due to "candidate quality," not naming anyone individually. Just one of Trump's slate of senate candidates won.

But Trump announced shortly after the midterms that he would be pursuing another term as president, potentially boosting Republican turnout for those

further down the ballot, including the party's candidate for governor.

Downs said that Braun could still carve out a loyal base and win the nomination with a plurality of the primary vote, much like Trump did in 2016 and Braun did in 2018.

"(Trump) was able to outlast people... his plurality was enough to give him wins," Downs said. "If we go back to that 2018 race, there was a fracturing of the vote on the Republican side... and (that) could be used as a way to explain why Braun was able to get the nomination."

Reverberations of announcement on Senate, other candidates

Braun's decision to not seek re-election to the Senate makes that race more competitive, with two U.S. Representatives already exploring a campaign. Ukrainian-born Victoria Spartz, in the central 5th Congressional District, told Politico in September she plans to run for the seat and Indy Politics' reported that Jim Banks, of the northeastern 3rd Congressional District, was preparing to run

earlier this month.

"(Braun) running for governor, that opens up the field for the Senate race," Downs said.

Though he hasn't announced, Holcomb's massive war chest amassed as governor could lend itself to another elected office — potentially as senator. However, Holcomb hasn't indicated any post-governorship plans.

Because of Braun's conservative and Trumpian designation, a more moderate candidate would likely be a challenge. The only other announced candidate for the position is Eric Doden, a Fort Wayne businessman, who has outlined several conservative priorities when he launched an ad campaign earlier this month.

Other candidates rumored to be considering a run include Republican Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and former Superintendent for Public Instruction Jennifer McCormick. Neither responded to questions Wednesday.

Though McCormick previously ran, and won, as a Republican, she has appeared numerous times with Democrats on

statewide campaigns and aligns herself with the Democratic Party.

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita and outgoing Rep. Trey Hollingsworth, of the 9th Congressional District, are also floated as possibilities for governor.

Indiana Democratic Party Chairman Mike Schmuhl said "A Mike Braun administration would do nothing to improve the state's dismal quality-of-life, workforce, and education rankings, and coming up on 20 years of Republican state administrations, Hoosiers deserve honest leadership that will put an end to extremist politics and chart a course for a modern and better Indiana where everyone has the freedom to thrive."

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IDDC Announces Completion of Over 40 IN Indiana Murals

More than 40 public arts projects in 33 counties across the state funded by the Indiana Destination Development Corporation (IDDC) were recently completed by local organizations.

"These public art projects help tell the stories of our local communities in beautiful and enriching ways," Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch said.

"I hope first-time visitors and long-time residents alike will be able to enjoy these new assets and feel a sense of pride and belonging in Indiana."

Cities, towns, destination marketing organizations, chambers of commerce, private businesses and more applied for a non-matching grant of up to \$5,000 to fund a public art project in their community. More than \$200,000 in grant funding was awarded in May.

The following organizations have completed public art projects funded by IDDC:

- A Touch of Heaven located at 425 E. Main St. in Washington - Artist: Jennifer Peachee;
- A&B Farmhouse located at 525 E. National Ave. in Brazil - Artist: Becky Hochhalter;
- Avon Waterpark located at 753 S. CR 625 East in Avon - Artist: Cole Potter;
- Bluffton NOW located at 216 W. Market St. in Bluffton - Artist: Amy Buchs;
- Brown County Visitors Center located at 211 S. Van Buren St. in Nashville - Artist: Mark Schmidt;
- Calumet College of St. Joseph located at 2400 New York Ave. in Whiting - Artist: Felix Maldonado;
- Carnegie Heritage and Art Center located at 140 S. Main St. in Linton - Artist: Kali Smith;
- City of Boonville located at 201 Moore St. in Boonville - Artist: Laura Engel;
- City of Franklin located at 237 W. Monroe St. in Franklin - Artist: Greg Potter;
- Community Foundation of Grant County (Marion Arts Commission) located at 326 S. Washington St. in Marion - Artist: Tashema Davis; (In progress)
- Develop Culver located at Lake Maxinkuckee within Culver Town Park at 819 E. Lake Shore Drive in Culver - Artist: Bridge Collective, LLC;
- Downtown Evansville located at 318 Main St. in Evansville - Artist: Michael Smith;
- Elkhart County Visi-

tors Center located at 3421 Cassopolis St. in Elkhart - Artist: Josh Cooper;

- Franklin Department of Public Art located at 100 S. Jackson St. in Franklin - Artist: LuAnn Lietz;
- Gibson County Economic Development located at 127 N. Hart St. in Princeton - Artist: Madison Daniels;
- Grand Park Sports Campus at 19000 Grand Park Blvd. in Westfield at the Diamonds, Events Center and Field Sports Complexes - Artist: Travis Neal;
- Greater Kokomo Downtown Association located at 500 N. Buckeye St. in Kokomo - Artist: Sienna Urbina;
- Greater Life Chapel located at 1241 Grant St. in Gary - Artist: Boxx the Artist; (In progress)
- Greater Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce located at 672 Ohio St. in Terre Haute - Artist: Shayla Fish; (In progress)
- Harrison County Arts located at 300 E. Chestnut St. in Corydon - Artist: Carrie Johns;
- Heart of Jasper located at 505 Main St. in Jasper - Artist: Elizabeth Wertman;
- Historic Warren Inc. located at 128 N. Wayne St. in Huntington - Artist: Nancy Carroll Wagner;
- Holiday World & Splashin' Safari located at 452 E. Christmas Blvd. in Santa Claus - Artist: Rick Emmons;
- Huntington City-Township Public Library located at 255 W. Park Drive in Huntington - Artist: Bryan Ballinger;
- Indiana Dunes Tourism located at the Indiana Dunes Visitors Center at 1215 N. SR 49 in Porter - Artist: Ryan "Arcy" Christenson of RC Murals;
- Jennings County Historical Society located at 25 Pike St. in Vernon - Artist: Karen Chilman;
- Keep Noblesville Beautiful located at the 209th Street, Carrigan Road and Hague Road roundabout in Noblesville - Artist: Kevin Huff;
- Kendallville Main Street located at Atz Law Office at 202 S. Main St. in Kendallville - Artist: Chris Lesley;
- Loogootee Eye Center located at 109 W. Main St. in Loogootee - Artist: Barbara Stahl;
- Madam Walker Leg-

acy Center located at the intersection of Senate Avenue and Indiana Avenue in Indianapolis - Artist: Tasha Beckwith;

- Main Street Centerville located at the intersection of Morton Avenue and Main Street in Centerville - Artist: Ethan Talbot;
 - Main Street LaGrange located at 201 N. Detroit St. in LaGrange - Artist: Bonnie Barrett;
 - Main Street Vineyard Church located at 114 W. Main St. in Plainfield - Artist: Kylin Brown;
 - Mulberry Cottage located at 46 W. Main St. in Nashville - Artist: Kurt Eagleman;
 - Munster Civic Foundation located at 5 Ridge Road in Munster - Artist: Lindsey Harris;
 - Renovia located at 5151 Shadeland Ave. in Indianapolis - Artist: Justin Olson;
 - Saint Mary of the Woods College located at Les Bois Hall, 3320 N. Eastgate Place, West Terre Haute - Artist: Becky Hochhalter;
 - Santa Claus Museum & Village located at 69 SR 245 in Santa Claus - Artist: Elizabeth Wertman;
 - Shelby County Tourism Bureau located at 640 S. Miller St. in Shelbyville - Artist: Andrew Fry; (In progress)
 - Tipton County Chamber of Commerce located at 111 W. Walnut St. in Tipton - Artist: Koda Wistken;
 - Town of Brookville located at 900 Mill St. IN Brookville - Artist: Ross Tuggle; and
 - Town of Churubusco located at 114 S. Main St. in Churubusco - Artist: Bret Keister.
- "It has been so rewarding to see each project reach completion," said Elaine Bedel, IDDC Secretary and CEO.
- "Indiana has a plethora of talented artists, and it has been such a privilege to connect them to local communities to promote what makes each corner of our state special."
- Projects were selected based on location and visibility to Indiana residents and visitors, with preference given to locations in high-view areas and places that create potential photo opportunities.
- To view all the final murals, go to VisitIndiana.com/murals.



Photo courtesy of Purdue University

Provost finalists (from left to right) are Marion K. Underwood, Eric L. Barker and Patrick J. Wolfe.

Provost Finalists Named; Will Make On-Campus Presentations Dec. 7-9

The search committee for Purdue University's next provost has announced the selection of three finalists who will hold open forums on campus in early December.

The committee, led by R. Byron Pipes, the John L. Bray Distinguished Professor of Engineering, reviewed the credentials of 10 applicants and selected the following colleagues at Purdue University as finalists: Eric Barker, the Jeannie and Jim Chaney Dean of the College of Pharmacy; Marion Underwood, Dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences; and Patrick Wolfe, the Frederick L. Hovde Dean of the College of Science.

Throughout most of the last month, the search committee carried out seven listening sessions and opened additional channels for feedback from faculty, students and staff through emails, surveys and anonymous online input.

The next provost will succeed Jay Akridge, who has held the position since July 2017, making him currently the longest-serving provost in the Big Ten. Akridge will step down at the end of 2022 to return to his faculty appointment in the College of Agriculture.

Open forums, where candidates will offer presentations and answer questions, will be held on Dec. 7-9 in Stewart Center's Fowler Hall and will be livestreamed. Each of the three days will also be arranged so that each finalist can meet with faculty, students, staff and other leaders at the university.

Eric L. Barker is the Jeannie and Jim Chaney Dean of the College of Pharmacy and professor of medicinal chemistry and molecular pharmacology at Purdue University.

He previously served as associate dean for research in Purdue's College of Pharmacy since 2010. Barker joined Purdue in 1998 after earning his PhD in pharmacology from Vanderbilt University and completing postdoctoral research at Vanderbilt and Emory universities.

He is a member of several professional associations that include the American Pharmacists Association, Society for Neuroscience, and American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, where he has served in leadership positions for the Neuropharmacology Division. Barker will present Dec. 7 from 10:45-11:45 a.m. in Fowler Hall. The livestream will be at you. be/81sg3g05Hu8.

Marion K. Underwood is the Dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences at Purdue University and Distinguished Professor of Psychological Sciences. She joined Purdue in August 2018 from the University of Texas at Dallas, where she served as dean of graduate studies and associate provost. Underwood graduated from Wellesley College with a bachelor's degree in psychology in 1986. She received her master's and doctoral degrees in clinical psychology from Duke University in 1987 and 1991, respectively.

Underwood began her professional career

in 1991 as an assistant professor of psychology at Reed College in Portland, Oregon, where she earned tenure before moving to the University of Texas at Dallas in 1998. Underwood will present Dec. 8 from 10:45-11:45 a.m. in Fowler Hall. The livestream will be at you. be/YuRXtPzPzPHE.

Patrick J. Wolfe is the Frederick L. Hovde Dean of the College of Science and the Miller Family Professor of Statistics and Computer Science at Purdue University. He was named dean in 2017 after serving as professor of statistics and computer science and EPSRC Established Career Fellow in the Mathematical Sciences at University College London.

Wolfe joined the faculty of University College London in 2012 after teaching at Cambridge and then Harvard. Wolfe graduated from the University of Illinois in electrical engineering and music in 1998, with a 2003 doctorate from Cambridge, where he held a National Science Foundation graduate research fellowship. Wolfe will present Dec. 9 from 10:45-11:45 a.m. in Fowler Hall. The livestream will be at you. be/7PGUj3B3wa4.

A webpage has been set up to capture information related to the provost search. Following the candidate forums, recordings of each will be made available on the webpage, and the campus community will have an opportunity to provide feedback through a survey. More information on the survey will be shared soon.

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9, 15 (virtual), 16 and 23; noon to 5 p.m. Dec. 10, 17, 18; and noon to 4 p.m. Dec. 24.

5. Take a stroll around downtown Noblesville and get your stocking filled with treats and toys from participating businesses from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, sponsored by Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim. Stockings are \$15 each and proceeds benefit Noblesville Youth Assistance Program. Pick up your stocking at Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim at 2 N. Ninth St., on the Square.

6. Shop at Arcadia Christmas Market on Main from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday on Main Street in Arcadia, coinciding with Arcadia tree lighting, Santa's arrival, a chili supper, deejay, choir singing carols, crafts and games, with tree lighting at 7 p.m.

7. Experience Holly Jolly on Main from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. today in downtown Sheridan, with shopping, games, music, food and more.

8. The Federal Hill Commons Ice Plaza is open through Jan. 9 in Noblesville. Rink hours are 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sundays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 24, and closed Christmas Day. Admission includes skate rental, \$13 for ages 13 and older, \$11 for ages 12 and younger. Punch passes are available, 10 skate passes for \$110; 5 skate passes for \$60; skate aid rental \$3. Admission and skate rental are good for all day skating. Skate, take a break, shop, grab lunch and come back to skate later the same day for no additional cost.

9. Enjoy a holiday walking light tour, with displays and holiday photo opportunities, every evening now throughout the holiday season at Federal Hill Commons in Noblesville. A special Santa mailbox will also be available at the Christmas Cottage.

10. Take a drive through the Magic of Lights: Drive-Through Holiday Lights Experience," now open nightly at Ruoff Music Center in Noblesville.

11. While there's a waiting list for Reindeer Rides through Dec. 23 on the Nickel Plate Express in Noblesville, there are still some adult Holiday Cheers rides available this season. Take a 75-minute ride with Santa and see Santa's workshop and cross over Morse Reservoir while singing Christmas carols and sipping hot chocolate, with tickets at nickelplateexpress.com. Also enjoy a night with Santa to support Toys for Tots at 5 p.m. Dec. 15 at Nickel Plate Express.

12. Enjoy Nickel Plate Trail Night Lights with food, music and surprise festivities at 6 p.m. today and Saturday and Dec. 9-10 in downtown Fishers.

13. White River Ballet Co. presents "The Nutcracker" ballet, at 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at Noblesville High School with tickets available at the door. Noblesville Diana Ephlin, a teacher of more than 50 years, owns The Dancin' Place and White River Ballet Co.

14. The Belfry Theatre presents "The Sound of Music" at 8 p.m. today and Saturday and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville and tickets -- \$20 for adults and \$15 for students, ages 65 and older and military -- at thebelfrytheatre.com

15. Take a stroll during A Merry Prairie Holiday outdoor lighting display, Fridays through Sundays, through Dec. 18 and Wednesday and Thursday Dec. 21-22 at Conner Prairie in Fishers, featuring thousands of holiday lights, courtesy of Reynolds Farm Equipment, plus visits to Prairietown, food and more for \$22 per person or \$11 per member. Also, Breakfast with Santa at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Saturdays through Dec. 18, with tickets \$19.95-\$25.95.

16. Shop the Noblesville Main Street Holiday Market 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Federal Hill Commons, with food trucks, ice skating, and holiday vendors.

17. Families can reserve a private 15-minute carriage ride, weekends Dec. 3-18, through downtown



The Times photo courtesy of Betsy Reason

Downtown Noblesville is all decked out for the holidays So join Deck the Downtown beginning at 5 p.m. today with Santa on the Square, Lights Over Seminary (Park) at 10th and Division streets, Midnight Madness (5 p.m. to midnight) at downtown merchants, ice skating at Federal Hill and a trolley to take you everywhere.

Noblesville for \$75 or a carriage ride with Santa for \$125. Carriage rides can seat up to six adults and three to five children on adults' laps (Santa rides seat five adults and three to five children on adults' laps.

18. The Noblesville Christmas Parade is back on in 2022 but has moved to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, on the traditional parade route, starting in the Ivy Tech Hamilton County Campus parking lot in Noblesville and traveling south on 16th Street, west on Logan Street, north on Ninth Street and west on Monument Street back to the college. Nonprofits only are invited to participate in the parade. The parade is part of Mayor Chris Jensen's "Home for the Holidays Tour," which will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday with three parade routes, and another three parade routes on Dec. 5 west of the White River. Nonprofits may register for the 2 p.m. Dec. 4 downtown parade at cityofnoblesville.org/santaparade

19. Our Town Cicero will present a Tree Lighting Festival and Parade with the parade at 6 p.m. Saturday, with a Tree Lighting Festival from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., with 2023 Morse Lake calendars and prints available.

20. Auditions for The Attic Theatre's youth production of "The Little Mermaid," for ages 18 and younger, will be 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Oasis Community Church in Tipton with the performances Feb. 16-18 at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville, with RSVP required for a time slot at rebecca.attictheatre@gmail.com

21. Enjoy a fun night at Ginger's Cafe eating tacos while helping a cause. Join Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers Taco Tuesday 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 6 in support of the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, Riley Children's Health and community youth needs, at Ginger's Cafe on South 10th Street in Noblesville, at a cost of \$15 for adults, \$5 for kids, with tickets from a Sunriser Kiwanian or at Ginger's Cafe at the door. Supports local community youth needs. Face painting, balloon smiles, prizes. Contact Barb Purvis at (317) 437-7657.

22. Enjoy Noblesville Chamber of Commerce's annual holiday luncheon from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 7 featuring Noblesville High School choir singers, with reservations at noblesvillechamber.com/events

23. Make reservations for Noblesville Main Street's Holiday Dinner benefiting the nonprofit from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 8 in the historic Lacy (Arts) Building (former Kirk Hardware) at 848 Logan St., with tickets starting at \$150 for a catered meal and featuring Old Town musician Kelli Ray Yates, a wine pull and auction and more.

24. Hear the wonderful sounds of Noblesville High School choirs during the annual Holiday Concert, themed "Cool Yule," at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 and 2 p.m. Dec. 10, with choirs performing at both concerts but different auditioned student acts at both concerts, at NHS, with \$10 and \$15 reserved seating at nhscpo.org/

25. Enjoy "Christmas at the Playhouse" at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9 and 10 and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 11 at Basile Westfield Playhouse featuring six original one-act plays, "A Requiem for Sherry-last Minute Shop-

pers," "Clara The Christmas Angel," "Holiday Cards," "Garland, Gynos and Gurneys" and Traditions," directed by Nicole Amsler, Kelly Keller and Jen Otterman, with tickets \$12-\$15 and veterans and military free, at westfield-playhouse.org.

26. Enjoy Carmel Community Players' comical collection of stories, songs and vignettes at "Uh-Oh, Here Comes Christmas," with director Kate Hinman, Dec. 9-18, with shows at 7:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Thursday, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, at The Cat in Carmel, with \$18 tickets, and \$16 for ages 62 and older and students, at carmelplayers.org

27. Bring your family to Breakfast with Santa at 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 10 at Sheridan Elementary School. Enjoy breakfast brisket tacos from True Texan BBQ, biscuits and gravy and French toast sticks, and Christmas shop from more than 25 vendors.

28. Enjoy Fun with Mrs. Claus for ages 3-7 at 10 a.m. Dec. 10 at Adrienes Flowers & Gifts in Noblesville, with Santa's favorite food, cookies and punch, storytime, singing and making a craft. Bring a letter to Santa with your Christmas list to drop in Santa's mailbox and also canned or nonperishable food item for the First Presbyterian Church's food pantry next door. Preregistration required for the event by calling (317) 773-6065.

29. Experience a Living Nativity with drive-thru experience with real animals from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 10 at Cornerstone Lutheran Church in Fishers.

30. Hear the Noblesville First UMC Chancel Choir during a Christmas Festival of Music & Art at 6 p.m. Dec. 11 at the church, with a Janus Art Sale, following by a Christmas concert at 7 p.m., with free admission.

31. Hum along as The Attic Theatre presents "Hello Dolly!" musical at 7 p.m. Dec. 14-17 at Ivy Tech with show times at \$12 tickets, \$8 for ages 4-12, tickets at theatrictheatre.com.

32. If you love dance, experience EnPointe Indiana Ballet's best as the studio presents "An EnPointe Christmas" at 7 p.m. Dec. 16 and 2 p.m. Dec. 17 at Noblesville High School Auditorium, with tickets, at \$10, available at enpointe.yapsody.com. The show features 108 dancers and more than 25 dance numbers with a mix of classical and contemporary ballet, jazz, tap, hip hop, modern, plus a nine-minute finale to a playful rendition of "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

33. Hear Fishers 21-year-old vocalist Peter Fulton perform during Carmel Christkindlmarkt in downtown Carmel at 5 p.m. Dec. 20, 8 p.m. Dec. 21 with Songbook Academy, 2 p.m. Dec. 22, 5 p.m. Dec. 27 and 29 and 8 p.m. Dec. 30, all 45-minute sets.

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

Save the Date in January 2023: The Underdog Theatre presents "The Choices We Make," an original one-act play written and directed by Clay Howard, a 2022 Noblesville High School graduate, and featuring students, on stage for three performances, at 7 p.m. Jan. 6 and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Jan. 7, at the Noblesville First United Methodist Church in Celebration Hall. Visit www.underdogtheatre.org

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decision to have a weather-related school delay or cancellation is rarely an easy one and is often made in tandem with our local, county, and state partners. Ice, snow, fog, a power outage, and other things all play a role in the decision. However, the primary factor in our decision to delay or cancel school is based foremost on student and staff safety.

Decisions to delay or close school are made as early as possible and usually before 6:00 a.m. If the decision to close is made, we will shift to our synchronous e-Learning format. In preparation for possible delays and closures in the months ahead, stay weather aware and up to date at the corporation's social media sites: Twitter (@hhschuskies), Facebook (facebook.com/hhschuskies), website (hhschuskies.org) and/or local media outlets.

Our newest monthly

video update (Vol. 84) has been posted. Learn about our amazing Student Activity Center historical display, an awesome 4th grader, our incredible high school students doing great things, our conference-winning 8th grade volleyball team, and how our art students added their special touch to a crosswalk in downtown Arcadia. Watch it online at youtube.com/watch?v=6KQZzhWzZnU.

With the season of giving upon us I had another reminder of why our school district is so incredible. It's because of people like Tom Jarvis. Tom is a retired educator (Muncie Community Schools) who moved to Cicero about two and a half years ago. It didn't take him long to share his talents with Heights as a volunteer with the Teach 1 to Lead 1 (TIL1) program and our high school athletic department or transform neighbors into friends and

extended family at his new home in the Villas of Tamarack.

Last week, Tom stopped by our school buildings and took 100 tags from our Angel Trees on behalf of the villa residents. The program provides new clothing and toys to Heights' children in need. He also invited me to attend the villa's first Christmas gathering on Sunday where the residents will bring their wrapped gifts for the Angel Tree along with non-perishable food donations. I look forward to going and meeting more of my extended Heights family who call the Villas of Tamarack home. Thank you Tom and to all the villa residents for helping children in our own backyard to feel all the love and joy the Christmas spirit embodies. #WeAreHuskies

Dr. Derek Arrowood is the Superintendent of the Hamilton Heights School Corporation.

ROUSE

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sparkle, he will do an acrylic pour from top to bottom to give the air of snow coming down. Acrylic pouring is also new to Rouse, having only experimented one other time with smooth and circular surfaces.

"I'm anxious to see how this works. I'm going to play a bit with glitter to see what it does - but I'm guessing it will enhance the image," he says.

While these new artistic experiments will be featured in his exhibit, Rouse's signature mixed media style will still be included.

"Instead of aiming mostly for things that people hadn't seen before, I want people to see what I love. The mixed media that I do allows me to do that relatively quickly," Rouse says.

Most importantly, he says he wants his exhibit to be fun - taking the viewer back to looking at things differently, covered in a magical layer of snow. Come take a stroll through Snow Globe and see what Rouse loves in his winter wonderland of art.

The exhibit began



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Artist Mark Rouse's work Gold Christmas.

Wednesday and will run through New Year's Eve.

See the full Snow Globe exhibit in the Stephenson House Wednesday-Friday from 12-5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Meet Rouse at his free public reception on Dec. 17 from 2-5 p.m. in the Stephenson House on the Nickel Plate Arts campus.

Artwork, including from Rouse, can be purchased by contacting Nickel Plate Arts or by ordering online from NickelPlateArts.org/

exhibits.

About Nickel Plate Arts:

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Ask Rusty – For Some Simple Guidance About Medicare

Dear Rusty: I'm nearing 68 years old, have never signed up for Medicare but thinking that I should look into it. I'm currently covered by my wife's health insurance through her employer. I would greatly appreciate some simple guidance regarding Medicare. I've tried watching some videos about the subject, but it was always so boring that I never finished watching. I get lost in all the Part This & Part That. I would just like some solid insight into the coverage that I truly need & the cost. Signed: Confused

Dear Confused: Medicare is, indeed, a confusing topic, but I'll try to clear it all up for you. Think of it this way – Medicare has two main parts – one which provides coverage for in-patient hospitalization services (that's called Part A) and another which covers outpatient

services like doctors, medical tests, etc. (that's called Part B). Part A is usually free (if you're getting or will get Social Security), but there is a monthly premium for Part B. For 2023, the monthly Part B premium will be \$164.90, and that's either deducted from your Social Security payment, or paid directly to Medicare if you're not yet collecting Social Security.

There are deductibles and copays for both Part A and Part B, so they don't cover 100% of your healthcare expenses - they generally cover about 80% of specific types of medical services, after deductibles are satisfied. The deductibles aren't high - \$226 for Part B and \$1600 for Part A - but that still leaves you with some uncovered healthcare costs under Medicare. And for those uncovered costs, many people choose to get additional private coverage, known as a



ASK RUSTY
Social Security Advisor

"Medigap" (or Medicare Supplement) plan, or a Medicare Advantage plan (which is usually called Medicare "Part C"). This additional coverage isn't mandatory, but usually prudent to have.

The standard age for enrolling in Medicare is age 65, but if you have other "creditable" healthcare coverage from your wife's employer you can defer enrolling in Medicare until that employer coverage ends or is about to end. Having that "creditable" employer coverage after age 65 protects you from

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incurring a Late Enrollment Penalty for enrolling in Medicare after age 65. From what you've written (assuming your employer coverage is "creditable") you can enroll in Medicare at any time now without a penalty for enrolling after 65. You can enroll online at ssa.gov/medicare, or by calling Social Security at 1 (800) 772-1213.

Medicare Part A and Part B do not include coverage for prescription drugs. For that, you would need to acquire a private Prescription Drug plan (called

Medicare Part D), if you wish such coverage after age 65 and after your employer drug coverage ends. Part D plans aren't usually expensive – in the \$15 - \$50 per month range - depending on the specific plan and drug "formulary" (the amounts the plan pays for each type of drug). To sort all of this out and figure out your best options for additional coverage, you may wish to contact AMAC's Medicare department (amac.us/medicare) and speak with a Medicare insurance specialist.

To recap, in your

personal circumstances you are eligible to enroll in Medicare without penalty, even though you're now 68, because you have had "creditable" healthcare coverage through your wife's employer since you were 65 ("creditable" is a group plan with at least 20 participants). You can also simply stay on that employer plan if you wish, and only enroll in Medicare when your employer coverage ends or is about to end. At that time, you will enter a Medicare Special Enrollment Period during which you can enroll in Medicare without incurring a late enrollment penalty. The bottom line? If your current coverage from your wife's employer is creditable and suits your current needs, you can wait until that coverage ends to enroll in Medicare. The only caveat is that you must take free Medicare Part A if you collect Social Security after age 65.

12 Angry Pilgrims (Reach A Settlement)

"All rise! The case of Chief Ousamequin of the Wampanoag Indians v. The Pilgrims is now in session. The honorable Willie B. Upright presiding."

Judge Upright: "Before I discharge you to the Jury Room, I want to remind jurors that there is to be no discussion of this case beyond this courtroom."

Juror Five: "Does that mean, Your Honor, that we can't even talk about it in the loo? I need to go to the loo."

Judge Upright: "No. You cannot discuss these proceedings with anyone other than fellow jurors. Let me remind the jury that before you is the case of whether to continue perpetuating -- in our public schools -- the Thanksgiving story of 1620; whether it is appropriate to have children dress up in long black skirts and white shirts, wear craft store feather headdresses and don black construction paper hats; whether it is proper to retell the Thanksgiving story, passed down through generations -- the story of Native Americans welcoming the courageous pioneering Pilgrims to a celebratory feast, when evidence, today, indicates that the story is plagued with inaccuracies and falsehoods. I discharge you to your deliberations."

Juror Six: "I'm glad that's over. All this better not make me late for Thanksgiving dinner. I told everyone I'd be there by noon. I still think we can wrap this up in time."

Juror One: "Don't be in such a hurry. We haven't even elected a foreman, yet."

Juror Five: "Did any of you see the loo when we came down the hallway? I had the oysters at the Plymouth Tavern, and I really need to find the loo."

Juror Ten: "I nominate Juror Four as foreman. He's the only one in the room who knows how to use 'thee' and 'thou' properly."



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With The Grain

Juror Six: "Why bother with a foreman? It is obvious that the Pilgrims are innocent. These sad Puritans were tired of getting picked on for their religious beliefs back in England, and someone had the crazy notion of sailing across the ocean to get away. To me, they should be admired for their daring."

Juror Nine: "Do they serve snacks in here? I'm hungry."

Juror Seven: "Yeah, but the Pilgrims brought all kinds of diseases with them that overwhelmed the Native American's immune systems."

Juror Six: "That's hardly the Pilgrims' fault! They didn't plan on it. Viruses weren't even discovered until 1898, some 278 years later. They had no way of knowing. That's like blaming some dude for showing up at his wedding, and learning that his ex-wife is Matron of Honor. It's horrible, but did he really have a say in it?"

Juror Eleven: "Did anyone wonder why there are no women on this jury?"

Juror Three: "Not now, Eleven! By the way, that's a smart-looking belt buckle you have there. Gucci?"

Juror Seven: "The Pilgrims ultimately cheated the Wampanoags out of much of their land and resources. The Wampanoags consider Thanksgiving to be a day of mourning, not celebration. They should get reparations."

Juror Six: "That's just business. It wasn't the Pilgrims' fault that the locals

weren't great business people. Next you'll be blaming Elon Musk for ruining Twitter!"

Juror Twelve: "But the Native Americans were friendly to the Pilgrims. They offered them peace."

Juror Six: "Only because the Wampanoags were getting their butts kicked by the Narragansetts. The Pilgrims were partly welcomed because their alliance shifted the balance of power with their rivals."

Juror Nine: "Does anyone smell gravy?"
Juror Twelve: "None of that matters. It's about the kids."

Juror Two: "I still have my construction paper Pilgrims hat. Wanna see it?"

Judge Upright: "Mr. Foreman, has the jury reached a decision?"

Juror Four: "We the jury, after careful consideration, find in favor of The Future."

Judge Upright: "You what?"

Juror Four: "Yes, Your Honor. It is the belief of this jury that we should not, must not, ignore the past. That we live in a chaotic and sometimes punishing world. That all men and women are created equal, but circumstances nearly always belie that fact. That the first act of peace is always forgiveness. That being truly thankful for who we are, and what we have starts with the full understanding of the costs paid and the debts owed to others. That our children should know that one scene does not tell the whole story. And that it is important to hope, even if reality often disappoints us."

Judge Upright: "Thank you, jury, for your careful discernment. Was this decision unanimous?"

Juror Four: "We voted 11-0. We couldn't find Juror Five. We're pretty sure he was in the loo."

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