

TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.



FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Denise Tague smile? "Family and friends," said the 65-year-old, a manager at Alexander's On the Square in downtown Noblesville. She's worked at the sandwich, salad and ice-cream shop since 1999. She said Alexander's soups are made from scratch, and her favorites are chili, potato and kielbasa. Her favorite ice cream flavor? "Moose Tracks, a vanilla ice cream with fudge swirled in with peanut-butter cups." Growing up, her grandmother called her "Ice Cream Kid" and always kept vanilla ice cream on hand. She enjoys watching girls high school basketball and women's college Tennessee Lady Vols, for which she has been a fan since 1987, and reconnected with her own high school basketball coach, Sharon Eskew. Born in Noblesville and raised in Carmel, the 1975 Carmel High School graduate played girls basketball at CHS and played three years at Ball State University, where she also ran track for one year. She lives in Noblesville, where she was born at Riverview Hospital, and is a season-ticket holder for Indiana Fever, likes geocaching, and volunteers at the food pantry for White River Christian Church in Noblesville. She became involved in the food pantry through her parents, John and Roberta Tague of Noblesville. Her usual resolutions for the New Year? "Spend more time with loved ones and friends. Make a bucket list. Volunteer more."

And Another Few Things...

1. Young Professionals

Join Westfield Young Professionals as they start 2023 the right way - meet other young professionals, and hear from our panelists on how they plan and organize their time and priorities to maximize their success. The Coffee & Networking event will be next Tuesday from 8-9 a.m. at The Bridgewater Club. Westfield Welcome Director Kayla Arnold, Thea Snelly of The Zulu Group and Grand Park Director Matt Trniani will speak. This event is free but registration is required; register online at business.westfieldchamberindy.com/event-calendar/Details/january-yp-coffee-and-networking-812443

2. Fabric Art Show

The Fabric Arts Show will take place in Noblesville (location to be announced), with an opening reception on Aug. 4 during First Friday events. The People's Choice Awards ceremony will take place on Sept. 1.

The Fabric Arts Show includes two categories for entry: 1.) heirloom or antique, and 2.) modern or newly created. To be considered for the show, pieces must have a Hamilton County connection either through subject, maker, history or current owner. Show sponsors encourage artistic interpretations of Hamilton County's history through new pieces of fabric art.

Applicants may submit more than one piece. The deadline for submission is July 22. Applicants can complete a form to submit their pieces for consideration beginning Monday.

3. Comet Coming!

Want to see a comet with your naked eye? Well, you just might get your chance soon. Comet C/2022 E3 (ZTF) will be closest to our planet on Feb. 1 and Feb. 2. According to the good folks at space.com, if the comet continues to get brighter, we just might be able to look up and see it. And even if it fades a bit, we should still be able to use binoculars or a telescope around then. Go to space.com for more information.

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Live Music, Game Night, Underdog Theatre and Last Weekend on Ice



BETSY REASON The Times Editor

Christmas has been here and gone, and we're ready to start enjoying activities in the New Year.

Here are 15 things to do this weekend and beyond:

- 1. Head out to RoundTripper Academy in Westfield for Rally for A Cause, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. today for inflatables, crafts, balloon artist, face painter and food and drink trucks, with live music Country Summer at 7 p.m., Jail Baker 3 at 10 p.m., line dancing with Cowboy Jason, food and drink trucks. Admission from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. is free with donations welcome, and \$50 after 7 p.m. to benefit The Miracle League of Westfield.
2. Join the First Friday Game Night in Noblesville from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at the Lacy Arts Building on Logan Street in downtown Noblesville. Board games will be provided by Moonshot Games in Noblesville, plus Treebeard Toys will offer games, Caravan Classes will lead Spin art. Reserve your seats on Eventbrite.
3. Celebrate Noblesville's First Friday from 6 p.m. to 9

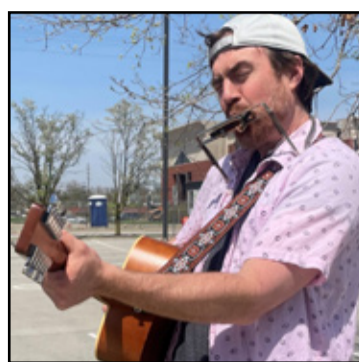
p.m. today at the Nickel Plate Arts Campus, with new exhibits, refreshments and a cash bar, tonight featuring Phocus on Photography exhibit and Alice Lee's special showcase "Do Art No Matter What" and live music by Andy Schomburg.

4. The Federal Hill Commons Ice Plaza is open through Sunday in Noblesville. Rink hours are 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. today and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. 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.

5. 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 NHS students, on stage for three performances, at 7 p.m. today and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday at the Noblesville First United Methodist Church in Celebration Hall. The play follows four students from four walks of life who skipped school and the reasons they skipped as explained to the school principal. Tickets are \$5 cash or \$7 credit/debit at the door. Visit underdogtheatre.org

6. Put on your cutest pajamas, grab your favorite teddy bear and an old blanket and get ready for Pajama-Rama at 7 p.m. today at Hamilton County Parks' Cool Creek Park & Nature Center in Westfield, with music by Moriah Music. Register at Hamilton County Parks' website.

7. Enjoy live music with



The Times photo courtesy of Betsy Reason

Celebrate Noblesville's First Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at the Nickel Plate Arts Campus, with live music by Andy Schomburg.



Photo courtesy of Craig Thurston

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8. Hear The 78's band perform at 7 p.m. today at Hotel Carmichael in Carmel and 7 p.m. Saturday at The Boat-house.

9. Westfield Winter Farmers Market kicks off on Saturday and continues from 9 a.m. to noon weekly through April 1 at West Fork Westfield Event Center on East 191st Street.

10. Firelight Theater Guild and Wisdom Builders Community Theater present "The Play That Goes Wrong" at 7 p.m. today, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and at 3 p.m. Sunday at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville. Tickets are \$19 at

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Fadness to Run for 2nd Term

Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness announced yesterday that he will seek a second term as Mayor in the 2023 election.

Since becoming Mayor in 2015, Fadness has led Fishers to become one of the most sought-after communities in the country with transformative economic growth and quality-of-life investments. In his next term, he promises further investments in quality-of-life amenities, economic development and operational efficiencies.

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Dr. Arrowood Looking Forward to A New Year



DR. DEREK ARROWOOD HHSO Superintendent

Happy New Year! As we greet a new calendar year, we also welcome in the second semester of our school year which always seems to fly by with a flurry of activities. We have the continuation of winter sports, winter homecoming, spring sports, spring break, year-end awards, band and choral concerts, prom, and culminate the year with graduation on June 3.

Over the break I couldn't help

but reflect on our progresses made in the first semester as we prepare students for success in college, career, and life. We will continue to build upon that positive momentum for the remainder of the school year.

It is our staff who work diligently to create a joyful environment that promotes curiosity and fosters academic, social-emotional, and behavioral growth. Heights' students grow in competence across subject areas from year to year, and along the way, they build confidence, develop opinions, and gain skills to test and support their theories. We know that the blend of academic and social-emotional

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Noblesville Man Hit and Killed on I-65

(Story from WTHR) A 25-year-old man from Noblesville was killed in a crash in northwest Indiana Wednesday.

Miles Williams was outside of his vehicle near the 230 mile-marker of Interstate 65 southbound around 9:45 a.m. when he and his Nissan Altima were hit by a southbound Chevrolet Equinox, state police said. Williams suffered severe injuries and died at the scene.

Investigators said Williams had pulled off of the left side of the interstate after his passenger-side rear tire went flat. He parked partially in the grass, but

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HONEST HOOSIER

From 30 and 40 below wind chills to 50 and even 60 degrees ... Indiana weather never ceases to amaze!



TODAY'S QUOTE

"No river can return to its source, yet all rivers must have a beginning."

- American Indian proverb

TODAY'S JOKE

There is a fine line between a numerator and a denominator (and only a fraction will get this joke).

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Listen to your body - If it hurts, your body is telling you to rest it. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7.com.



OBITUARIES

Ronald Charles Morse

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank DEANA R. MICKELS for subscribing!



Fishers Announces Celebration for MLK Day, National Day of Service

The City of Fishers will expand its annual MLK Day celebration in 2023 with a community-wide food drive on Jan. 16. In addition, the City will host volunteer opportunities throughout the holiday weekend to encourage residents to give back during the National Day of Service.

With local food pantries experiencing an increase in demand and decrease in supply after the busy holiday season, the City of Fishers has partnered with Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County to replenish these resources. On Jan. 16, food donations will be collected with a Pack the Bus event at eight Fishers park properties in conjunction with HSE Schools, and at the city's three Kroger stores between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Residents can also order donations and

have them delivered directly to the City through an Amazon Wish List. A list of donation needs is available for [ThisIsFishers.com/MLK](https://thisisfishers.com/mlk). This event is supported by partners Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County, Memory Ventures, Kroger, and HSE Schools.

- Food drop locations include:
- Brooks School Park: 11780 Brooks School Rd.
 - Cyntheanne Park: 12383 Cyntheanne Rd.
 - Flat Fork Creek Park: 16141 E. 101st St.
 - Harrison Thompson Park: 13573 Conner Knoll Pkwy
 - Nickel Plate District Amphitheater: 6 Municipal Dr.
 - Holland Park: 1 Park Dr.
 - Saxony Hall: 13362 Pennington Rd.
 - Heritage Park: 10595 Eller Rd.



- Kroger: 9799 E. 116th St.
 - Kroger: 11700 Olio Rd.
 - Kroger: 7272 Fishers Crossing Dr.
- For residents looking to give back through volunteerism, opportunities are available throughout the weekend around Fishers, including onsite support to assist with the food drive. Other opportunities including onion seed planting at the Fishers AgriPark and a Christmas tree mulch spread at Billericay Park.
- Along with opportunities to give back, Conner Prairie and the Hamilton East Public Library will host special programming in honor of Dr. King. Conner

Prairie will host a free admission day on Jan. 16 with special programming focused on identity, belonging, community, and love.

Conner Prairie is currently hosting a Be Love essay contest for students to win a Conner Prairie membership. Submissions are due today. Hamilton East Public Library has partnered with HSE Schools to host Living the Dream: A Community Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther, King Jr. on Jan. 15 from 1-2 p.m. at the Fishers Library. This free event will bring together students and staff from HSE Schools, community members, and City leaders to honor Dr. King's legacy.

Learn more about the MLK Day celebration and register for volunteer opportunities at [ThisIsFishers.com/MLK](https://thisisfishers.com/mlk)

Indiana Chief Justice to Deliver State of the Judiciary on Wednesday

Indiana Chief Justice Loretta H. Rush will address the Governor and a joint session of the Indiana General Assembly for the annual State of the Judiciary. The formal update on the work of the judicial branch will be held next Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the chamber of the Indiana House of Representatives.

The Chief Justice is required to provide lawmakers with an update on the "condition of the courts" according to Article 7, Section 3, of the Indiana Constitution. The 2023 address Indiana Courts as Engines of Economic Development, Fairness, and Public

Safety will focus on how the courts help to make Indiana an attractive state for economic development and how the courts serve as a crucial protector of public safety.

The address will be webcast live at courts.in.gov. Indiana Public Broadcasting Stations (IPBS) will also air the address.

It is the policy of the Supreme Court that all Court public meetings and events be accessible to people with disabilities. Sign language interpretation will be provided. If further accommodation is needed, you may send requests to heather.falks@courts.in.gov.

Grant to Improve Quality, Access and Cost of Early Childhood Care, Education

The Indiana Family and Social Services Administration Office of Early Childhood and Out-of-School Learning, in partnership with the Indiana Department of Education Office of Kindergarten Readiness, has been awarded a \$42 million federal grant.

These dollars will be used over three years to implement programmatic changes that will improve Indiana's capacity to recruit early educators, increase access to early learning opportunities for students in unserved areas and ultimately, support families as they make important decisions regarding their child's education.

"These funds come at a key time as Indiana has built the foundation for innovation through the collaborative partnership of FSSA, IDOE and the Early Learning Advisory Committee. Together we are uniquely prepared to best serve children and families across the state," said Maureen Weber, chairwoman of the Early Learning Advisory Committee.

The three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will award \$14 million annually to FSSA, which partnered with the Indiana Department of Education on the grant application.

Combined with FSSA's \$4.2 million annual investment as matching funds required by the grant, \$54.6 million will be leveraged in total to accelerate and build Indiana's capacity to implement long-lasting change, including:

- Building upon stakeholders' understanding of the needs, gaps and inequities in Indiana's birth-through-age-5 mixed delivery system, especially as they relate to underserved populations
- Refreshing Indiana's birth-through-age-5 strategic plan to reflect the current environment and the existing opportunities to drive system-level change
- Amplifying the voices of families in decision-making and introducing new services and educational supports that empower them as their child's first and most important teacher

- Introducing new workforce recruitment and career pathways, building the operational capacity of early childhood care and education providers and enhancing workforce conditions and compensation
- Strengthening instructional practices, quality measures and birth-to-age 8 coordination efforts
- Investing in the expansion of high-quality programs in underserved geographies

The funding will build upon key work already underway to improve the early learning infrastructure in Indiana. New state legislation championed by Gov. Eric J. Holcomb restructured and expanded Indiana's Early Learning Advisory Committee, and Gov. Holcomb also launched a new Office of Kindergarten Readiness within IDOE to work in partnership with OECOSL to ensure the early learning experiences children receive are effectively readying them for school.

In September 2022, new early learning policy goals were established by ELAC to ensure Hoosier children, especially those most underserved, have access to early learning opportunities that prepare them with the skills required to thrive in kindergarten.

Versiti Blood Center of Indiana Issues Emergency Appeal for Blood Donations

Versiti Blood Center of Indiana has issued an emergency appeal for blood donation. With less than a day's supply of lifesaving blood on the shelves for Indiana hospitals, patients' lives are at risk.

Versiti saw a significant decline in donations during the holiday season, and the downward trend continues as the region navigates ongoing winter weather. Unfortunately, the need for blood does not take a holiday, and more patients than ever before require lifesaving blood as part of their treatment.

"As we welcome the new year, we are seeing an uptick in emergency room visits and trauma patients requiring mass blood transfusions, decimating the blood supply," said Dr. Dan Waxman, vice president of transfusion medicine and senior medical director at Versiti. "Available blood across the state is dangerously low, and we are asking those who are able to make an appointment to donate



today and to encourage a friend or family member to do the same."

How is Blood Used?

- One in seven patients entering a hospital requires blood products.
- This ranges from trauma victims to patients battling sickle cell disease, Thalassemia, or those receiving an organ or bone marrow transplant.
- Cancer patients use 25 percent of all blood donations, and blood transfusions are needed in one out of every 83 newborn deliveries in America today. This rate has increased by more than 50 percent between 2006 and 2015. The list goes on.
- All of us are likely to know someone who has needed or will need blood.
- One donation of blood has the potential to save up

to three lives.

All blood types are needed, with types O-positive and O-negative most in demand. O-positive is the most common blood type, while O-negative blood is the universal type that can be received safely by all patients in emergencies when the blood type is unknown.

To schedule an appointment to donate blood, call (317) 916-5150 or visit versiti.org.

- Donor center locations:
- **Indianapolis:** 3450 N. Meridian St.
 - **Fishers:** 11005 Allisonville Rd.
 - **Carmel:** 726 Adams St., Suite 150
 - **Greenwood:** 8739 U.S. 31 South
 - **Terre Haute:** 2021 S. Third St.
 - **Lafayette:** 2200

Elmwood Ave., Suite D-16

Donating blood takes about an hour. Anyone age 17 or older in good health who meets eligibility requirements is encouraged to give. Parental consent is required for donors age 16 to donate blood. Donors should bring a photo ID that includes their birth date.

About Versiti Blood Center of Indiana: More than 65,000 Indiana residents each year give over 130,000 blood products through Versiti Blood Center of Indiana, formerly Indiana Blood Center, a non-profit organization founded in 1952 that operates blood donation centers in Indianapolis, Fishers, Carmel, Greenwood, Lafayette and Terre Haute.

The center also operates thousands of mobile and community blood drives each year throughout the state. Versiti provides a continuous, safe supply of blood and clinical services to more than 100 Indiana hospitals and their patients.

Those Who Are Grieving and Suffering Loss



GLENN MOLLETTE
Columnist

Throughout the years, many of us watched Barbara Walters from NBC to ABC. I always tried to watch her special interviews. Often, the people she interviewed on primetime television specials were "the" high profile people at that given time. She became the highest paid journalist of her day being the first to sign a million-dollar contract with ABC.

Regardless of what we do in life we are still confronted by difficulties that often debilitate us. Walters had survived her own personal struggles, like we all do,

including 37 divorces. Unfortunately, her reported battle with dementia took its toll on her health. We can all accomplish much in life. Maybe not as much as Walters or maybe even more. Regardless, there is much about life we can't do anything about other than try to deal with it and do the best we can.

At least 37 people died from the recent winter storm in Buffalo, New York. Families are grieving. Hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, freezing temperatures, and snow have wreaked devastation on our country in the last twelve months. Loss of life can come from disease, weather, accidents or unconsciously by design.

We all have been horrified by the death of four college students in Moscow, Idaho. It's been beyond us how four beautiful people could be stabbed to death in their beds reportedly between 3:00 and 4:00 in the morning. A young man who is a student at nearby Washington

State University on the Pullman campus has been arrested at his parents' house in Albrightsville, Pennsylvania. Moscow police believe they now have the murderer in custody.

How anyone could commit such a heinous crime is beyond our comprehension. I'm sure it was beyond the scope of thought for these innocent young adults. We never know who is taking note of our lives, whereabouts and activities. Regardless of how calm and safe your community seems you can't take anything for granted. Lock your doors. Lock your bedroom door. Keep your handgun on your lampstand and try your best to create an environment that protects you as much as possible. With so many people sleeping in the rental house in Moscow, I'm sure these young college students felt safe. What appeared to be safe for them became an opportunity for an evil mind.

Typically, the attacker

has the element of surprise on his side. It's always best to try to think ahead. Sadly, four Idaho University students were killed by someone who planned, plotted, and was patient enough to find the right moment to carry out the murders.

Accepting and dealing with what we cannot change is one thing. Preparing for life but rolling with the punches, the turns and twists is another. Being watchful, careful, and never taking anything for granted could make the difference between life and death.

Pray for these families and all the many friends and loved ones as they grieve and suffer from such devastating loss.

Dr. Glenn Mollette is the author of 13 books including UncommSense, the Spiritual Chocolate series and Grandpa's Store. His column is published weekly in over 600 publications in all 50 states. Visit GlennMollette.com to subscribe, learn about his books and more.

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ISO Announces Su-Han Yang as New Assistant Conductor

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra announced Su-Han Yang will become Assistant Conductor beginning in early 2023. In this capacity, he will host the ISO's Words on Music pre-concert discussions, conduct the ISO's annual Discovery Concerts, and assist Classical Series conductors during rehearsals.



music of Britten, Barber, and Nielsen this January.

"We are delighted to welcome Su-Han Yang to the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra," said James M. Johnson, CEO.

"Su-Han's dedication to performing at the highest artistic level makes him the perfect fit for our talented orchestra. The ISO is also grateful to Jacob Joyce for his contributions to the pursuit of musical excellence as Resident Conductor at the ISO."

"After just a few minutes of working with the ISO during the audition, I felt an immense joy making music with the orchestra. I am so grateful and very much looking forward to collaborating with the ISO," said Yang.

Yang takes the reins from former ISO Resident Conductor Jacob Joyce, who served for four years in the role. Joyce is now Assistant Conductor of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra and Music Director of the Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra.

Joyce will conduct the ISO in concerts featuring the

music of Britten, Barber, and Nielsen this January.

Yang currently serves as Associate Conductor of Taiwan Philharmonic (the National Symphony Orchestra of Taiwan). He won the First Prize in the 10th International Grzegorz Fitelberg Competition for Conductors in 2017 and received numerous invitations to collaborate with the Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra, the Hungarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, the Sinfonia Varsovia, the Silesian Philharmonic, the Polish Baltic Philharmonic, the Kraków Philharmonic, the Łódź Philharmonic, the Pomeranian Philharmonic, the Brandenburger Symphoniker, the Polish Sinfonia Iuventus Orchestra, the Gliwice Chamber Orchestra, the Capella Bydgoszczensis and many others.

Since 2016 he has regularly conducted the Camerata Taiwan in their annual concert tour of Taiwan and took them on a three-concert tour of Germany in 2022.

In 2022 he conducted Humperdinck's Opera



Su-Han Yang

"Hänsel und Gretel" at the National Taichung Theater, and returned to the Taiwan International Festival of Arts by giving a concert with the Taiwan Philharmonic. Recently he conducted two programs of contemporary music at the 2022 Weiwuying International Music Festival. His appearances at music festivals also include the Festival of Polish Music in Kraków, the Classica Nova in Gdynia, the Taipei International New Music Festival, and the Asian Composers League's Conference and Festival.

He was one of the two conductors selected for the Mentoring Program of Peter Eötvös Contemporary Music Foundation in 2018. In 2017, Yang was invited to study with ISO Artistic Advisor Jun Märkl at the Conducting Academy of Pacific Music Festival in Sapporo. He was the chosen conductor to work with Riccardo Muti on the production

of Verdi's Falstaff at the Italian Opera Academy in 2015.

He graduated from the Hochschule für Musik Hanns Eisler Berlin, the National Taiwan Normal University, and the Tunghai University, where he studied conducting with Prof. Christian Ehwald, Prof. Hans-Dieter Baum, Prof. Apo Hsu, and Prof. Annie Chung. In conducting masterclasses, he worked with Peter Gülke, Shao-Chia Lü, Jorma Panula, Peter Rundel, Yuri Simonov, and many others.

About the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra:

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, at home and thriving in the heart of Indianapolis, offers an exceptional artistic and musical experience. The orchestra is open to all and dedicated to creating an inclusive and innovative experiential environment that is inspiring, educational, and welcoming. The ISO celebrates historically beloved performances while engaging audiences by introducing new voices through programming including the DeHaan Classical Series, the Printing Partners Pops Series, the holiday traditions of AES Indiana Yuletide Celebration, and the popular Film Series presented by Bank of America. For more information, visit www.indianapolisymphony.org

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Photo courtesy of Clay Howard

The Underdog Theatre presents "The Choices We Make," an original one-act play written and directed by Clay Howard (back left), a 2022 Noblesville High School graduate, co-directed by NHS student Sean Wood (back right) and featuring NHS students Nolan Campbell (back, second from left), Rory Jones, Lucy Stambaugh and Steve Miles; and crew, Laiken Charpie (front, from left), Roux Carney and J Herold, at 7 p.m. today and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday at the Noblesville First United Methodist Church. Tickets are at the door.

wntheater.com.

11. Start off the New Year with a stimulating conversation as Noblesville Preservation Alliance partners with Noblesville Diversity Coalition to offer another in its Community Conversation Series, for "Noblesville's Identity," 6 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Jan. 11 at NPA's Preservation Hall on Logan Street in Old Town Noblesville.

12. Try your hand at painting during a Winter Landscape Painting party at 1 p.m. Jan. 14 at Hamilton County Parks' Strawtown Koteewi Park and The Taylor Center of Natural History in Noblesville, with registration at Hamilton County Parks' website.

13. Hyperion Players' auditions for "God of Carnage," directed by Nicole Amsler of Noblesville, will be at 7 p.m. Jan. 15-16 at Allisonville Christian Church on Indianapolis' northside for

performances March 10-12 at The Switch Theatre in Fishers. Questions, email nicole.r.amsler@gmail.com.

14. The 2023 Festival of Ice features carving demonstrations by professional ice carvers on Jan. 20 in the Carmel Arts & Design District and on Jan. 21 at The Ice at Carter Green, with a Carmel Fire Department chili cook-off, and then on Jan. 22 a fast-paced carve-off on stage, skating to a live deejay and more at The Ice at Carter Green.

15. Auditions for Hamilton County Theatre's Guild's The Belfry Theatre production of "The Great Gatsby," directed by Andrea Odle, are 6:30 p.m. Jan. 29-30 at Arts for Lawrence's Theater at the Fort in Indianapolis, for the March 17-26 show, with more info at thebelfrytheatre.com

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rigor is fundamental to success at school and in the workplace.

The overall education and learning experiences provided at Heights will carry our students well into adulthood with the capability to shape better lives for themselves and a better world for all. Our mission is our driving force to ensure that what each child is learning here today will afford them the capabilities of contributing to a better, more compassionate world tomorrow.

Speaking of good things at Heights, over the break, we released our monthly video update, Vol. 85. It's one you won't want to miss. In this edition, you'll hear about groups

giving back to our community, a HHHS alum who won a big award in New Mexico, how our Boys Basketball team celebrates our staff, and how our HHMS students will show off our community history in 2023. Check it out online at youtube.com/watch?v=AP_wImMlvhY.

I would like to give a shout out to HHHS' DECA chapter which was among 525 chapters across the country that achieved THRIVE level recognition this year. The chapter earned the recognition by completing two out of three-chapter campaigns including the community service campaign, ethical leadership campaign, and promotional campaign.

The DECA organization is comprised of marketing students that manage and operate the Husky Fan Shop.

The Hamilton Heights DECA members who contributed to the THRIVE recognition were Hannah Smallwood, Lydia Lytle, Melissa Lovell, Alex Rickey, Micah Colvin, Aidan Orton, Elijah Bowers, Tanner Orton, Gavin Poland, with the assistance of their advisor, Kim Kaiser. The chapter will be commended at DECA's International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in Orlando, Florida in April.

As a reminder, Monday, Jan. 16 is our first Flex Day and school will not be

in session unless there is a weather event that causes a school cancellation before that day. However, our Food Pantry will be open on Jan. 16 from 4-6 p.m. Enter through Door A at the high school.

No matter what building I am in, I get the pleasure of seeing our students surrounded and inspired by highly capable and caring people totally committed to their learning, but equally important, their development as human beings. It is a privilege to serve your family. #WeAreHuskies

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

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Fadness has focused on growing a sustainable and vibrant economy while building a desirable community with unique and modern amenities. Fadness' administration has executed this vision, leading to today's growing hub of biotech and entrepreneurial activity alongside substantial quality-of-life investments. As a result, Fishers has repeatedly been recognized as one of the best places to live and work, not only in Indiana but also the country.



Mayor Scott Fadness

"Over the last several years, Fishers has experienced transformative growth and investment, and we've built a community that is vibrant, thriving, and entrepreneurial all while maintaining best-in-class city services and a solid financial foundation," Fadness said. "To build on this momentum and accelerate Fishers further into the future, I will continue to embrace innovation, seize opportunities, and lead with bold vision for our city."

Economic Growth
Since 2015 when Fadness took office, Fishers has attracted and created 8,091 new jobs with an average annual salary of \$75,000. During that time, the city landed more than \$2.5 billion in capital investment. In recent years, Fishers accelerated its growth even further, bucking national trends following the global

pandemic. Just since 2020, Fishers created 3,450 jobs with an average annual salary of \$90,000, attracted \$1.83 billion in capital investment, and saw \$575 million raised in venture capital by Fishers companies.

Contributing to this economic success is a now booming life sciences industry in Fishers, a result of Fadness' visionary leadership to attract this burgeoning sector. In 2021, Fadness proposed establishing a Life Science & Innovation Park to cultivate a life sciences industry and attract world-class life sciences companies to Fishers. The Park, with the support of Fishers' GOP-led Council, has brought in more than \$750 million in investment from life sciences companies, more than 1,000 new high-paying life sciences jobs, and grown the square footage of life sciences lab space in Fishers ten-fold.

"My team has worked

incredibly hard to create a world-class, diverse economy in Fishers that attracts and supports the jobs of the future," Fadness said.

"The support of our Republican Councilmembers has been critical to this success. We've managed to elevate Fishers across the board all while maintaining fiscal responsibility and one of the lowest City tax rates in the county and state."

Public Safety
Fadness has encouraged innovation across all facets of city government to improve services for residents. He challenged Fishers' public safety agencies to lead the metro area on technology, data and safety. The Fishers Police Department is the only other agency outside of IMPD to use leading technologies to solve gun crimes and is now assisting other regional agencies to join their efforts.

The Fishers Fire and Emergency Services expanded services by adding two more stations under Fadness' leadership, prioritizing resident safety. Additionally, the city is a leader in mental health support with dedicated First Responders trained in crisis intervention.

care for Fishers' residents.

Quality of Life
A primary focus of Fadness' administration has been to create a vibrant community. Under his leadership, Fishers is now home to the state-designated Nickel Plate Arts & Culture District, and the city has invested in expanding parks and natural areas, and culinary and entertainment spaces.

Announced in late 2022, the new Fishers Event Center will be a community asset that the Indy Fuel will call home and community events and celebrations will be held. The ever-popular Fishers District is expanding to bring even more world-class entertainment and restaurants to the city.

Other quality-of-life improvements include the new Geist Waterfront Park which will give the public access to enjoy Geist Reservoir and the popular Nickel Plate Trail.

Fiscal Responsibility
Fadness has transformed Fishers while maintaining fiscal responsibility, good governance and low taxes. His most recent budget decreased property taxes for Fishers' residents, maintaining the second-lowest tax rate in Hamilton County, all while making record investments in quality-of-life amenities. Under Mayor Fadness' leadership, the city maintains a AAA credit rating.

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police said part of his car was still in the left travel lane of the interstate. He was attempting to change his tire when he was hit.

The Chevrolet came to rest in the grassy median

after hitting Williams and his car. There is no word if the driver, a 42-year-old man from Michigan, was injured in the crash.

The crash remains under investigation by ISP.

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