

TODAY'S VERSE
Romans 12:1 "Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship." (NASB)



FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY
People who call our community their own.
What makes Rickie Woods smile? "Helping veterans at the Legion, and the kids and grandkids coming over when we have cookouts and family gatherings," said the 74-year-old Noblesville resident. He is a Noblesville native and 1967 Noblesville High School graduate who served in the 1st Cavalry Division of the U.S. Army in the Vietnam War, from 1967-70, serving in Vietnam 1967-68, and reached the rank of E-4 Specialist. He has earned the Noblesville Miller Fan of the Year more than once and has rarely missed a sporting event. Today's feature is a look back at one of The Times' previous Faces of Hamilton County. Woods is past commander of American Legion Frank Huntzinger Post No. 45 in Noblesville. He has been an American Legion post officer for most of his 30 years in the Legion, seven of those times as post commander. He has also been a parade marshal. The next veterans service will be a Memorial Day ceremony at 11 a.m. Monday at the Hamilton County War Memorial on the Square in downtown Noblesville. At 11:30 a.m., there will be a reading of the names of veterans buried at Riverside Cemetery. A service will also be at 1 p.m. at Crownland Cemetery. A lunch will be served at the Noblesville American Legion. Why is Memorial Day special to Woods? He said, "To honor the veterans that have passed." For more about Memorial Day, read the Betsy Reason column in today's edition of The Time

And Another Few Things...
1. Gov. Holcomb Gives Order

Governor Eric J. Holcomb is directing flags statewide to be flown at half-staff on Memorial Day. Flags should be flown at half-staff from sunrise to noon on Monday, May 29. Gov. Holcomb also asks businesses and residents across the state to lower their flags to half-staff on Monday to commemorate Memorial Day.

2. Bridge No. 148 - 161st Street between Hazel Dell Road and Gray Road

Please be advised, beginning on or after Monday, June 12, E. 161st Street between Hazel Dell Road and Gray Road will be closed to all thru traffic for bridge repair work. The estimated project completion date is Monday, June 26, after a 14-day closure. The hard closure is approximately 1,800' west of Hazel Dell Road. Local traffic will continue to have access to their homes, while thru traffic is asked to utilize the posted detour route of Gray Road, 156th Street, and Hazel Dell Road.

3. Congresswoman Houchin Honors Fallen Servicemembers Ahead of Memorial Day

Yesterday, Congresswoman Erin Houchin (R-Ind.-09) released the following video in honor of fallen soldiers ahead of Memorial Day. "We should be proud of our soldiers. When they sign up to serve, they know they may never return to their loved ones. They run toward danger, not from it. They trade the promise of tomorrow for the promise of American freedom," said Congresswoman Houchin.

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Ask Rusty - I'm Approaching 65 - Should I Claim Social Security?

Dear Rusty: I am fast approaching 65 (in August) and plan to continue working full time. I would like to know the implications of that, and about drawing Social Security. Same question for my husband who is past his full retirement age (he will be 67 this year) and he continues to work full time. Signed: Still Working



ASK Rusty
Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Dear Still Working: Married couples should always coordinate their retirement strategy, and you're very smart to do so. Born in 1958, your full retirement age (FRA) for Social Security purposes is 66 years and 8 months. Your FRA is the point at which your earnings from work no longer affect your Social Security benefits, but if you claim at age 65 and continue to work full time, you will be limited to how much you can earn before they take away some (or perhaps all) of your benefits. Here's what will happen if you claim Social Security (SS) to start in August when you are 65:

- Your SS retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by 11% (you'll get 89% of your FRA entitlement). Your monthly amount will only change thereafter due to Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA).

- If you start your benefits in August you will be subject to an earnings limit - either a monthly limit of \$1,770 for the remaining months of the year or the 2023 annual limit of \$21,240. If the monthly limit is exceeded you aren't entitled to benefits for that month, or if the annual limit is exceeded they will take back benefits equal to \$1 for

every \$2 over the annual limit. Social Security will use whichever method yields the smallest penalty.

- Beginning in 2024, you will be subject only to Social Security's annual earnings limit, which will be something more than the 2023 annual limit of \$21,240. If you exceed the 2024 (or 2025) annual limit, Social Security will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit (half of what you exceed the limit by). The annual limit will be in effect until you reach your full retirement age of 66 years and 8 months in April 2026.

Since your husband has already reached his FRA, working full time will not negatively affect his monthly Social Security benefits if he chooses to claim his SS benefits now. However, if he hasn't yet claimed your husband is already earning Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) which will increase his benefit when he later claims. DRCs are earned monthly (.667% per month; 8% per year) and can be earned up to age 70 when maximum SS benefit is attained. For your husband, his age 70 benefit would be 29% more than he was entitled to at his FRA. Whether it is wise to wait longer to claim

depends on life expectancy, but break even age is about 83 for those who wait until 70 to claim (vs. claiming at FRA). FYI, average life expectancy for a man your husband's current age is about 84; for you about 87.

Since you are both still working full time, be aware that - depending on your combined income from all sources - your Social Security benefits will become part of your taxable income. As a married couple both working full time, your combined income will likely be over the \$44,000 threshold after which income tax will be levied on up to 85% of your Social Security benefits received during the tax year (using your normal IRS tax rate). I suggest you consider the income tax implications of claiming Social Security while you are still working full time.

You did not ask about Medicare, but if you (and your husband) now have "creditable" healthcare coverage from your employer ("creditable" is a group plan with at least 20 participants) you can defer enrolling in Medicare Part B until your employer healthcare coverage ends, thus avoiding the Medicare Part B premium while you are working.

Beware Scam Medical Bills



If you get an unexpected message saying you owe money for medical services, think twice before you make a payment, says the Better Business Bureau of Indiana. BBB Scam Tracker has received reports about phony medical bills and collections departments.

How the scam works
You receive a letter or a call informing you that you owe money on a medical bill. If you follow up, the "billing department" will insist that you need to pay immediately. If you don't, you will allegedly face consequences, such as fines, damage to your credit score, or even jail time. Eager to settle your debts, you provide your credit or debit card number.

But before you pay, the scammer will ask you to confirm your name, address, and other sensitive information, which may include your Social Security or bank account number.

This scam has several versions. In some cases, the bills and medical services are entirely fabricated. For example, one person told BBB Scam Tracker that they "received a medical bill for \$500 for Covid testing that supposedly occurred in VA in January. I did a quick look into the business website and the site wasn't even registered/live until May. I was also out of state (in CA) when it claims I got tested."

Other times, the doctor's visit was real, but the company claiming you owe money is a scam. One BBB Scam Tracker report states, "I received a medical bill on 01/18/2023. I

Retired Lieutenant Colonel Allen B. West: 'Afghanistan Will Go Down As The Greatest Debacle In United States Military History'

By John Grimaldi

President Biden's abrupt, mismanaged withdrawal from Afghanistan in September of 2021 -- just eight months after he assumed the presidency -- continues to have a dire, negative and dangerous impact on U.S. military recruitment. In a recent interview with Rebecca Weber, CEO of the Association of Mature American Citizens and host of the AMAC Better For America podcast, combat veteran and former Congress-

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Can't wait to hear Back Home Again in Indiana!



TODAY'S QUOTE

"The best customer service is if the customer doesn't need to call you, doesn't need to talk to you. It just works."
-Jeff Bezos

TODAY'S JOKE

What's the hardest thing about learning to ride a horse? The ground.

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Cracking your knuckles does not appear to lead to arthritis. 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



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- Cellophane Tape Day
- International Jazz Day
- Nothing To Fear Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1942 Czech resistance fighters kill Reinhard Heydrich. The high-ranking German Nazi official was one of the main architects of the Holocaust.
- 1937 The Golden Gate Bridge is opened. The suspension bridge connecting San Francisco peninsula with Marin County is one of the most recognized works of United States architecture.
- 1851 The world's first chess tournament is held in London. Adolf Anderssen, a maths teacher from Wroclaw, won the tournament, which was held parallel to the 1851 Great Exhibition.



Births On This Day

- 1975 Jamie Oliver English chef, author
- 1922 Christopher Lee English actor



Deaths On This Day

- 2011 Gil Scott-Heron American singer-songwriter, author
- 1564 John Calvin French theologian, pastor

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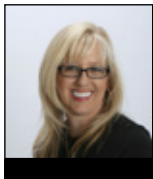
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Photo courtesy of Noblesville Noon Kiwanians

Noblesville Noon Kiwanians Joe Arrowood (standing from left), Nate Arrowood, Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville executive director Becky Terry, TJ Houghtalen and Evan and David Burns; JoEllen Arrowood (sitting, from left), Kathy Kreg Williams, and Marilyn and Jake Doll rest Thursday after setting out American flags for Memorial Day weekend.

Flags Decorate The Square For Memorial Day Weekend



BETSY REASON
From The Editor's Desk...

I just love to see all of the American flags decorating the Hamilton County Courthouse Square on Memorial Day weekend.

Thursday afternoon, as I drove around the Square, I was glad to see that the Noblesville Noon Kiwanians were again placing American flags on display around the Historic Courthouse.

This year, there are about 230 small American flags on display now through Tuesday in honor of loved ones or military servicemen and women who have died while serving in U.S. Forces.

Names are printed on laminated cards and attached to each American flag. Every year, Kiwanians arrive at about 4:30 p.m. on the Thursday before Memorial Day and go to work setting the flags in the ground around the Square. One member pulls out a measuring tape, a couple of other members have a cordless drill and drill holes into the ground to set the flags every "so many" inches apart.

The work goes quickly as each Kiwanian who volunteers has his or her job to do. One volunteer pushes a cart carrying the flags, which are passed down the line to set in the ground.

Money raised from the flags, which are sold for \$5 each, go to the club's youth charities in Noblesville.

The Noon Kiwanis Club members traditionally put out several flags in memory of local Kiwanians who have passed, including Foster Barr, Bill Burton, Tom Burton, Gary Duvall, Robert Ellingwood, past president Kedrick E. Fisher, Chet Goble, William Harger, Everett Latham, Milton Meyer, Muret E. Nugent, Dale Swanson, Ray Townsend, Bill Vesey, Sam Weldy, Ralph Waltz, Maynard Wolf, Jerry Swinford, and more.

The Club also put out more than 100 large American flags all over town for the whole month of May.

"Looks amazing. I'm proud to be part of this wonderful group," Noon Kiwanian Becky Terry, the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville's executive director, has said.

I saw many more familiar names as I walked around the Square, trying to read the laminated card on every flag.

Flags in memory included Bobby Mills, Charles R. Kenley and Howard A. Kenley Jr., George R. Lovins (U.S. Army/Air Force), Vincent J. Lovins (U.S. Navy), James Robert Loy, Hiram Leonard, and Glenn R. Lovins, Alan Houk, Mr. and Mrs. Lester McKinsey, Wendell McIntyre, Martha A. Doll, Francis M. Doll, Lloyd Doll, Vietnam veteran USMC Corp. Daniel A. Doll, World War II U.S. Army Capt. Earle B. Nichols, Bob and Suzzy O'Callaghan, World War II veteran Lloyd R. Wilson, Vietnam veteran Staff Sgt. Frank Devon Hall Jr. (U.S. Army), U.S. Army Medical Corps World War II veteran Dr. Howard W. Beaver, Keith Behrends, World War II veteran Lt. Col. Ted and Lou Arrowood and Capt. Lenny Arrowood, Jeffrey Nevitt (U.S. Navy) and James D. Nevitt, Lillian R. McGuire, W. Ray Lytle Sr., Gertrude Luscomb and Benjamin Luscomb, Joe Lowe (U.S. Army), David Lowe (Air Force), Larry Letterman (Vietnam veteran), John Lawrence, Ray and Effie Kreg, Robert D. Kreg and Lillian Kreg, Raymond Kinzer, Robert Kenow and Kevin Kenow, John Huntzinger, Thomas C. Hughes, U.S. Navy World War II veteran Edwin E. Huber, Bob Huber, Glenn Huber (U.S. Army), Eric Harrison, Stephen M. "Mickey" Huber, Chief Warrant Officer George Andrew Howes (MIA Vietnam War 1970-2010), Lyle Howell, Edward Hoss, Robert Horney, James Henry Hobson, James Hart, Max W. Hittle, U.S. Army World War II veteran Capt. Frank D. Hall, John Hall, Frank Grube, L. Lee Gourley (USAF Vietnam MIA), Kenneth Godby, Joe Ginder, Col. George Ferkes, John E. Gang Jr. (USN) and Naomi C. Gang and John Hedges Sr. There are many, many more names.

Flags also honored the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), several Houghtalens, retired Lt. Col. Bruce McBride, Parker Lugenbeal, Kyle Lippott, Anthony Legari (U.S. Marine Corps), Sgt. Kyle Lawson, 2nd Howitzer Battalion 17th artillery, Dana Harvey (USMC) and Kenneth M. Harris.

The Kiwanians have been placing flags around the Square for more than 30 years, Kiwanians estimated. If you look back in past photos, about the same group of Kiwanians volunteer each year to put up flags. "We're a small but

mighty group," Noon Kiwanian member Kathy Kreg Williams has said. She's volunteered setting out flags for all of those 30 years. Volunteers included Kiwanians David Burns, (and son Evan Burns), Joe Arrowood (and wife JoEllen Arrowood), Nate Arrowood, Kathy Kreg Williams, Jake Doll and wife, Marilyn Doll, TJ Houghtalen and Becky Terry.

Cicero American Legion Post No. 341 set out American flags through town, across the Causeway and in the cemetery at every veteran gravesite on Thursday, with special help from the Hamilton Heights Wrestling team. Also, Cicero Memorial Day Parade is set for 11 a.m. today through downtown Cicero. (If you are interested in riding or walking in the parade, be at the Post by 10:45 a.m.)

In honor of Memorial Day, the Fishers American Legion placed flags on the graves of veterans in six cemeteries around Fishers. A Memorial Day Ceremony is at 10 a.m. Monday at Nickel Plate District Amphitheater in Fishers.

Also on Monday, a traditional Noblesville Memorial Day service will take place at 11 a.m. at the Hamilton County War Memorial.

At 11:30 a.m., there will be a reading of the names of veterans buried at Riverside Cemetery. A service will also be at 1 p.m. at Crownland Cemetery. The Colors of All Branches provided by Navy Club and invited. A lunch will be served at the Noblesville American Legion.

Other Memorial Day ceremonies on Monday are Hamilton Memorial Gardens, Westfield, 9 a.m.; Fallen Hoosier Heroes Memorial, Westfield, 9:50 a.m.; Little Eagle Creek Cemetery, Zionsville, 10:40 a.m.; Farley Cemetery in Carmel, 11:40 a.m.; Carmel Cemetery, 12:20 p.m.; VFW Post 10003 POW/MIA Dedication, 1:10 p.m.; and American Legion Post 155 POW/MIA Dedication, 2:20 p.m.

Memorial Day has been a national holiday for more than 50 years, since the act of Congress in 1971. Memorial Day honors all military members who have died while serving in the U.S. Forces.

I encourage you to attend any of these Memorial Day events to celebrate our veterans in Hamilton County.

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Additional Road Closures Related To ReImagine Pleasant Street Begin in June

Beginning in June, additional road closures will begin due to the construction of ReImagine Pleasant Street. The road closures will not impact access to property owners, and the detour routes may be used during the entirety of the closures.

Temporary signals will be added on Hannibal Street at the intersections of 8th Street and 10th Street. We anticipate traffic will settle into regular patterns over a period of about two weeks, during which the project team will be monitoring the detour route. Adjustments may be made during or after the two-week period, if required.

We are asking for help from the media to alert the public about these closures. Please see attached maps for additional details.

The following closures will begin in June:
 Temporary Closure of 8th Street between Mulberry Street & Washington Street (150 days)
 Temporary Closure of

Pleasant Street between 6th Street & 9th Street (150 days)

Temporary Closure of alley between 8th Street & 9th Street at Pleasant Street (150 days)

Permanent Closure of Walnut Street at 8th Street

Permanent Closure of 7th Street at Pleasant Street

Restrictions will begin in June.

This construction is part of ReImagine Pleasant Street, which is a multi-phased transportation improvement project to improve mobility and compliment the growth of Noblesville. The project is expected to reduce traffic through downtown Noblesville by 20% and will also provide a link for three major trails (Nickel Plate, Midland Trace, and Riverwalk) to connect Noblesville with Hamilton County and the greater Indianapolis area.

For more details about the project and up-to-date closures, please visit <https://www.reimaginepleasantst.com/>. You can also follow the project on Facebook and Twitter.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Team Castor (Bloom Boutique)
3rd Base, Bats R/ Throws Right
5/21- Mason hit a Grand Slam

"The thing I like most about playing in Babe Ruth is the people I have met that are now friends and teammates."

Hobbies: Going to the gym, fishing and hunting.

Mason Conger

Senior
16-18 Division





Graphic courtesy of Hamilton AWL

You Don't Want To Miss Wine, Wags & Whiskers!

Get Your Tickets Meow!
 Friday, June 16, 2023 | 6 - 9:00 p.m.
 Wine, Wags & Whiskers is coming up quickly - you don't want to miss your chance to enjoy dozens of wine tastings, a bourbon and spirits pull, a silent auction, Jackpaw Raffle, delectable sweets and tempting animals who will melt your heart!
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opportunity to connect, mingle, host special guests, reward your staff or treat yourself to a delightful evening.
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Here We GROW Again: Noblesville's Bridge of Flowers Gets Some Financial Fertilization from Duke Energy

The Noblesville Bridge of Flowers' Donors roster continues to grow, enabling this community project to serve as an ever-expanding source of beauty and belonging.

As of May 24th, Duke Energy became the latest donor to the Bridge of Flowers. By donating \$5,000 to the non-profit that connects events at Federal Hill Commons with shopping and dining on the town Square via the Logan Street Bridge over a scenic bend of the White River, Duke will be recognized with a

Diamond-level plaque at the Logan Street Bridge site. Other donors at that level and above include Sylvia Gordon, Gordon Insurance LLC, Gaylord Electric, Culver's of Noblesville/The Farm, Harbour Trees Golf and Beach Clubs, Robert and Marie Frash, Riverview Health, and Adams Insurance LLC.

Families, businesses, and civic groups can be a part of this project by donating at levels from as little as \$300 up to \$25,000. The names of these entities

are displayed for three year increments on the Bridge's Donor Plaque Displays, letting everyone know of their generosity and community involvement.

Inspired by the travels of philanthropist board members Sylvia Gordon and her father Dick Gordon and brought to vibrant life by fellow board members Peg Adams and Dave Riddle and their cohort of volunteers, this Hamilton county destination beckons visitors to Noblesville and all the

activities and beauty it has to offer.

To date, over \$160,000 has been raised by businesses and individuals to establish and maintain this incredible addition to Noblesville that promises to be a self-perpetuating point of pride for all. No taxpayer money is used to support the flowers.

To get involved, citizens are encouraged to send tax-deductible donations to the Bridge of Flowers, 20236 Hague Rd., Noblesville, IN 46062.




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Indianapolis 500 Fans Encouraged To Arrive Early, 'Plan Ahead' With IMS.com

As the largest crowd since 2016 plans to gather at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the 107th Running of the Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge on Sunday, May 28, fans should plan ahead and arrive early.

Fewer than 5,000 grandstand seats remain unsold for this year's Indy 500. With the massive amount of fans flocking to the Racing Capital of the World, to ensure a smooth entry into the facility fans are encouraged to arrive earlier than usual, even as early as 6 a.m. when gates open. This is the best way to ensure a smooth and quicker entry into the facility with time to visit activations and be in seats for the green flag.

Race fans are encouraged to "Plan Ahead" through IMS.com/PlanAhead, an interactive web page that serves as a home base for fans headed to the track this weekend.

The "Plan Ahead" page features detailed information about the entire fan experience at IMS, including directions, parking, schedule, gate regulations, digital ticket guide, ADA accessibility and much more.

Race fans are encouraged to download the IMS App and use technology from NTT INDYCAR SERIES title sponsor NTT and its Smart Solutions platform, which will update the IMS App every 30 seconds with wait time information at each gate to allow race fans smoother entry into the facility.

IMS is offering a whole morning of thrills and entertainment for ticketholders looking to beat traffic and avoid longer lines by coming to the track early. Gates open at 6 a.m. following the traditional infield blast.

Many enjoyable opportunities are available to fans right as the gates open or shortly after, including:

Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum Open at 6 a.m.

Located inside Gate 2 of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the Museum will be open from 6 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$14 for guests

over the age of 62 and \$8 for guests ages 6-15. Children 5 and under and Museum members are free.

Race fans can walk to the IMS Museum from the Speedway's infield, and a free shuttle will run between the IMS Museum and tram stops located at 6th and Hulman and Tunnel 10. Pedestrians on the south end of the racetrack can access the IMS Museum via Gate 2.

Enhanced Midway Experience Open at 6 a.m.

This year's fan Midway features several exciting, fan-friendly activities, including the IMS Rookie Zone in partnership with The Children's Museum of Indianapolis for kids and more. The Midway will open at 6 a.m. and be available for enjoyment until the green flag flies to start "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing."

Shopping and Food Exclusive and commemorative 107th Running attire will go fast, so don't miss out! Grab breakfast at one of the many concession stands open all throughout the facility, and then shop for family and friends while supplies last. Retail and food options are available at 6 a.m.

Cashless Operations

All IMS concession stands and merchandise locations are cashless this year. Tap-to-pay phone payments will be accepted, as will credit and debit transactions. Cash-to-Card machines, which convert paper money onto a temporary debit card, will be located throughout the facility. These funds can be spent inside the venue, outside the venue, online or anywhere in the world where Mastercard/Visa debit cards are accepted.

Cash is accepted at gates and ticket remotes for ticket sales.

Cooling/Water Stations

With sunny skies and temperatures expected to reach 80 on Race Day, IMS will have cooling buses located in the infield on the corner of Fifth Street and Hulman Boulevard, Seventh Street and Hulman Boulevard, the B Stand near Gate 1 and the Northwest Vista. Misting stations will be

located in the Midway, Pagoda Plaza, concert area inside Turn 3, west of the IU Emergency Medical Center in the infield, outside Turn 1 between the East and Southwest Vistas and outside Turn 4 between the Northwest Vista and J Stand. There will also be six water bottle filling stations located throughout the facility on Race Day in each of the four turns, as well as behind Tower Terrace and in Gasoline Alley.

Borg-Warner Trophy March to the Yard of Bricks at 8:45 a.m.

The iconic Borg-Warner Trophy will begin an epic march to the Yard of Bricks at 8:45 a.m. from the basement doors of the IMS Museum. Line up outside the Museum for a chance to see the Trophy - escorted by the Gordon Pipers - begin its journey. From the IMS Museum, the Borg-Warner Trophy will head toward the South Pit Gate, Pagoda Plaza and IMS Midway before reaching the famed Yard of Bricks.

Epic Pre-Race, Be in Your Seat for It!

This year's pre-race festivities for the Indianapolis 500 are a carefully organized and choreographed show that will entertain race fans at any moment they are in their seats. It will feature two fantastic flyovers, military tributes, a DJ on the Pagoda 3 stage, former Indy 500 winner and historic race car laps around the famed 2.5-mile oval, the heartfelt singing of "Back Home Again in Indiana" by Jim Cornelison, the national anthem sung by multi-platinum singer-songwriter Jewel, Oscar-nominated actor and Indiana native Adam Driver waving the green flag to start "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing" and so much more.

Additionally, all Speedway patrons should be aware of the following facility information and regulations to ensure a successful day at the track:

Public Parking Parking for the Indianapolis 500 is sold out, including ADA and motorcycle parking. All IMS exterior parking lots

open at 5 a.m. on Race Morning, while interior lots open at 6 a.m.

Bike to the 500 and Bike Parking

IMS and Bike Indianapolis have collaborated to offer race fans a safe and healthy way to commute to the track on Race Day. The commute starts at the AMP at 16 Tech and follows a police escort to the racetrack, where cyclists will then park outside the famed Gate 1. Race fans can register for Bike to the 500 here.

Bike parking is available for all cyclists at Gates 1, 6 and 9.

Rideshare Location

Race fans who are not planning to park at the racetrack should consider using a rideshare program, such as Uber or Lyft, when traveling to or from the facility on Indianapolis 500 Race Day. Guests using rideshare services like Uber, Lyft or taxis will be dropped off at the corner of 10th and Polco Streets. Guests also will be picked up at this location after the race. IMS also offers a Race Day round-trip shuttle service that provides a stress-free trip to the Indianapolis 500. Shuttle services pick up and drop off from the Indianapolis International Airport or at Gate Ten Events and Parking, located across the street from Lucas Oil Stadium. Those riding the shuttle will be dropped off and picked up from the Main Gate parking lot. Indy 500 shuttle services can be purchased here.

Pedestrian Gate Entry

Public pedestrian gates open are: Gate 1, Gate 1B.1, Gate 1C, Gate 2, Gate 3, Gate 4, Gate 5N, Gate 5B, Gate 6N, Gate 6S, Gate 6B, Gate 7S, Gate 7 Vehicle, Gate 7N, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A, Gate 11A, Gate 11B, Gate 11C, Gate 12.

New security screening detection devices have been added to all pedestrian gates.

As fans pass through one of the pedestrian entrances, they will walk through a CEIA OPENGATE® security device. Fans won't need to empty their pockets or remove items of clothing, simply walk through the

gate and enter the facility.

Vehicle Traffic at Gate 9A

Gate 9A is no longer open to vehicular fan traffic. Fans who previously used this gate should plan ahead and choose another route for entrance to IMS.

Digital Tickets

Race fans who order tickets in advance may select their delivery method at checkout. Digital tickets can be accessed on their smart phone's web browser or by saving the digital ticket to their mobile device's wallet. Fans are encouraged to ensure the brightness on their smart phone is turned up before approaching the gate for a seamless scanning of their digital ticket. Race fans are also encouraged to visit the IMS Digital Ticket guide to manage their digital tickets and enhance their at-track experience.

Weekend Street Parking

Race event parking restrictions in the Town of Speedway will be enforced during the Indianapolis 500. No parking will be allowed on the south and east sides of any street bound by 25th Street on the north, Georgetown Road on the east, Lynhurst Drive on the west and Crawfordsville Road on the south from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday. Additionally, race fans will not be able to park on Main Street in Speedway between 10th Street and 16th Street on Race Day starting at midnight.

Parking will also be restricted in other areas of the Town of Speedway on Indianapolis 500 Race Weekend from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday along several neighborhood streets. Local streets impacted by street parking can be found here.

Road Closures

Race fans should be aware of multiple road closures before making their way to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Race Day. Those include:

Speedway Police Department will close Georgetown Road south of 25th Street at 5 a.m. on Race Day to all vehicular

traffic. Guests accustomed to entering Gate 7 should enter through Gate 2 or Gate 10. Local residents are encouraged to make provisions for the temporary traffic restriction. Georgetown Road will remain closed until approximately one hour after the race.

Speedway Police Department will also close 16th Street between Olin Avenue and the roundabout from approximately noon until the end of the race. Additionally, 16th Street will not be accessible from Polco Street, as it will be blocked at 10th Street.

Traffic traveling east on Crawfordsville Road from the west will be turned around at the 16th Street roundabout. Traffic traveling west on 16th Street from downtown will be diverted south on Olin Avenue.

Additional Resources and Information

Drivers can learn the locations of work zones and highway restrictions by calling INDOT's TrafficWise at 1-800-261-ROAD (7623) or viewing an online map at pws.trafficwise.org or visiting @TrafficWise on Twitter.

No coolers larger than 18 inches by 14 inches by 15 inches can be brought into the facility, which will be strictly enforced. Fans will be allowed to bring one cooler and one standard backpack or book bag per person. Coolers are allowed inside the Snake Pit gates.

For more information regarding access to IMS, visit IMS.com. For additional information, follow on Twitter the Indiana State Police @IndStatePolice, the Speedway Police Department @SpeedwayPD or listen to radio stations WFNI-FM 107.5/WFNI-AM 1070 or WIBC-FM 93.1.

The Speedway Police Department can be reached for non-emergency services by dialing 311 on a cell phone. The goal of 311 is to provide an easy-to-remember number for non-emergency services while freeing up 911 lines for timely emergency response.

Farmland Volunteer Firefighter Dies Responding To Call Early Thursday In Randolph County

Second firefighter in critical condition following accident.

The Indiana fire community mourns the loss of a Farmland Volunteer firefighter who died early Thursday from a tanker truck accident while en route to a barn fire in rural Randolph County.

Kyle T. Osgood, assistant chief of the Farmland Volunteer Fire Department, was pronounced dead at the scene at about 6:30 a.m. Thursday following the single-vehicle accident near Randolph County Road 1000 West and County Road 400 North.

Osgood was driving the tanker truck northbound on 1000 West when the vehicle approached an S-curve and rolled over. The vehicle came to rest on top of Osgood, 29, and fellow firefighter Zachary Lee, 19. No other firefighters were aboard the truck.

Lee suffered serious injuries to his lower extremities and was flown to Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne in critical condition. He was in surgery midday Thursday and no updates were available.

Rescue crews reported Osgood and Lee were responding to a report of a

barn fire just north of the accident location.

Osgood and his family have a rich tradition in the Farmland Volunteer Fire Department, with his grandfather previously serving as fire chief. A fellow firefighter said Osgood had been coming to the fire station since he was a child and rose through the ranks as he stayed committed to protecting his community.

Indiana State Fire Marshal Steve Jones responded to the scene early Thursday to assist the firefighters and families. Farmland is about 15 miles east of Muncie.

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Conor Daly And Purdue Global Join Forces For The 107th Running Of The Indianapolis 500



Photo courtesy of Purdue

Conor Daly, driver of the No. 20 Ed Carpenter Racing entry for Sunday's (May 28) Indianapolis 500, will carry the Purdue Global logo with him on his helmet as he goes for the checkered flag.

Encouraging the 40 million Americans who have work experience and college credit but no college degree to fire up

their own "comeback," Purdue Global will partner with hometown favorite Conor Daly, as he makes his 10th career start in

"The Greatest Spectacle in Racing."

The Indianapolis 500 has been a Memorial Day tradition since 1911,

making the partnership with Daly a natural fit for Purdue Global. Purdue's online university for working adults. Purdue University is well-known for its support of military individuals and families, ranked by College Consensus as one of the best colleges in the nation for veterans. At Purdue Global, created in 2018, a remarkable one-third of its 35,000 students today have a military affiliation.

Daly's pattern of success at the Indianapolis 500 is well-documented. In 2019, the Indiana native finished 10th, while 2021 left Daly with his own comeback story. He led the world's biggest race for 40 laps before being struck by a loose wheel. Undaunted, a resilient Daly hustled back to an impressive 13th-place finish. In 2022, he again found himself at the front of the field, recording seven laps as the leader before crossing the finish line in the sixth position.

With similar persistence, Purdue Global is built for working adults who want to earn a degree online that they can be proud of and that employers respect. Purdue Global views the partnership with Daly as an opportunity to engage and encourage working adults, including active-duty military and veterans, to not simply go back to school, but come back to Purdue Global and move forward in their careers.

"With Purdue Global

in the Purdue portfolio, in addition to our Purdue Polytechnic High Schools across the state of Indiana, Purdue is helping more individuals than ever access real education and opportunity for more," said R. Ethan Braden, executive vice president, chief marketing and communications officer for Purdue University and Purdue Global. "We are thrilled to partner with Conor. He's a fan favorite, with Boilermaker-like grit and love for our country."

The Indiana-born Daly is entrenched in Boilermaker culture, hailing from a family that includes his mother, Beth Boles, a graduate of Purdue University, and his younger brother, Carter, a current student there. With the new Purdue Global logo prominently appearing on Daly's helmet, having Purdue Global along for the ride allows him to promote two areas closest to him: Purdue and our nation's military service members and veterans.

"The partnership with Purdue Global is exciting for me, especially given the connection with our family and Purdue's commitment to our military," Daly said. "The fact that so many of our nation's service members and veterans choose to come back to Purdue Global is impressive. Purdue Global provides working adults a chance to earn their degree online on their terms, and the stories I am hearing as part of their new 'This Is

My Comeback' campaign are inspiring."

Over the weekend, Daly etched his name onto the Indianapolis 500 starting grid for the 10th time. Daly wheeled his No. 20 Ed Carpenter Racing Chevrolet around the Brickyard's famed 2.5-mile oval at a scorching speed of 232.433 mph. His effort placed him on the inside of row six, in the 16th position among the fastest field in Indianapolis 500 history.

Purdue University was recently named one of the World's 20 Most Innovative Companies by Fast Company magazine, the only university on the list, for freezing tuition for an unprecedented 12th year in a row and combating our nation's semiconductor shortage by training engineers and researchers with excellence at scale. Learn more at stories.purdue.edu.

Backed by Purdue, Purdue Global delivers personalized online education tailored to the unique needs of working adults, enabling them to further develop essential academic and professional skills with the support and flexibility they need to achieve their career goals. For more information, please visit www.purdue-global.edu.

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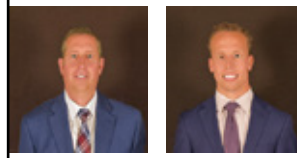
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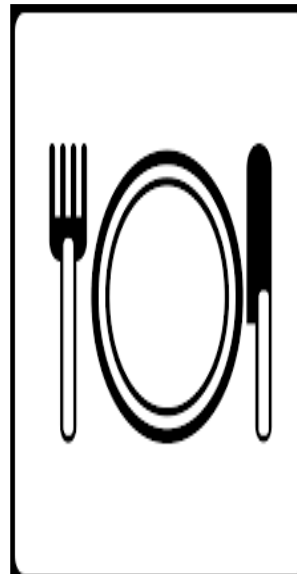
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No matter what pretense the scam uses, giving scammers your personal information puts you at risk for identity theft. Plus, any money you pay them might be lost for good.

How to avoid medical billing scams

Verify the claims. If someone claims you owe money, ask for the details. Any legitimate collections company should be able to tell you to whom you owe money and when you received services. Consider it a red flag if they aren't forthcoming with this information. In any case, it's a good idea to hang up and contact your doctor's office, hospital billing department, or insurance company directly and find out if you really do owe money.

Look up the customer service number. Do an internet search for the phone number that contacted you or the customer service

number on the letter you received. The number should be registered to an official business associated with your doctor or hospital. If it isn't, consider it a red flag. Keep an eye out for reports from others who identify the number as part of a scam.

Don't give in to scare tactics. Scammers often try to make you feel like there will be extreme consequences if you don't pay them immediately. Don't be intimidated by a stranger who contacted you out of the blue. Legitimate businesses won't threaten you if you have questions or want to verify the information before making a payment.

Guard your personal information carefully. If someone calls you unexpectedly and asks you to "verify" your personal information, think twice. Be sure you're talking to someone you know and trust before divulging information that could be used to commit identity theft, even if the caller sounds professional.

If you spot a medical scam, report it to BBB Scam Tracker. Your experience helps boost public awareness about common scam tactics. To learn more ways to protect yourself, go to "10 Steps to Avoid Scams." Visit our Scam Tips page for information on other types of scams.

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man, retired Lieutenant Colonel Allen B. West, also pointed out that to this day it is impacting the retention of soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines. "What happened in Afghanistan will go down as the greatest debacle in United States military history," he said. "They see a senior level military leadership and civilian leadership that is not concerned about their safety and well-being."

Making matters worse, Allen noted that the Biden administration made it compulsory for our military forces to submit to covid shots against their will during the pandemic. "One of the things that they teach you in the military is that you do not have to follow any order that is unlawful, immoral, unethical and, in this case, even unconstitutional." He pointed out there were issues, particularly among airmen, that the vaccine could cause a sudden blackout.

And now the "woke" movement is having a negative impact on recruitment efforts with a focus on issues such as "gender dysphoria, which is a mental condition. When I was a commander, I put troops out because they were overweight or because they had flat feet, they couldn't run fast enough, things of that nature. And now we're saying that people who are confused about whether or not they are male or female should be serving in the United States military. And, oh, by the way, we're going to accommodate these delusions. We're going to use taxpayer dollars to give them hormonal therapies and what have you. We have a Secretary of Defense who sent out a memo saying that female troops had to get used to having biological males in their shower and latrine facilities. This is absurd. The people that are really laughing at us and paying attention is China, because they're our number one geopolitical foe and their military is supposed to focus on one thing, defeating us while we are focused on implementing a progressive, socialist,

leftist ideological agenda."

On the issue of the Mexican border crisis, Allen said that "the sovereignty of the United States of America has been undermined as the state of Texas is being overrun. When you look at the Constitution, Article four, Section four, the guarantee clause, the federal government is supposed to guarantee that every state in the union has protection from invasion. We've seen five, six, seven million people illegally entering the United States, mainly through Texas last week. That's absolutely appalling; it's disconcerting. And there are more who are stacked up just waiting to come across. Our Constitution says the government is supposed to repel invaders. But no one is turning these people back; instead, we allow them here. While our homeless veterans are being treated as second-class, third-class citizens. No one's giving them free cell phones. No one's putting them up in hotels. As a matter of fact, they're being kicked out of a lot of facilities to accommodate these illegal immigrants."

Allen said the border crisis "is affecting the entire country. We cannot exist as a constitutional republic if we don't protect our own borders. Then you just become a piece of land between Mexico and Canada and the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. And that's not what the United States of America is. We have a border to defend, but we're not doing that right now. And we have a complicit media that will not tell the story about it. I was watching 60 Minutes and they were basically talking about how some of these illegal mothers are spending Mother's Day. Well, there are mothers in the U.S. who have lost their children because of illegal immigrants, because of the fentanyl crisis that we see happening. And we have children that are being affected by sexual exploitation. We have got to wake up as a country and we have got to understand what the truth is."

Pools, Beaches To Open; Some Lifeguard Openings Still Available

Get ready to cool off, Hoosiers. Public swimming pools located in Indiana State Parks will open this weekend, as will DNR swimming beaches.

Pools opening Saturday are at Brown County, Clifty Falls, McCormick's Creek, O'Bannon Woods, Prophetstown, Shakamak, Spring Mill, Turkey Run, and Versailles state parks. In addition, the beach at Indiana Dunes State Park will open tomorrow, with lifeguards on duty.

The public pool at Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber State Recreation Area [SRA]) will open on Sunday. The Cagles Mill Lake swimming beach opens on Saturday.

The public pool at Spring Mill will be open the three days of Memorial Day weekend, close May 30-June 2, then re-open June 3, excluding Wednesday, when it will be closed.

Applications are still being accepted for lifeguard positions, which are open to qualified applicants ages 15 and older. For more information about lifeguarding, contact the state park property nearest you that is listed above. Phone numbers are under "Find a Park" at stateparks.IN.gov.

Beaches that offer swimming with no lifeguards open this weekend at Chain O'Lakes, Lincoln, Ouabache, Pokagon, Potatocreek, Summit Lake,

and Whitewater Memorial state parks; at Starve Hollow and Deam Lake SRAs; and at Brookville, Cagles Mill (Lieber SRA), Cecil M. Harden (Raccoon SRA), Hardy, Mississinewa, Monroe, and Patoka lakes, as well as at Ferdinand State Forest. The beach at Salamonie Lake is closed to swimming this weekend due to low water levels.

Learn about the blue-green algae beach monitoring program, managed in partnership with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, at algae.IN.gov or on.IN.gov/dnrbga.

For public pool or beach hours at the property you plan to visit, contact the property directly since these vary by location. Directory information is at stateparks.IN.gov

The aquatic center at Abe Martin Lodge (Brown County State Park) and the pools at Clifty Inn (Clifty Falls State Park), Potawatomi Inn (Pokagon State Park), and Turkey Run Inn (Turkey Run State Park) are open for registered guests.

Beaches generally remain open through Labor Day. Public pools generally are open through early to mid-August, depending on the availability of lifeguards as they return to school.

To view more statewide DNR news releases, please see dnr.IN.gov.

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In accordance with the regulations of Rule 327 IAC 15-5 (Rule 5), Notice is hereby given that construction activities will begin at 17901 Eagletown Road, Westfield, Indiana on or about 6/10/2023. Any questions concerning the construction activity can be directed to Jim Hannigan, 317-556-1990. The Ultimate Canine Training Facility has been approved by the City of Westfield. The receiving stream is Little Eagle Creek.
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Building Your Dream Home Anytime, Anywhere



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5 TIPS TO CREATE A COMFORTABLE FOREVER HOME

FAMILY FEATURES

For most homebuyers, their dream homes are not something they're likely to find already on the market. With a unique vision of your dream home's look, location and features, building a custom home is generally the easiest way to make that dream a reality.

To keep things moving as smoothly as possible amid what can be a complicated process, consider these tips as you embark on the journey.

Set a Realistic Budget

You'll need to start by determining how much you can spend on your house. Typically, the cost of building a home is around \$100-\$200 per square foot, according to research from HomeAdvisor. You'll also need to account for the lot price as well as design fees, taxes, permits, materials and labor. Materials and labor should make up about 75% of the total amount spent, but it's wise to build in a buffer for price changes and overages. While building your budget, consider what items and features are "must-haves" and things that should only be included if your budget allows.



Matt Blashaw

Identify the Perfect Location

Think about where you'd like to live and research comparable lots and properties in those areas, which can give you a better idea of costs. Because the features of many dream homes require a wider footprint, you may need to build outside of city limits, which can make natural gas more difficult to access. Consider propane instead, which can do everything natural gas can and go where natural gas cannot or where it is cost prohibitive to run a natural gas line. Propane also reduces dependence on the electrical grid, and a propane standby generator can safeguard your family if there is a power outage.

"As a real estate agent and builder, I have the pleasure of helping families select their dream homes," said Matt Blashaw, residential contractor, licensed real estate agent and host of HGTV's "Build it Forward." "The homes we design and build are frequently in propane country, or off the natural gas grid. Propane makes it possible to build an affordable and comfortable, high-performing indoor living spaces and dynamic outdoor entertaining areas."

Keep Universal Design Principles in Mind

Many homebuyers want to ensure their space is accessible to family members and guests both now and for decades to come. As the housing market slows and mortgage rates rise, buyers may look to incorporate features that allow them to age in place. Incorporating principles of universal design – the ability of a space to be understood, accessed and used by people regardless of their age or ability – can make it possible to still enjoy your home even if mobility, vision or other challenges arise as you age.

For example, the entryway could have a ramp or sloped concrete walkway leading to a front door wide enough to accommodate a wheelchair with a barrier-free threshold. Inside, wider hallways and doorways, strategic lighting and appliances installed at lower heights are mainstays of universal design. Counters of varying heights, drop-down cabinet racks and roll-under sinks in kitchens and zero-entry showers, slip-resistant flooring and grab bars in bathrooms offer enhanced accessibility.

Consider Alternative Energy Sources

With today's electric grid, more than two-thirds of the energy is wasted; it never reaches homes. Unlike electricity, propane is stored in a large tank either above or below ground on the property. A 500-gallon tank can hold enough propane to meet the annual energy needs of an average single-family home – enough to power major systems in a home.

Propane pairs well with other energy sources, including grid electricity and on-site solar, which makes it a viable option for dual-energy homes. Like natural gas, propane can power major appliances such as your furnace, water heater, clothes dryer, fireplace, range and standby generator. Often, propane works more efficiently with fewer greenhouse gas emissions than electricity, meaning your home is cleaner for the environment.

Propane can even power a whole-home standby generator, which is often a big selling point. When a homeowner purchases a standby generator, a licensed electrician installs the unit outside the home and wires it to the home's circuit breaker. When a power outage occurs, the generator automatically senses the disruption of service and starts the generator's engine, which then delivers power to the home. From the warm, comfortable heat of a propane furnace to the peace of mind offered by a propane standby generator, many homeowners trust propane to provide a safe, efficient, whole-home energy solution.

Build a Team of Experts

Hiring the right people can make the process of turning your dream into reality go much smoother. Start by researching reputable builders, paying special attention to the types of homes they build to find a style that matches what you're looking for as well as price ranges for past homes they've built. Consider how long the builders have been in business and if they're licensed and insured.

Depending on your builder's capabilities, you may also need to hire an architect or designer. In addition to your real estate agent to assist with purchasing the lot and selling your previous home, you may need assistance from other professionals, such as a real estate attorney, landscape architect and propane supplier. A local propane supplier can work with the builder to install a properly sized propane storage tank either above or below ground and connect appliances.

Find more ideas for building your dream home at Propane.com.



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You may be surprised to learn propane can power major appliances, which can increase the value of a home because of their high performance, efficiency and reduced dependence on the electrical grid.

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Standby Generator

Propane standby generators supply supplemental electricity in as little as 10 seconds after an outage. Plus, propane doesn't degrade over time, unlike diesel or gasoline, making it an ideal standby power fuel.

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Propane-powered clothes dryers generate up to 42% fewer greenhouse gas emissions compared to electric dryers. They also dry clothes faster, which can reduce energy use and cost.

Range

With up to 15% fewer greenhouse gas emissions compared to electric ranges, propane-powered ranges also allow for greater control of heat levels. Plus, their instant flame turnoff capabilities help them cool faster.

Tankless Water Heater

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Historic Paramount Theatre In Central Indiana Expands 2023 Programming With Three Unique Shows

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The historic Paramount Theatre, alongside 2023 Season Sponsor Community Hospital Anderson, announces today the addition of three incredible performances to its 2023 live entertainment lineup – Cinderella's Tom Keifer, Marshall Charloff and the Purple Xperience, and B – The Underwater Bubble Show.

About these three new shows:

Cinderella's Tom Keifer with Special Guest John Corabi – Friday, Aug. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Most seats available at \$35 and \$49. Limited seating available at \$75 and \$115.

Tom Keifer's story begins as the frontman and guitarist of hard rock heavyweights Cinderella. His signature voice and bluesy songwriting helped sell 15 million records. He transitioned to a successful solo career with his band, and after 10 years, they are embarking on the Live Loud Tour, featuring the hits of Cinderella and new favorites.

Marshall Charloff and The Purple Xperience – Saturday, Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Most seats available at \$29 and \$39. Limited seating available at \$75.

The Purple Xperience is a five-piece group that presents the greatest and most authentic production of a Prince and The Revolution concert. Lead singer Marshall Charloff recreates the magic of Prince with the fashion, vocals, and even the multi-instrumental talent of the late legend.

B – The Underwater Bubble Show – Thurs-

day, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m.

Most seats available at \$15 and \$32. Limited seating available at \$65.

B – The Underwater Bubble Show is a visual, musical, and emotional show that transports guests into an imaginary underwater world with a real feeling of being submerged in the ocean deep. The show follows Mr. B, a creature of modern habits who discovers an aquarium that appears like magic inside his briefcase and gradually becomes enchanted by the wondrous underwater world of Bubblelandia, full of seahorses, dragon fish, starfish, mermaids, and other creatures. The visually spectacular show incorporates the latest stage technology with lasers, low-ground smoke, and flying foam, stimulating waves and the underwater atmosphere.

Current Paramount Theatre Lineup:

Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band – Sunday, June 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Cinderella's Tom Keifer with Special Guest John Corabi – Friday, Aug. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Leonid & Friends: The Music of Chicago – Thursday, Sept. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

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Marshall Charloff and The Purple Xperience – Saturday, Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

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About the Anderson Paramount Theatre The Paramount Theatre Centre & Ballroom has been in operation since Aug. 20, 1929.

The Paramount has inspired many spectators with its architecture, entertainment, and history. On behalf of generous local benefactors with an appreciation of history, the theatre continues to shine as brightly on the outside as the stars do inside. The Paramount offers residents and visitors unique entertainment options year-round in partnership with Honeywell Arts & Entertainment. For more information about the Anderson Paramount Theatre, visit AndersonParamount.org.

About Honeywell Arts & Entertainment

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment encompasses the full range of arts opportunities and venues of The Honeywell Foundation, a nonprofit public arts charity in Wabash, Indiana. The organization is dedicated to the enhancement of artistic, social, cultural, and recreational opportunities for all. Offerings take place online and at six venues: the Honeywell Center, Honeywell House, Eagles Theatre, Charley Creek Gardens, Dr. James Ford Historic Home, and the 13-24 Drive In. Programs are made possible by the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts: a federal agency, and by generous donors. For more information about The Honeywell Foundation, visit HoneywellArts.org.

Planning A California Road Trip

(Family Features) With near-endless sunshine, world-class theme parks and abundant outdoor experiences, California is an ideal destination to embark on an unforgettable adventure.

To make it easy for travelers to plan their trips, the 2023 California Road Trips guide includes 13 action-packed itineraries that begin and end at one of the state's 27 commercial airports, highlighting how easy it is to fly into any region of the Golden State and hit the road.

"California's natural beauty, diverse topography and culturally rich communities are the perfect backdrop for an epic road trip experience," said Caroline Beteta, president and CEO of Visit California, a nonprofit organization that partners with the state's travel industry to develop and maintain marketing programs that keep California top-of-mind as a premier travel destination. "This year's guide showcases how the state's vast network of international and regional airports provide travelers with convenient access

to every corner of the California Road Trip Republic."

The guide's cover star, Dwyane Wade, a three-time NBA champion, dad and owner of Napa Valley winery Wade Cellars, moved to Los Angeles after his retirement in 2019. Wade said California granted him a soulful landscape and much-needed quiet time.

"I like to find moments where no one can expect anything of me and California allows me to have those moments," Wade said. "I'll drive to the beach and walk next to the water. I'll drive all over to find those moments to connect with myself... I get my energy from that."

While California's world-renowned coastline provides a dramatic backdrop, adventures can be found in every region of the Golden State. Featured drives take travelers to both cities and classic small towns, family attractions and far-reaching, otherworldly landscapes. A few sample road trip itineraries include:

* "Animals, Desert and Offbeat Art"

combines kid-friendly experiences like LEGOLAND California and the San Diego Zoo Safari Park with the rich arts culture and stargazing opportunities in Borrego Springs.

* "Cactus and Cocktails" explore both the cosmopolitan pleasures of Palm Springs and the rugged sceneries of Joshua Tree National Park and the Mojave National Preserve.

* "National Park Adventures" is a 412-mile adventure that begins at Fresno Yosemite Airport and explores the wonders of Yosemite, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.

* "Road to Gold" is a four-day trek that begins in Sacramento, explores Lake Tahoe and meanders back through Gold Country with photo opportunities at every turn.

* "Innovation and Agricultural Bounty" features a San Jose-based itinerary that showcases cutting-edge arts, charming seaside villages and bountiful farmlands on a 238-mile journey.

To order a guide, go to VisitCalifornia.com/Travel-Guides.

How To Get The Most Out Of Your Retirement

(Family Features) Retiring from the workforce provides opportunities you may have been unable to take advantage of during your working years, including discovering new passions and devoting more time to the people you love.

Even though your income might be lower than when you were working full-time, being free of financial burdens like credit card debt or a mortgage may provide extra disposable income that allows you to explore hobbies, develop new skills or focus on spending time living life to the fullest.

In fact, if you're over the age of 62, own a home and have equity in it, you can extend your retirement runway by borrowing against that equity. A home equity conversion mortgage, like those available from Guaranteed Rate, a leader in mortgage lending and digital financial services with more than 850 branches across the United States, can flip the roles of lender and borrower. Homeowners can remain on their property and generate income, provided they own at least 60% of their home's equity and it is FHA eligible.

"These mortgages fit a very specialized segment of the marketplace, but for those seeking financial flexibility, they can

be a game-changer," said Jim Hettinger, executive vice president of operations, Guaranteed Rate. "Equity build-up over time is one of the most compelling reasons to purchase a home. These loans give long-time homeowners a way to enjoy the benefits of that equity in their retirement years - all while retaining ownership and continuing to live in the house they call home."

While this type of loan shares many similarities with home equity loans, the requirements generally allow for more flexible terms for homeowners, who remain responsible for property taxes, home insurance and home maintenance. Over time, the loan balance increases with the understanding the mortgage will one day be paid off, usually by selling the home, providing the homeowner more flexibility and comfort during retirement. Meanwhile, homeowners receive money from their homes in the form of a lump sum payment or line of credit without making monthly mortgage payments.

Consider these ways to take advantage of a home equity conversion mortgage and get the most out of your retirement.

Travel

With minimal limitations on vacation time in retirement, it's possible to get out and explore

both domestically and internationally. With the flexibility to take extended leave, retirees can even enjoy trips dedicated to a specific hobby or pastime, such as golfing, shopping, biking, attending sporting events, appreciating the arts and more. You could also consider purchasing a boat or motorhome to take your exploration to the next level.

Pick Up A New Hobby

With more time now available, it's possible to expand on hobbies you enjoyed while working or pick up an entirely new pursuit altogether. The possibilities are nearly endless, but some options to consider include gardening, dancing, reading, baking, hiking, collecting antiques, restoring furniture, golfing, bird watching, sculpting or wine or beer making, among others.

Learn A New Skill

Devoting time to pick up a new skill can help keep your mind and body sharp. Whether through formal classes or watching videos online to learn, speaking a new language, playing a musical instrument or cooking a new cuisine are popular options for enhancing your skills later in life.

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