

➔ TODAY'S VERSE
Psalm 37:4 Delight thyself
also in the LORD; and he
shall give thee the desires of
thine heart.



➔ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY
People who call our community their own.
What makes Isaiah Butler smile? "The Pedal Tractor Pull," said the 7-year-old Noblesville resident. He was found competing and winning the Youth Pedal Tractor Pull, for ages 6-7, at the Hamilton County 4-H Fair in Noblesville. "I never practiced," the first-time competitor said immediately after the contest. "I did do Ninja class, so probably that's why I am so strong," he said. What else helped him win the Pedal Pull? "I do back rolls, and sometimes I do flips in the air." How does he strengthen his legs for pedaling the tractor? "I ride a bike," said Isaiah, who showed off his shiny Hamilton County Farm Bureau Young Agrileaders 2023 Pedal Pull trophy. He is a second-grader at Our Lady of Grace Catholic School in Noblesville and is the son of Austin and Rachel Butler. He loves attending the 4-H Fair and participated in the Mini 4-H Camp earlier this year. Favorite activity at the 4-H Fair? "Pedal Tractor Pull." Favorite fair food? "Milkshakes." Find a photo of Isaiah competing in the Youth Pedal Tractor Pull at the Fair on Page 2 in Wednesday's edition of The Times. The 2023 Hamilton County 4-H Fair is over but watch for more Fair photos and Fair results in upcoming editions of The Times.

And Another Thing...
1. Patoka Lake will host two on-site dove hunting draws, Sept. 1 and 2, beginning at 6 a.m. ET.
The drawings will be held at the Patoka Lake Archery Range Shelterhouse, which is off South Ramp Road in Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area (SRA). The drawings will be for staked positions within a dove hunt field on the property. Approximately 17 stakes will be drawn each day. To be eligible, hunters must possess the proper licenses, stamps, and their federal HIP number. Drawn hunters will be allowed a maximum of two firearms per stake, and no more than 50 shells per hunter. Hunters must use nontoxic shot size 6 or smaller, and have their firearms plugged so that they can contain only three shells at any time. Shooting hours Sept. 1 and 2 are from 6:50 a.m. to 1 p.m. ET; the shooting fields are closed afternoons and evenings. All fields surrounding the sunflowers and buckwheat on South Ramp Road will have the same time restrictions Sept. 1 and 2. There will be no standby or refilling of stakes for early departures. Beginning Sept. 3, the fields along South Ramp Road will open to regular in-season shooting hours of one half hour before sunrise to sunset, and hunters must sign in at one of the property's check stations and sign out when they conclude their daily hunt.

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In a scene from Carmel Community Players' "Murder on the Orient Express," Col. Arbuthnot (Jeffrey Stratford, front center) comes to the aid of Mary Debenham (Olivia Carrier, left) with help from the Countess (Viviana Quinones Fabre) in front of on-lookers Greta Ohlsson (Nicole Sherlock), Helen Hubbard (Vickie Phipps), Hercule Poirot (Larry Adams) and Princess Dragomiroff (Cathie Morgan) in the murder-mystery-comedy that opens Friday at The Cat in Carmel.

CCP's 'Murder On The Orient Express' Takes Audience On Comedic Adventure



BETSY REASON
From The Editor's Desk...

This is not the "Murder on the Orient Express" play that people will expect. "Don't get me wrong. I love Agatha Christie, but she has a tendency to take herself and her characters very seriously," said show director Lori Raffel of Carmel.

While directing the original version of "Murder on the Orient Express" did not really appeal to Raffel, doing Ken Ludwig's version of "Murder on the Orient Express" got her excited to direct the show.

Patrons already know they'll get a good mystery, she said, "But these characters are fun and don't take themselves too seriously."

She said, "They certainly make me laugh during every run of the show."

The Carmel Community Players (CCP) show opens Friday and continues a total of seven performances through Aug. 13 at The Cat in Carmel.

This play is popular. In fact, it's the most highly produced comedy-mystery.

That's maybe why 55 people auditioned for the 11 roles of the show.

"I think it is because people know the story and you can't go wrong with Agathie Christie and Ken Ludwig," said Raffel, who has seen "Murder on the Orient Express" a few times but wasn't drawn to it until she read

Want TO GO?

What: Carmel Community Players presents Agatha Christie's "Murder on the Orient Express," adapted for the stage by Ken Ludwig, directed by Lori Raffel of Carmel.

When: Aug. 4-13, 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (Aug. 4, 5, 11, 12) and Thursday (Aug. 10), 2:30 p.m. Sundays (Aug. 6 and 13).

Where: The Cat in Carmel, 254 Veterans Way, Carmel.

How much: \$18 for adults, \$16 for ages 62 and older, students and military.

Tickets: <https://carmelplayers.org/> or 317-815-9387.

What else: Carmel Community Players' Fundraising Gala offers two nights of fun, at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 18 and 19 featuring a live performance of "Jerry's Girls," at Woodland Country Club in Carmel, with hors d'oeuvres, cash bar and silent auction. For tickets, visit carmelplayers.org

Ludwig's version.

While the show is not nonstop laughter and in the end it is about a murder, "the characters are given a fresh look and feel and it's fun," she said.

Every character is unique and has his or her own quirks.

This is Raffel's 31st show to direct at CCP, and she couldn't be happier about the cast she chose.

"This cast is amazing," Raffel said. "The entire rehearsal process has been made easier by

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Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Is Stepping Up Patrols To Prevent Stop-Arm Violations

Police Urge Drivers To Stop Illegal School Bus Passing.

As students head back to the classroom, the Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership is reminding motorists to stop for school buses or face the consequences.

Starting August 1, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office will increase patrols to prevent stop-arm violations, speeding and other forms of reckless driving around school buses and in school zones. The overtime patrols are funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through grants administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI).

When a school bus's red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, drivers must come to a complete stop. This is not a suggestion — it's the law.

"Our two biggest concerns this time of year are drivers not paying attention to the road and speeding," said Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush. "Most of the stop-arm violations we encounter stem from those actions. Help us keep kids safe by slowing down, putting away the distractions and stopping for buses."

Despite thousands of motorists being cited under the SAVE program, unsafe driving around school buses continues to be a concern, according to state officials.

In April, thousands of bus drivers who participated in a one-day observational survey counted 2,091 stop-arm violations in Indiana. That one-day total, when multiplied by the number of school days, adds up to a potential 376,380 violations throughout the school year.

The data comes from the National School Bus Illegal Passing Driver Survey, which is managed by the Indiana Department of Education in the state. This year, data collection took place on April 25, with 6,665 bus drivers participating from 195 school districts.

"It is disheartening that we still have people who are willing to put the lives of students and bus drivers at risk," said Devon McDonald, ICJI Executive Director. "Law enforcement cannot be everywhere, so it is up to drivers to do the right thing and exercise caution around school buses. Students' lives depend on it."

During the enforcement period, officers will coordinate with local bus drivers and school transportation officials, with efforts concentrated in the morning and afternoon hours.

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:46 a.m.
SET: 9:01 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures
High: 78 °F
Low: 63 °F

Today is...

- Esther Day
- Grab Some Nuts Day
- National IPA Day

What Happened On This Day

- **2005** Coup in Mauritania. A military coup replaced long-time president Maouyoua Ould Sid' Ahmed Taya. Colonel Ely Ould Mohamed Vall took over the transitional government until elections were held in 2005.
- **1946** World's first theme park opens its doors in Santa Claus, Indiana, USA. Santa Claus Land is now known as Holiday World & Splashin' Safari.
- **1900** Firestone Tire and Rubber Company is founded. The American tire company was founded by Harvey Samuel Firestone in Akron, Ohio. In 1988, the company was taken over by Japan's Bridgestone Corporation.

Births On This Day

- **1941** Martha Stewart American businesswoman, publisher, author, founded Living Omnimedia
- **1940** Martin Sheen American actor

Deaths On This Day

- **1929** Thorstein Veblen American economist, sociologist
- **1924** Joseph Conrad Polish/English author

Westfield Chamber News, Updates And Upcoming Events

Chamber Day at Colts Training Camp

What a beautiful day of football and networking with other Indiana Chambers and Members for Chamber Day at Colts Training Camp! A special shout out to Hampton Inn Westfield for being our title sponsor. We always love partnering with our friends at the Indianapolis Colts and Grand Park for these exciting experiences.

The training camp schedule and some business specials are included in the Colts Training Camp section below. For more information on tickets, check out the Colts website.

Chamber News

Westfield Announces Eggs & Issues Partnership with One-Zone Chamber

Westfield Chamber announces its partnership with OneZone and Northern Hamilton County Chamber to host a monthly

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➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you snore loudly or appear to stop breathing while sleeping, you may have sleep apnea.

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 thetimes24-7.com



➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Here's a tip of the seed corn cap to Ernie Pyle. The famed Hoosier war correspondent was born on this date in 1900 in little Dana, Indiana!



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

➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"One day you discover you are alive... but, not long after, the sun goes out. Snow falls, but no one sees it, on an August noon." Ray Bradbury

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

What did August say when June claimed that today is July the 4th?
Don't July to me!

13 WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

83 PARTLY SUNNY, HAZY WED	63/78 HUMID, SPOTTY SHOWERS THU	66/86 STICKY AND WET FRI	67/86 RAIN CHANCE LATE DAY SAT	68/87 AUGUST DRIZZLES SUN	66/78 STORMY, RAINING MON	61/81 LESS HUMID TUE
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OBITUARIES

David Lee Davis

June 30, 1950, Friday, July 28, 2023

David Lee Davis, age 73, passed away peacefully at his home in Sheridan, Indiana, surrounded by his loving family on Friday afternoon, July 28, 2023.

Born June 30, 1950 in Greensburg Indiana, he was the son of the late R.G. and Gladys P. (Bate) Davis. He attended Triton Central High School in Fairland, Indiana, and honorably served his country as a soldier in the United States Army.

David was raised in the Pilgrim Holiness faith, and used that as a guiding principle throughout his life. He was a member of the NRA, the American Legion, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, and the Sheridan Masonic Lodge F&AM #309.

David worked for Automatic Door for several years as an installer and repair technician, before hiring on with St. Vincent Hospital Corporation in 1980. During his career with St. Vincent, he was their Jack of all trades. From refrigeration mechanic to maintenance supervisor, and everything in between, David kept things running. In 2012, after 32 years of service, David tried his hand at retirement, but that wasn't quite his style. Less time at the hospital meant more time he could devote to the things he was truly passionate about... and that was a fairly lengthy list.

A farmer at heart, David loved raising cattle, as well as growing hay, corn, and soybeans. From fixing and maintaining the equipment (although broken equipment is never fun), to putting in countless hours in the fields, taking care of the herd, setting up all night with the farm's newest arrival, and the countless other duties that fall before you on any given day on the farm.

David was definitely in his element. When he had a little bit time for himself, he could be found in a deer stand, or fishing, or doing a little horseback riding. Though it often seemed like David was going in 10 different directions, his attention would laser-focus on his family - especially his grandkids.

When the children were younger, he coached them in baseball and softball, and as the grandkids started getting involved in different activities, he followed every sport, team, and project they were a part of. Any occasion for the family to get together was always a plus, but Christmas was always a special time for David. He loved having the family together and the presents that made the holiday extra special. David always seemed to be twice as excited as the kids were about unwrapping everything. David was a kind and loving person, whose gentle soul will be missed by everyone who had the privilege to know him. He loved to make people laugh, taking his moniker as the family jokester very seriously. There was never a missed opportunity for a good prank when it came to family and friends.

David is survived by the love of his life, Sandra Lee (Manning) Davis. She and David were married on July 31, 1982. Also surviving are his son, Jeremiah G. Davis of Sheridan; daughters, Heidi L. Peyton (Joe) of Westfield, and Dana L. Vanderkleed (Mike) of Sheridan; 9 grandchildren, Kelsey Peyton, Kyle Peyton, Chloe Davis-Crews, Brady Davis, Alexia Schwerdtfeger, Gavin Schwerdtfeger, Braxton Schwerdtfeger, Aidan Vanderkleed, and Savannah Vanderkleed; brother, Raymond Davis (Georgia) of Lebanon; nephew, Bryan David Roubush of Sheridan; his yellow lab, Rowdy; and his feline BFF, Ruby.

He was preceded in death by his parents, R.G. and Gladys P. (Bate) Davis; sister, Eula Davis Emerson; brother, Gerald "Gary" Davis; sister-in-law, Martha Cooper; and by his son, Justin E. Davis.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 5, 2023, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th Street, Sheridan, Indiana.

Burial with Military Honors will follow at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor Jim Kyle will be officiating. Visitation will take place from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm on Friday, August 4, 2023, at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the American Cancer Society.



Naoma G. Stiles

Monday, February 27, 2023

Our beloved mother and grandmother Naoma G. Stiles peacefully passed away on February 27, 2023, at the age of 96. Naoma will be most remembered by her children as a gung-ho Marine's wife who served as a true example of one from America's Greatest Generation.

As a young wife, she took immense pride in keeping a home that was immaculate and inviting. She also took pride in the daily preparation of hearty meals for her food-loving Marine and children. Although the Marine eventually retired, Naoma never really did. She continued to cook feasts and welcome family and friends into her Florida home. Folks who visited her there will remember she had an unusual pet... a large-mouthed bass named Big Boy.

Naoma was never idle. She rode many miles on her no-gear Schwinn bike to keep fit and was still jumping rope in her 80s! She was an amazing gardener and also a quilter. There were quilts that won best in show and today many of her quilts adorn the beds of family and friends. Grandchildren surely remember the home-baked goodies they received in the mail each Christmas. There are also fond memories of times spent at the card table.

Naoma was a kind and giving person- except when it came to playing Queen of Spades. In her later years, her enjoyment of a good card game may only have been exceeded by the enjoyment she got from sitting down each afternoon with a big bowl of ice cream!

Naoma is survived by her children, Jerry Stiles, Cristina Stiles (Allan Mitchell), and Sam Stiles (Nenita); grandchildren, Rebecca Stiles (Nick Sophinos), Naomi Magoon (Andy), Krysta Stiles, and Wayne Mitchell (Rebecca Hames); and her great-grandchildren, Dimitri, Xavier, Grace, Cora and Arlo.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Neil P. Stiles; her siblings, Virginia Hollingsworth, Betty Olsen, and Robert Presley; and two grandsons, Neil V. Stiles and Marshall Stiles.

A celebration of Naoma's life will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 5, 2023, at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan, Indiana. Anyone wishing to make donations in her memory should consider a charity that supports the families of those in the armed forces or families of veterans. We know that would delight Naoma immensely.



Gov. Holcomb Makes Appointments To Various Boards And Commissions

A man from Noblesville and two others from Hamilton County were tabbed by Gov. Eric Holcomb to serve on the Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission.

David Porter of Noblesville, president of Mechanical Contracting Services, Inc., was one of five new appointments to the commission. Porter is joined

by Scott Miller of Carmel. Miller is president of Bowman Construction and is also a new appointee. Both will serve through July 31, 2027.

Logan Cook of Fishers, senior associate and unit manager with Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, was reappointed by Holcomb. Cook's term also goes to July 31, 2027.

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 • Weekday games may be scheduled based on interest or in the event of rainouts
 • Single-elimination tournament played September 30th & October 1st

Where: Noblesville Babe Ruth Facility - Logan and Emmerson Fields Forest Park, Noblesville

Who: Everyone - 7th-8th Grade and 9th-12th Grade (based on 2023-2024 School Year Enrollment)
 • 7th - 8th Grade League
 • 9th - 12th Grade League
 * **Note:** Post HS players are not eligible for Fall Ball
 • 2 Divisions in each league: Travel and Rec
 * **Note:** Travel Division will be limited to 4-6 teams in each league on a first-come, first served basis

Cost: \$80 per individual registration/ \$900 per full-roster team registration
 * **Note:** Credit card and processing fees apply and will be added at checkout

How Do I Register? www.noblesvillebaberuthbaseball.com

Registration Deadline: August 6th

Never miss a public notice on legal proceedings! After it prints in your local newspaper, it goes online here: IndianaPublicNotices.com

From Ernie Pyle To Polls To Scott Rolen . . .



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

Scatter shooting while wondering whatever happened to Joe Besser . . . * * *

AUG. 3, 1900 was the day Ernie Pyle was born. For those who know, no explanation is necessary. If you don't, Ernie was born just up the road in little Dana, Ind. and became America's most famous World War II correspondent. He was beloved by the reading public and GI's alike. He wrote stories from the front lines - not of battles and statistics, but of the guy in the foxhole or on the beach and what they were feeling. His work was so good that he was followed by millions . . . and was awarded a Pulitzer Prize.

Growing up, my dad who served in the U.S. Army revered Ernie and Bill Mauldin (creator of the cartoon Willie and Joe) and taught me respect for the military and the flag. Thank God for that. If you get a chance, go to Dana and see the Ernie Pyle World War II Museum and his birthplace. Granted, it's a long drive and truth to tell, it doesn't take all that long to tour the facilities. But it's worth every second.

By the way, Ernie lost his life when he was shot by an enemy machine gun in the Pacific in April of 1945, just months before the end of the war.

THE POLLS show . . . are you kidding me? If there is anything that symbolizes the insanity running through our country right now, it's political polls. Has our memory grown so short that we don't remember how far off the political polls were in the last few elections? Remember that sizable lead Hillary had over the Donald? Or the one Trump had over Biden?

I don't know which is worse, the media for continuing to report such drivel, or us for paying attention.

SPEAKING OF insanity, what in the world is the fuss over a country song from Jason Aldean? I can't say I'm a fan of Aldean. I couldn't name one of his songs if you paid me. But after the buzz surrounding Try That In A Small Town, I wanted to see what the clamor was all about. I

googled the lyrics and I watched the video a couple of times.

Critics claim the song is racist. Country Music Television yanked it pretty quickly. And the (maybe this is the theme of the day) insanity ensued.

I'm no music expert, but here are a couple of observations. If you watch the video, it sure looks like an awful lot of the idiots shown in random acts of violence are white. Maybe Aldean doesn't like white people?

There's a TV show called The View - if you've never seen it, don't waste your time. Some of the women went off on Aldean and the song. Their take - it's like a dog whistle that's meant to be heard by racists everywhere.

Just one man's opinion, but hogwash.

A lot of Americans - yours truly included - are sick and tired of some of the crap going on in big cities. But bigger than that, A LOT bigger than that, is the idea that folks like those on The View can take something and twist it into what it's not. Think that's wrong? Watch the video. Listen to the lyrics.

We can argue all day, but the facts are pretty simple. Racism is wrong. It's not just a little wrong, it's a lot wrong. But arguing or agreeing isn't going to change history. It's not going to make some stupid people suddenly wise up and respect their fellow man. It's not going to change bias - which goes way beyond race.

There are enough real examples of bias and racism in this country. Let's stop inventing ones that don't exist because that's only making things worse.

We all get to have our own opinions. What we don't get is our own set of facts. Enough.

WHILE WE'RE on the subject of our own "facts," did you catch the recent news out of Arizona where Gov. Katie Hobbs and Attorney General Kris Mayes defied the U.S. Supreme Court ruling on abortions and set their own standards?

This is not a pro or con argument on abortion. This is about elected officials deciding which laws they like and which ones they don't - and making the enforcement of those contingent on that. What if it happened all across the country?

Essentially, we'd have 50 governors ruling the U.S. Or what if it went to the county level? We have about 3,100 counties and equivalents in the U.S. What if each one decided which federal laws and rulings they wanted to enforce . . . or not?

Pretty sure that's called chaos.

STAYING ON the theme of insanity. Ever sat in a long line of stop-and-go traffic only to watch someone ahead of you let a car out from a side street? Here's a question: Are they being nice to that driver, or penalizing those behind?

YOU KNOW, I had a list of other things to bring up this week - chestfeeding, Hunter Biden, Donald Trump, cocaine in the White House, Mitch McConnell . . . talk about insane. It's just too depressing. What's it going to take to get this country back on the right track?

LET'S END on a bright note, shall we? For sports fans - and non-sports fans alike - you won't find a better example of what's right with the world than Scott Rolen's Hall of Fame speech (google it). Rolen, a Jasper, Ind. boy, talked about his upbringing more than his career. He credited his parents for teaching him the important things in life. All too often we are reminded of athletes and their me-first attitudes. Not so with Rolen. He's exactly what a role model should be.

JOE BESSER? Three Stooges fans will remember him as basically the fifth of six stooges. He was the one who came along after Shemp died. You may recall him saying things like, "Not so haaaaard." By the way, Moe Howard and Larry Fine were the two who appeared during the decades-long run of the comedy geniuses. Curly Howard, Shemp Howard, Besser and Joe DeRita were the other four.

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

Student Loan Pause Ending - Don't Get Scammed

After more than three years of relief, the payment pause on student loans is coming to an end. The U.S. Department of Education recently announced that student loan interest will resume Sept. 1, and payments will be due starting in October.

This student loan news affects millions of Americans, which creates an excellent opportunity for scammers. In fact, the Better Business Bureau has already received multiple reports of scams related to student loan repayment citing "new 2023 guidelines." Get to know the signs of a scam and always be sure to do your research before sharing any personal information.

How the scam works
You receive an email, letter, or phone call from someone claiming you are eligible for "student loan consolidation," "payment reduction program," or a similar service. This new benefit is allegedly part of "the new 2023 guidelines," and the scammer may even claim to represent the Federal Student Aid (FSA) department.

If you respond, the scammer will ask you for personal information to "confirm your identity" or to "check your eligibility." This information might include your Social Security number, name and address, and even your FSA.gov login information.

After "verifying your identity" the scammer will offer you an enticing plan to reduce your loan repayment. If you agree, you may end up making payments to a third-party

for months or even years. None of your payments will go toward your student loan. And even if you don't make a payment, sharing personal information puts you at risk for identity theft.

Tips to avoid student loan forgiveness scams
Get to know the terms of your student loan and the relief program before acting. Always do your research before sharing personal information. Be sure to understand the ins and outs of your specific loan and how student loan terms impact you. You may have to research who your current loan servicer is since it may have changed. Reach out to them to explore all your repayment options and make sure your contact information is up to date. For information, go straight to official government websites, such as ED.gov and studentaid.gov.

Never pay money for a free government program. Scammers often trick victims into paying for free government programs - or they claim you can get additional benefits, faster benefits, etc., for a fee. A real government agency will not ask for an advanced processing fee. These are all red flags of a scam.

Be wary of out-of-the-blue calls, emails, or text messages claiming to be from the government. Generally, the government will not contact you using these methods unless you grant permission.

Watch out for phony government agencies or

programs. If you speak to someone claiming to be a government representative offering you student loan relief, research before you agree to anything. Scammers often make up look-alike government websites that sound similar to legitimate agencies or programs.

Think something seems suspicious? Reach out to the agency directly. If you have any concerns about an alleged government representative's legitimacy, hang up the phone or stop emailing/texting. Then, find the official contact information (look on ED.gov and studentaid.gov or other official sites) and call to verify. Then, report suspicious calls or messages.

Be careful, even if the information comes from a friend. Even if a close friend or family member you trust sent you the information regarding student loan relief, make sure the claims are real first. During the COVID-19 pandemic, BBB received many reports of hacked social media accounts being used to spread government impostor scams.

For more information
Read more on BBB.org about scams targeting recent college graduates and government impostors. Get further insight by reading BBB's tips on loans and credit repair services.

If you've spotted a student loan forgiveness scam (whether or not you've lost money), report it to BBB.org/ScamTracker. Your report can help others avoid falling victim to scams.

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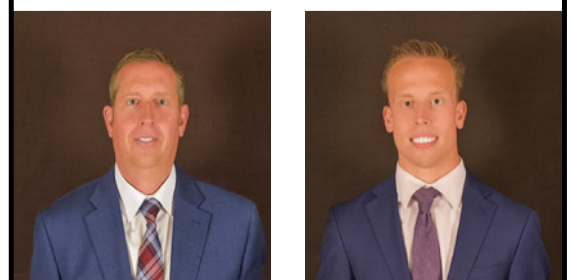
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'Bidenomics' And Its Indiana And U.S. Impacts



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In April 2022, Gov. Eric Holcomb announced \$189 million for 154 Next Level broadband expansion projects, this coming atop a \$100 million program in 2019. But on a helicopter flight coming back from Evansville in late June, there was yet another high-five moment. The governor had received word from U.S. Commerce Sec. Gina Raimondo that Indiana would be receiving \$868 million to extend high-speed internet to the proverbial "last mile."

"What this announcement means for people across the country is that if you don't have access to quality, affordable high-speed Internet service now – you will, thanks to President Biden and his commitment to investing in America," Raimondo, a former colleague of Holcomb's when she was governor of Rhode Island, said. "Just like the Rural Electrification Act a century ago and the Interstate Highway

System that followed it, this is our generation's opportunity for a transformational infrastructure investment."

Holcomb was ecstatic, calling this motherlode of federal funding a "game changer."

While 92% of Hoosier households use devices to connect to the World Wide Web, 14% of Indiana households do not have access. That \$868 million comes atop Gov. Holcomb's Next Level program that has spent \$575 million to connect 72,000+ homes and 83 counties," Holcomb posted following the announcement. "The new federal funding will empower the program to expand broadband in the coming years and give more Hoosiers the power of connectivity."

These were funds forged by Biden's American Rescue Plan (ARP) passed by Congress on party-line votes and signed into law in late 2021, which only Indiana Democrat Reps. Andre Carson and Frank Mrvan helped pass.

But this latest \$868 million is only a fraction of federal funds flowing into Indiana since Biden took

office in 2021.

Last month, it was announced Indiana's Family Social Services Administration would receive \$29 million in funding for opioid crisis response and substance use disorder services.

There is the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is expected to bring Indiana \$6.9 billion over five years in Federal highway formula funding for highways and bridges.

And then there is the American Rescue Plan, passed in 2021 as part of COVID-19 pandemic relief. Its Indiana impact include:

It funded the \$500 million first round of Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative (READI), which has generated billions of dollars in additional investments.

The state's unemployment rate has fallen from 4.7% in January 2021 to 3.1% in December 2022 (it stood at 3.2% in June).

There have been a record 170,000 new small business applications in Indiana.

ARP provided direct pandemic recovery funds to all 625 Indiana towns, cities and coun-

ties — avoiding cuts and investing in public safety, housing, workforce development and other critical areas.

Over 280 school districts in Indiana were provided funding to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely.

3,270 child care programs in Indiana received support to help keep their doors open, impacting up to 157,000 children.

Working family tax relief through the expanded child tax credit totaled 822,000 for Indiana families with 1.4 million children.

There were 1,188 Indiana restaurants that received vital relief through the American Rescue Plan's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.

Then there are national trends. June numbers show inflation has been cut by more than two-thirds from its peak — down to 3% year-over-year from 9.1%.

Biden's Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is "driving a boom in large-scale infrastructure," wrote Ellen Zentner, chief U.S. economist for Morgan Stanley.

Biden signed the CHIPS

and Science Act, co-authored by U.S. Sen. Todd Young (but without the support of most of the Indiana GOP congressional delegation) in August 2022. The Semiconductor Industry Association cites Biden signed the CHIPS Act, including Skywater in West Lafayette (\$1.8 billion in investments and 750 jobs), Trusted Semiconductor Solutions in Oden (\$34 million invested and 40 jobs), NHanced Semiconductors of Oden (\$236 million invested with 413 jobs); and Everspin Technologies (also of Oden, which is located about five miles from the Crane Naval Surface Warfare Center) which is expected to generate 35 jobs.

The Nasdaq-100 finished the first half of 2023 with a gain of 39.4%, compared to the S&P 500's gain of 16.9%. According to CNBC, the Dow closed at 35,438.07 on Wednesday, its 12th consecutive daily gain, but a tad below its historic high of 36,799.65 on Jan. 4, 2022.

So far, all of this economic news isn't translating into solid political support for Biden, who

led former President Trump 49%-44% in a hypothetical general election Quinnipiac Poll matchup last week. The Real Clear Politics polling composite on Biden's overall job approval stood at 41.8%. On the RCP direction of the country, just 23.8% say the U.S. is on the right track, compared to 67.2% saying it's on the wrong track.

Clearly, the White House and Biden re-election campaign have a messaging dilemma. This prompted Axios to observe on July 14: "If you spend your life looking at economic data, these look like the best of times: Inflation is a mere 3%. Unemployment is hovering near 50-year lows. But that's not how the bulk of Americans see it. Americans' views of the economy are colored by their politics as much as the actual state of the economy."

Bringing home the bacon ... doesn't it mean what it used to.

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Electrician Shortage Hampering Transition To Renewables



Dear EarthTalk: Is America's electrician shortage hurting our ability to get away from fossil fuels?

A shift away from fossil fuels is necessary if we are to mitigate climate change, but a serious electrician shortage in the U.S. is proving to be one of the biggest barriers to reaching this goal. An American energy transition will be difficult to realize without enough people with the technical skills to implement it!

In August 2022, President Biden introduced the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) which included climate legislation aimed at lowering emissions and stimulating the green job economy. The act pledges a \$370 billion investment over the next decade in clean energy initiatives, and includes tax rebates to ensure that using renewable power sources is the accessible and attractive option.

The act thus increases the demand for the people who make these changes possible: electricians. To service the greater number of electric vehicles on roads (due to the \$7,500 tax rebate on new electric vehicles), electricians need to install hundreds of charging stations along highways. The shortage of electricians, particularly in California and the Northeastern states

where demand for these developments is greatest, manifests as months-long waiting lists, discouraging consumers from going green.

Unfortunately, the rate at which electricians are retiring is greater than the rate at which new electricians are joining the workforce. Despite the median electrician's salary being greater than the average American salary, it is proving difficult to recruit and retain younger electricians. A university education is often perceived to be the most desirable route out of high school. The director of a regional apprenticeship program of the Laborers' International Union of North America said to David Owen of The New York Times, that despite union members earning more than \$50 per hour (in wages and benefits) ...one challenge "is overcoming the hesitation of parents who worry that "laborer" means "sweeper."

Technical schools, for those few who decide to attend, lack funding and teachers—experts earn far more in industry than they do teaching. Similarly, many electricians choose not to take on apprentices because it drains company money and time. Fortunately, some states (see below) offer tax credits to employers who take on apprentices, an incentive which encourages experienced laborers to educate the next generation. If

your state is not listed, appeal to your local congressperson for change.

The extent of the electrician shortage could also be reduced by resolving the gaping hole in the skilled-labor industry: women and people of color. Harassment, historically exclusionary unions and lack of childcare are sometimes insurmountable barriers to entry. Only seven percent of electricians are black, and less than two percent are women. Developing and diversifying the workforce is sorely needed, but while that will emerge as it is doing in many industries, consider becoming an electrician. As climate activist Bill McKibben told The New York Times in an interview: "If you know a young person who wants to do something that's going to help the world and wants to make a good living at the same time, tell them to go become an electrician."

CONTACTS: *Inflation Reduction Act Guidebook, whitehouse.gov/cleanenergy/inflation-reduction-act-guidebook/; Apprenticeship Credit States, apprenticeship.gov/investments-tax-credits-and-tuition-support/state-tax-credits-and-tuition-support.*

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BETSY From Page A1



Photo courtesy of Carmel Community Players

Carmel Community Players' production of "Murder on the Orient Express" features cast members Mohamed Amin (back, from left), Jonathan Young, Jeffrey Stratford, assistant director Samantha Kelly and director Lori Raffel; Larry Adams (middle, from left), Viviana Quinones Fabre, Vickie Phipps, Cathie Morgan; and Nicole Sherlock (back, from left), Olivia Carrier and Earl Campbell. The show opens Friday at The Cat.



Photo courtesy of Rob Slaven of Indy Ghost Light Photography

Samuel Ratchett (Tim Latimer, from left), Hercule Poirot (Larry Adams), Hector MacQueen (Jonathan Young), Countess Andrenyi (Viviana Quinones Fabre) and Monsieur Bouc (Earl Campbell)

everyone being 'off book' (lines memorized) quickly, and we have had fun experimenting with each character. I love a cast who comes in every rehearsal with ideas about their character, and that's what this group has been."

Her cast and crew -- who have put in so much time and effort for this show -- and all of their enthusiasm and dedication, she said, never cease to amaze her.

The show has a wonderful balance of murder, mystery and comedy.

The play is set in the 1930s on the Orient Express with a train full of suspects and an alibi for each one. It's the perfect whodunit mystery for Detective Hercule Poirot who takes it upon himself to solve the most thrilling case in his career.

Raffel said the show has great costumes and great hair.

"It hasn't been easy to make the 'Orient Express' with a community theater budget, but that's where creativity comes in."

So she urges folks to come to the show and see for yourselves.

What's the key to good comedy?

Raffel said, "The key to good comedy, I think, is to make it look effortless. Never look like you are trying to make the audience laugh. If the script is good and the actor has a great imagination, that's half the battle."

Raffel grew up in Carmel and got the theater bug while acting in productions at Carmel High School with Mr. Fox. "I think we are very blessed to have a community that embraces the arts," she said. Raffel went on to earn a degree in theater at

Meet the CAST

- Hercule Poirot - Larry Adams, Plttsboro
- Monsieur Bouc - Earl Campbell, Noblesville
- Mary Debenham - Olivia Carrier, Indianapolis
- Hector MacQueen - Jonathan Young, Fishers
- Michel the Conductor - Mohamed Amin, Carmel
- Princess Dragomiroff - Cathie Morgan, Carmel
- Greta Ohlsson - Nicole Sherlock, Indianapolis
- Countess Andrenyi - Viviana Quinones Fabre, Indianapolis
- Helen Hubbard - Vickie Phipps, Carmel
- Colonel Arbuthnot - Jeffrey Stratford, Carmel
- Samuel Ratchett - Tim Latimer, Indianapolis

Indiana University.

Until this year, she served on the CCP board of directors for 24 years in various capacities.

Raffel said, "And I decided to step back and just do what I love the most -- direct."

Coming up, CCP's Fundraising Gala offers two nights of fun, featuring a live performance of "Jerry's Girls" -- featuring CCP performers Heather Hansen, Jill O'Malia, Vickie Phipps, Susan Smith, Georgeanna Teipen and Diane Tsao -- at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 18 and 19 at Woodland Country Club in Carmel, with hors d'oeuvres, cash bar and silent auction. For tickets to the current play or to the fundraiser, visit carmelplayers.org.

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EVENTS From Page A1

advocacy event, Eggs & Issues. The partnership will officially begin with the August Eggs & Issues event. Eggs & Issues gives attendees the opportunity to hear about a variety of topics affecting our cities and towns, our county, and our state. Through this partnership, all three organizations will begin to look at current trends and provide high-quality speaker experiences.

The Heart of Westfield: Abbott's Innovative Heart Solutions are Improving Patients' Quality of Life

Heart disease continues to be the leading cause of death worldwide. This fact underscores the increasing need to treat structural heart conditions, especially as the population ages. For the past 130 years, Abbott, a global healthcare company headquartered out of Illinois, has followed their mission of helping people live life to the fullest. With a broad portfolio of technologies, it spans the spectrum of healthcare with leading businesses and products in diagnostics, medical devices, nutrition and even branded generic medicines. Their structural heart division addresses critical unmet needs for people with highly complex heart issues such as damaged valves or other heart defects.

"We run this whole portfolio of different ways to support that mission to live life fully from the moment you're born all the way through the end of life," says Nolan Barr, Sr. Manager of Business Excellence at Abbott. "We have life-changing and life-saving devices, offering treatments often

when there are no other options."

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The trip is open to Westfield Chamber Members and Westfield and Hamilton County Residents who would love to travel with a group of folks from our community.

Applications Now Open For Indiana Main Street Program

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs announced applications are now open for the 2024 Indiana Main Street program.

"The work that has been done by Indiana Main Street communities is remarkable," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "This program directly contributes to economic development and increased quality of life for Hoosiers across our state."

Indiana communities that attended a Main Street 101 in 2023 can apply for the OCRA Downtown Affiliate Network level. Communities currently at the ODAN level that completed any required waiting periods are eligible to apply to the next level, Aspiring IAMS one-year program. To learn more about Indiana Main Street levels, visit in.gov/ocra/mainstreet.

"Many of our Main Street communities see significant investment, economic growth and

downtown revitalization efforts each year," said OCRA Executive Director Denny Spinner. "Our Indiana Main Street program provides support, resources and trainings to best setup each community for success."

Communities seeking the ODAN level must submit their Letter of Intent and achieve all baseline requirements by 12 p.m. ET on Oct. 31, 2023.

Communities seeking the Aspiring IAMS level must submit their Letter of Intent and application by 12 p.m. ET on Dec. 28, 2023.

Current Aspiring-IAMS and IAMS should reach out to the Indiana Main Street senior program manager to learn more about moving to the next Indiana Main Street level.

For more information, visit in.gov/ocra/mainstreet/ or reach out to the local community liaison, which can be found at in.gov/ocra/community-liaisons/. All new community designations will be announced in March 2024.

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for the second.

If the person disregarding a school bus stop arm causes bodily injury to a person, the offense becomes a Class 6 felony. Violators face anywhere from six months to two and a half years in jail. If someone is killed, the offense becomes a Class 5 felony, carrying a sentence between one year and six years.



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3. How many live in the county, but not in Vincennes? \geq
4. What is the population density of the county? \leq

Answers: 1. About 48 percent 2. 229 Years 3. 20,017 People 4. 80/sq. mi.

Did You Know?

- Knox County was formed in 1790 and was Indiana's first organized county.
- Knox County was one of the original counties of the Northwest Territory and was created prior to the formation of the Indiana Territory. When it was created, Knox County extended to Canada and encompassed all or part of the present states of Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Ohio.
- The population in 2010 was 38,440 with 18,423 residing in the county seat, Vincennes
- According to the 2010 census, the county has a total area of 524.04 sq mi square miles

Got Words?

As Indiana's first county, what cultural impacts do you think this location played in the development of further counties and cities within Indiana

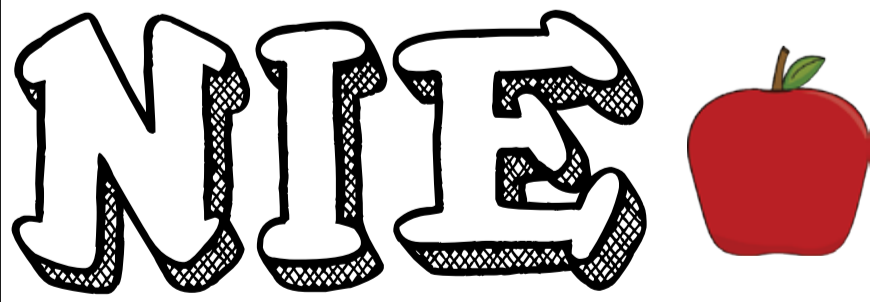
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Unscramble the words below!

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Purdue's 2023 Summer Commencement To Graduate More Than 1,500 Students And Celebrate 250th Commencement



Purdue University will host the 2023 summer commencement Aug. 5 in Elliott Hall of Music during two ceremonies honoring the persistent pursuits and giant leaps of more than 1,500 students. Since the first commencement ceremony in 1875, summer and winter commencements were added to each year's spring commencement, making this commencement the 250th in Purdue's history.

Indiana Governor, the Honorable Eric Holcomb, will help commemorate the milestone with a keynote speech during the afternoon ceremony, set for 2:30 p.m.

The morning ceremony will begin at 9:30 a.m. and include a keynote speech from Joe Watkins, co-founder of Socio, one of Purdue's recent successful all-student startups.

Eligible to participate in Purdue's summer commencement are 1,531 students, including 520 undergraduate, 620 master's, 356 Doctor of Philosophy, 27 professional program candidates and eight educational specialists.

"We are immensely proud of these graduates of our university. Reading their names one by one at the university ceremony, as we do in spring, summer and winter commencements each year, is yet another manifestation of excellence at scale at Purdue," said Purdue President Mung Chiang. "And we are honored and excited to welcome Governor Holcomb to campus as we celebrate Purdue's rich history and traditions during our 250th commencement



Photo courtesy of Purdue University

Purdue University's newest graduates will take the Elliott Hall of Music stage during two commencement ceremonies Aug. 5.

exercises."

The university and Holcomb will honor Purdue's 250th commencement during a brief celebration set to begin at 1:45 p.m.

The commencement ceremonies will take place as follows:

Division I — Saturday, Aug. 5, 9:30 a.m. (ET). Degrees for College of Agriculture, College of Engineering, Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr. School of Business, Polytechnic Institute.

Division II — Saturday, Aug. 5, 2:30 p.m. (ET). Degrees for the College of Education, College of Health and Human Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, College of Pharmacy, College of Science, College of Veterinary Medicine.

About Holcomb
 Holcomb is a lifelong Indiana resident and a veteran of the U.S. Navy. During his two terms of leadership as Indiana's 51st governor, Holcomb has earned a reputation as a pragmatic consensus builder. Since 2016 his efforts to deliver significant investments and advancements in infrastructure, education, workforce, quality of life and public health have been met with praise across the country.

In 2018, The Hill named Holcomb one of the top 10 governors shaping the future of politics. Under his lead-

ership in 2023, Forbes ranked Indiana the best state in the U.S. to start a business, and following his implementation of a long-term, \$60 billion Next Level Roads program, CNBC ranked Indiana No. 1 in the nation for infrastructure in 2019 and again in 2022. In 2019, Holcomb's work in the public health arena was honored by the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation, which presented him with the Circle of Hope Award. He sits on the Executive Committee of the Republican Governors Association, having previously served as its policy chairman.

About Watkins
 A South Bend, Indiana, native, Watkins' entrepreneurial drive first appeared in high school, but at Purdue, it blossomed. Participating in the university's Undergraduate Co-op Program, Watkins teamed up with two fellow students to co-found Socio, a modern event technology platform that manages the full life cycle of virtual, in-person and hybrid conferences.

Serving prestigious clients like Microsoft, Google and PepsiCo, Socio's success earned Watkins a spot on Forbes' 30 Under 30 list in 2020. The following year, Socio was acquired by Cisco and is now known as Webex Events, for which Watkins serves as chief customer officer.

Coats, Chunara to give student responses

Giving the student response at the Division I ceremony is Olivia Buenconsejo Coats of Fort Wayne, Indiana, who is receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in business marketing. During her time at Purdue, Coats held internships with a Chicago-based management consulting company, the John Martinson Honors College and Purdue Athletics. After graduation, Coats plans to pursue a career in dentistry.

Sameeta Chunara of Plano, Texas, who is receiving a Bachelor of Science in public health, will be the student responder for the Division II ceremony. Chunara is interning at The Aga Khan University in Pakistan as part of an international program. Following graduation, Chunara will pursue a Master of Health Administration degree at Tulane University.

Admission tickets required

Tickets are required for admission into Elliott Hall. Doors open 90 minutes before each ceremony, and all attendees with bags will need to have them checked at the door before entering the venue. Both ceremonies will be livestreamed. For those attending in person, parking information is available online.

New Conservation Record Set By Hoosier Farmers

According to a recent conservation survey, Indiana farmers have set a conservation record this year by planting an estimated 1.6 million acres of overwinter living covers.

"Protecting our most vital natural resources is top of mind for our Indiana farmers and this year's record breaking cover crop acreage is a testament to that," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "Through the implementation of cover crops and other conservation efforts, farmers are ensuring our land and water resources remain healthy and productive."

Overwintering living covers (i.e. - cover crops and small grains, like winter wheat) are known for their environmental benefits. Cover crops and small grains, planted in the fall after harvest, help increase organic matter in the soil and improve overall soil health by adding living roots to the soil for additional months of the year. Cover crops also improve water infiltration into the soil, while other covers, like legumes, serve as natural fertilizers.

Although the conservation transect does not differentiate between cover crops and small grains, Indiana farmers typically plant fewer than 200,000 acres of small grains annually, so cover crops vastly dominate the 1.6 million estimated acres. Apart from corn and soybeans, cover crops are planted on more acres than any other commodity crop in Indiana.

"Hoosier farmers have held strong at 1.5 million acres of cover crops planted since 2021, so we are excited our farmers were once again able to move the needle forward," said Don Lamb, Indiana State Department of Agriculture Director. "Soil conservation successes would not be possible without the dedicated farmers and the Indiana Conservation Partnership to help them along the way."

As a result of the cover crops planted, it is estimated that 1.7 million tons of sediment was prevented from entering Indiana's waterways, which

is enough sediment to fill more than 480 Olympic-size swimming pools. Overwintering covers also prevented 4.3 million pounds of nitrogen and over 2.2 million pounds of phosphorus from entering Indiana's waterways.

The conservation survey also showed that about 68% of farmed acres were not tilled and 17% had employed reduced tillage after the 2022 harvest. This early spring survey is not intended to quantify pre-planting tillage.

"Conserving our natural resources is not a one-agency job. Indiana conservation succeeds through its partnerships, working closely with individual farmers and landowners, local, state and federal government agencies, private industries, nonprofits, and many other people and groups," said Curtis Kneueven, Acting State Conservationist for Indiana's Natural Resources Conservation Service. "These partnerships share their unique areas of expertise and allow us to expand the reach and depth of conservation in Indiana."

The Indiana Conservation Partnership conducts many programs that help encourage private landowners to adopt cover crops as part of their agricultural strategy. One such initiative that helped contribute to the successful year for cover crops in 2022 was the Cover Crop Premium Discount Program (CCPDP). It is a program that provides a discount on crop insurance for planting cover crops. CCPDP assisted landowners in planting about 30 thousand acres of cover crops in 2022.

The conservation transect is a visual survey of cropland in the state. It was conducted between March and May 2023 by members of the Indiana Conservation Partnership, including the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana's Soil and Water Conservation Districts and Purdue Extension, as well as Earth Team volunteers, to show a more complete story of the state's conservation efforts.

Purdue Global Expands Opportunities Through Community College Of The Air Force Program

Purdue Global has updated its offerings within the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) Air University Associate-to-Baccalaureate Cooperative (AU-ABC) program.

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faculty members, who are equipped to guide them through their academic journey while being attentive to the challenges faced by military personnel," said Barbara Kent, Purdue Global's director of military student experience.

Recognizing the value of prior military education and experience, Purdue Global has streamlined the credit transfer process for CCAF students.

"Purdue Global has a long-standing commitment to maximizing credit transferability, allowing students to build upon existing knowledge and

seamlessly transition into their chosen programs. This eliminates redundancy in coursework and enables CCAF students to complete their degrees efficiently, empowering them to advance their educational goals swiftly," said Allegra Fowler, executive director of Purdue Global's Center for Prior Learning Recognition.

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