

TODAY'S VERSE

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



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What makes Dave Barker smile? "My family," said the 66-year-old Noblesville resident. He and his wife, Rhonda, have been married 40 years and have three sons, Daniel Barker and Victor Barker, and the late Jeremy Barker; and eight grandchildren, ages 5-19. He is a deacon at Clarksville Christian Church. Barker is semi-retired and working as a farmhand at Flanders Amazing Grain. He is a 24-year volunteer firefighter/EMT at White River Township Volunteer Fire Department and retired in January 2022. He is past president of Wayne-Fall Lions Club, which is having a Cod Fish Fry from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at the Club at 11940 E. 191st St., at DeShane Avenue and Victory Chapel Road in Noblesville. Menu features cod fish, fries, baked beans, cole slaw and drinks. Donations of \$15 for adults and \$8 for ages 12 and younger will go to Christmas for people who need assistance in our area. For those who don't want fish, hot dogs are available. Plus, there are desserts. The club is about three miles east of Indiana 37, across the street from Union United Methodist Church at 191st Street and Deshane Avenue. Read more things to do in the Betsy Reason column in today's edition of The Times.

And Another Thing...

1. CAMP BOW WOW® NOBLESVILLE CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

Camp Bow Wow®, the leading doggy day care and boarding franchise, will host a grand opening celebration in Noblesville on Saturday, Sept. 30, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 17661 Cumberland Road, Noblesville. The fun-filled event will feature dogs for adoption and a variety of on-site vendors and activities, including: Free treats from Three Dog Bakery for the first 50 attendees, Training demonstrations from Pawstive Progress Training, Food from Tijuana Flats Food Truck, \$10 microchipping and free DAPPV vaccinations from Homer's Helpers, Customizable license plates from Pet Friendly Plate, Free caricature drawings of pet parents and pups, Camp tours every half hour, Raffle prizes, including a prize basket and custom portrait of the winners' dog. Adoptable dogs from: Animal Protection League, Prison Greyhound's, Taffy's Touch Senior Dog Rescue, Furever We Love, Madison County Humane Society, Pet Friendly, Indiana Sheltie Rescue, Homer's Helpers

2. Volunteers Needed:

The Westfield-Washington Historical Society is in need of volunteers to host the opening of the Museum and Barker Cabin. The Museum and Barker Cabin are open Saturdays from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. For those who have not volunteered for one or the other, training will be provided. Please consider helping the Historical Society by volunteering to be a Museum or Barker Cabin host. We need two volunteers for Saturday 23rd immediately. Text Jeff Beals at 317-460-4844 or email jbeals@wwhs.us to be scheduled.

3. COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Come in costume and enjoy games, treats, hayrides and more at the annual Community Halloween Carnival on Tuesday, October 3, 2023. The Carnival will be held in the Exhibition Center at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Join us for this fun family activity offered at no charge. Youth ages 10 and under should be accompanied by an adult and are encouraged to come in costume to enjoy games, prizes, candy, refreshments, a haunted house and a hayride. Hayrides begin at 6:00 p.m. The evening is organized and sponsored by the Hamilton County 4-H Junior Leaders. For more information on the Halloween Carnival or about the 4-H Program in Hamilton County, contact the Purdue Extension Service at 317-776-0854 or visit our website at: www.extension.purdue.edu/county/hamilton

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From Readers To Leaders

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Youth at the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville (BGCN) have big dreams. Aspiring veterinarians, chefs, doctors, video game creators, police officers, teachers, entrepreneurs, and more flock to the Club each day to both have fun and prepare for their futures through programming focused on academic success, good character and citizenship, and active and healthy lifestyles. The American Business Women's Association (ABWA) Cardinal Crossroads Council and Ashlin Hadden Insurance invested in these future leaders by gifting hundreds of donated books from ABWA's Summer Sizzler event to the Club's youth. Club members were very excited to receive their very own books. Several kids even asked if they were allowed to keep their books "forever". BGCN is honored to have such supportive community partners as ABWA and Ashlin Hadden Insurance! Pictured L to R displaying a kid-made thank you poster is Becky Terry, BGCN Executive Director, Janet Greer, Ashlin Hadden Insurance Life Insurance Advisor and ABWA Summer Sizzler Chair, Cheryl Blair, ABWA National President, and Emily Crump, BGCN Donor Relations Associate.



Photo courtesy of White River Elementary

White River Elementary Is Going Places

In keeping with Noblesville Schools' theme of Going Places, White River Elementary is strengthening their school community by meeting their students and families where they are - even at the neighborhood playground!

On a recent eLearning day, when students completed schoolwork at home and teachers engaged in professional development, White River staff also visited students and families in their neighborhoods. The visits were designed to build relationships and make connections outside of school and are just one example of a larger Going Places

outreach campaign the school has championed.

On this sunny afternoon the playground at Roubush Farms was packed with White River students, staff and families getting to know one another, playing games, and enjoying snacks. The White River PTO was on hand to support the fun and a grant from the Noblesville Schools Education Foundation helped pay for supplies.

White River Elementary is definitely #goingplaces and has several other community outreach initiatives planned for their students and families throughout the school year.



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles car club invites car buffs to show off their vintage vehicles on the Courthouse Square during the weekly Saturday afternoon and evening Cruise-in. Lawn chairs and old-car conversations invited.

Dave Matthews Tribute Band, Earth Festival, Train Rides, Roy Reynolds Concert, More



BETSY REASON
From The Editor's Desk...

Hop aboard the Atlanta New Earth Festival Express and experience the 50th annual Atlanta New Earth Festival Saturday and Sunday in the Northern Hamilton County town of Atlanta, Ind. So read

all of the details for events in and around Noblesville with our Times list of 20 things to do this weekend and beyond:

1. Experience live theater during Main Street Productions' "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," a horror-musical directed by Noblesville's Andrea Odle, now on stage through Oct. 1 at Basile Westfield Playhouse. Visit westfieldplayhouse.org.

2. Have a good laugh during Hamilton County Theatre Guild's Belfry production of "How the Other Half Loves," directed by Noblesville's Nicole Amsler, opening tonight and continuing through Oct. 1 at Arts for Lawrence's Theater at the Fort. Visit www.thebelfry-theatre.com.

3. Travel to the countryside to hear live music with The 78's at 6:30 p.m. today, Anneliese & Ali at 1 p.m. Saturday, The Juan Douglas Trio at 1 p.m. Sunday, Kris Huntley at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 29 and a Country Music Festival 12:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sept. 30 at Spencer Farm Winery in Noblesville. Visit spencerfarmwinery.com.

4. Enjoy live music with Hill and Oaks at 7 p.m. today, Andy Schomburg on Saturday, monthly Main Street Mixers 5-9 p.m. Sept. 26, The Dead Squirrels on Sept. 29, Celtic Rain on Oct. 7 and Ghosts on Maple on Oct. 28

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 7:33 a.m.
SET: 7:46 p.m.



High/Low
Temperatures
High: 78 °F
Low: 50 °F

Today is...

- Hobbist Day
- Native American Day
- National Bakery Day

What Happened On This Day

• **1979** The American-run Vela satellite detects a series of bright flashes over the Indian Ocean. The flashes were thought to be associated with atmospheric nuclear explosions. Some experts theorized that they were caused by joint Israeli and South African nuclear exercises. The governments of both countries denied this and to date it hasn't been confirmed whether the flashes were indeed nuclear explosions, and who was responsible for them.

• **1975** Assassination attempt on US President Gerald Ford is foiled. FBI informant Sara Jane Moore's attempt to assassinate the president in San Francisco failed due to a faulty gun and the efforts of ex-FBI agent Oliver Sipple who tackled her.

• **1869** Richard Wagner's opera Das Rheingold or The Rhine Gold is heard for the first time. The first of 4 musical works of art that constitute Wagner's Der Ring des Nibelungen. Das Rheingold was played at the National Theatre in Munich. The other three music dramas are Die Walküre or The Valkyrie, Siegfried, and Götterdämmerung or Twilight of the Gods.

Births On This Day

- **1958** Andrea Bocelli Italian tenor, songwriter, producer
- **1791** Michael Faraday English scientist

Deaths On This Day

- **2015** Yogi Berra American baseball player, manager
- **1961** Marion Davies American actress

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HONEST HOOSIER

We've got a quarter moon tonight. Is that a big deal? Nope. Just thought I'd give the little events some notoriety since we always seem to be talking about full moon worm this and full moon blood that.



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you must have a trampoline, only ONE person at a time! Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7.com.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"Live your beliefs and you can turn the world around."
-Henry David Thoreau

TODAY'S JOKE

What do you do if attacked by a mob of circus performers? Go for the juggler.

OBITUARIES
None

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **TRACY and STEVEN LINE** for subscribing!



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➔ OBITUARIES

Gene Marinacci

April 10, 1935, Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Gene Marinacci, 88, of Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at Prairie Lakes Health Campus in Noblesville. He was born on April 10, 1935 to the late Joe and Betty (Carsillo) Marinacci in Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey.



Gene proudly served his country in the United States Army where he played baseball. He was a part of the Dodger Baseball organization for 10 years. Gene coached baseball at Noblesville Freshman High School. He worked as a builder and enjoyed woodworking and building bird houses.



Gene is survived by his wife, Brenda Marinacci; sons, Gene (Sue) Marinacci Jr. and Michael (Toni) Marinacci; son-in-law, Christopher Shumate; sister, Millie Harris; and 7 grandchildren.

No services are scheduled at this time. Gene's care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com

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Players Of 1920s, Big Ten Basketball And Something To Prove



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

The dedication game of Ross-Ade Stadium on Nov. 22, 1924 was like a national holiday for those living anywhere close to the Purdue University campus.

More than 125 businesses and services - from car dealerships to grocery stores, banks to department stores - were closed between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. according to the Journal and Courier, which must have made a small fortune from all the advertisers asking customers to visit before and after the football game against Indiana.

Purdue's 26-7 victory against Indiana was "a glorious success" according to the Journal and Courier. Caught up in the spirit of the occasion, sports editor T. A. Day declared "the Boilermakers could have trounced any Big Ten team on Saturday and that they could have given Knute K. Rockne's 'Four Horsemen' a great battle."

The team James Phelan fielded five years later would have lived up to that hyperbole.

There were three memorable games played at Ross-Ade Stadium in the 1920s: the dedication victory against Indiana and a pair of victories against Michigan and Iowa in 1929 that led to the only undisputed Big Ten Conference championship in Purdue football history.

Up until 1929, Purdue's other Big Ten title was a three-way share in 1918.

The Boilermakers left little doubt who was the Big Ten's king in 1929, giving up 16 points to conference rivals while going 5-0 in league play and 8-0 overall.

According to Tom Schott's "Purdue University Football Vault," the 1929 Boilermakers were led by three senior standouts - quarterback Glen Harmeson, tackle Elmer Sleight and halfback Ralph

"Pest" Welch. Talented sophomores Charles Miller at center and Alex Yunevich at fullback added to the expectations.

Michigan led 16-6 after three quarters on Oct. 12, but Yunevich ran for three touchdowns in the fourth quarter to lead a 30-16 comeback victory before 25,000 fans. Yunevich rushed for 127 yards on 21 carries in his first Big Ten game. Harmeson, forced to shift to halfback, picked up 126 on the ground.

Purdue was 6-0 when Iowa traveled to West Lafayette for Homecoming on Nov. 16. The Exponent student newspaper merely called it "the most crucial game ever played by a Boilermaker football team."

Harmeson's 17-yard touchdown pass to Bill Woerner was the game's only score before the largest crowd in Ross-Ade history, 26,000 fans. The 7-0 victory wrapped up the championship. The following week's 32-0 win at Indiana was anticlimactic.

"It's been a long, hard climb, but after more than thirty years of waiting, a Purdue football team is finally perched on the Big Ten gridiron throne, lording it over nine other inferior elevens who for weeks have been fighting to attain the same exalted position now held by Jimmy Phelan's courageous group of warriors," wrote Journal and Courier sports editor Gordon Graham.

Top players of 1920s Ross-Ade era

Sleight and Welch were selected the first All-Americans in school history. Miller would be selected an All-American in 1931 before blocking for Red Grange and Bronko Nagurski with the Chicago Bears.

"I don't think we should have ever lost a game the entire time I was in college," Miller told me in 2000, still quite sharp mentally at 90 years of age. "Red Sleight, Pest Welch, Glen Harmeson and Alex Yunevich were great players. Man for man we were as good as anybody in the

country." Miller's class led Purdue to a 23-3 record from 1929 to 1931. The three losses were by a total of nine points.

Yunevich was posthumously elected to the Purdue Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame earlier this year. Unfortunately for Yunevich, his path to All-Big Ten and All-America honors were blocked by Nagurski's feats at Minnesota.

Harmeson won nine letters at Purdue, adding a Big Ten title in basketball in 1930 alongside Naismith Hall of Famers John Wooden and Charles "Stretch" Murphy. Harmeson also lettered three times in baseball as a centerfielder.

"Glen was one of the most talented and graceful athletes I ever saw," Wooden said in 1983 shortly after Harmeson's death at age 75. "Glen was a big key in our success."

Harmeson's football coaching career included a stop at Wabash College from 1946 to 1951.

Big Ten basketball schedule released

Purdue and Indiana will headline Big Ten opening night games Dec. 1. The defending champion Boilermakers travel to Northwestern, while the Hoosiers host Maryland.

The other pre-Christmas league games will include Purdue hosting Iowa on Dec. 4 and Indiana traveling to Michigan on Dec. 5.

Similar to the 2022-23 season, Purdue will have the bulk of its home Big Ten games in February. The Boilermakers get just four home games in the first half of the 20-game league schedule.

Once again, Purdue will travel to Indiana (Jan. 16) before hosting the Hoosiers on Feb. 10.

Michigan State, mentioned along with Purdue as one of the Big Ten favorites, comes to Mackey Arena for its only matchup with the Boilermakers on March 2. Notably, Purdue will have six days to prepare for the Spartans

following a Feb. 25 trip to Michigan.

Purdue's Senior Day is March 10 against Wisconsin. Regrettably, the Big Ten Tournament will be held at the Target Center in Minneapolis from March 13 to 17.

Oddly enough, Michigan State also has to travel to Indiana for the lone game in the rivalry. Dramatically, perhaps, that matchup is set for March 10, the final day of the regular season.

Game times and TV will be announced at a later date.

Something to prove
CBS Sports recently asked a group of college basketball players, promising anonymity, whether Purdue star Zach Edey will repeat as national player of the year.

Since 1958, 12 men have repeated as national player of the year. Oscar Robertson, Jerry Lucas, Bill Bradley, Lew Alcindor, Pete Maravich, Bill Walton,

David Thompson, Mark Aguirre, Ralph Sampson, Michael Jordan, Jay Williams and Luke Garza.

Note that Williams and Garza are the only repeat winners in the 21st century. Chalk that up to the millions of dollars awaiting in the NBA in most cases. Kentucky center Oscar Tshiebwé, the 2022 winner, fell victim to the struggles the Wildcats endured last season.

Edey ended up with 63 percent of the vote in the CBS coaches survey, with Michigan transfer Hunter Dickenson of Kansas, Kyle Filipowki of Duke, Armando Bacot of North Carolina, Donovan Clingan of Connecticut and Ryan Kalkbrenner of Creighton receiving multiple votes.

Here's a sample from Edey supporters.

"Guy puts up video game numbers."

"Edey is the most dominant force in the college game and the college rules allow him to remain dominant as a true low-post center. There is not a player in America that impacts the college game like he

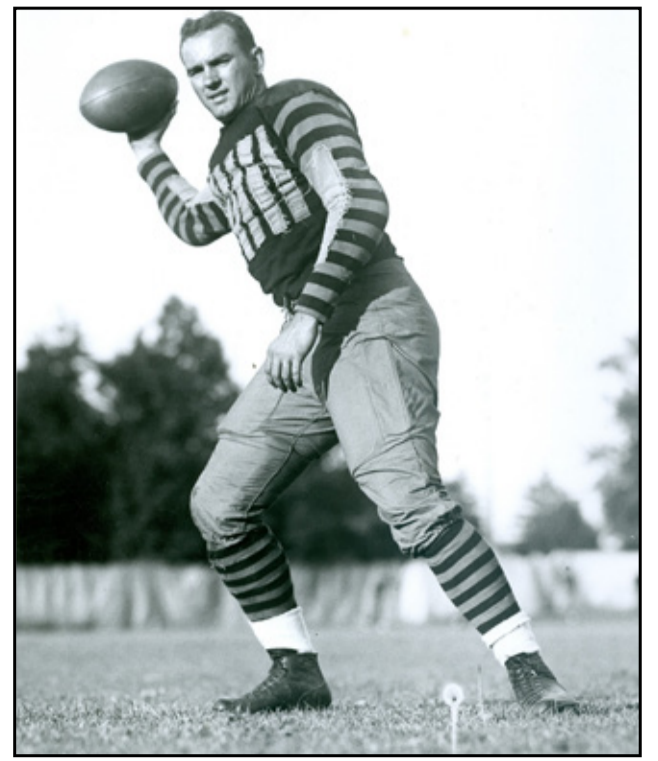


Photo courtesy of Purdue Athletics

Ralph "Pest" Welch

does night in and night out. He forces a double team on offense, is nearly impossible to block out and completely takes away the paint defensively."

"It's hard to think of someone else winning [player of the year] over Edey. He's the most dominant player in college basketball. Last year we played at Purdue, and everything they run goes through him. The underrated reason why I believe he has a chance to repeat is he is playing with great guards in Braden Smith and Fletcher Loyer. As freshmen they did a hell of a job playing with Edey. You'd have to imagine with another year of chemistry, Edey may be even more dominant, if that's possible."

Now some lazy reasons for choosing someone other than Edey:
"History tells us no, so I'll say no."
"Just like Edey last year, somebody not being discussed and off the radar will win it."

"No, only because it's very hard to win back-to-back. You have to be that much better than you were the year before."

CBS Sports' Matt Norlander casts his vote for Edey.

"The table is set for Edey

to repeat.

"The story of Purdue's push for March redemption will be one of the biggest in college hoops in '23-24. How Edey handles new defensive tactics tossed his way will be another. He could have gone to the NBA and, in my opinion, would have been drafted. It's better that he decided to return. In coming back, he's chasing college basketball immortality. I think he gets there."

"It's a wonderful thing for men's college basketball to have someone like Edey opt back in. For him, last season was special. This season could be legendary. "His potential makes him, and his team, arguably the biggest story heading into the season. And when we get to the end of it, even if Purdue doesn't win a national championship or get Matt Painter to his first Final Four, I believe Edey will again be holding up his hardware, adding to his crowded trophy case and solidifying his name amongst the all-time legends of the game."


- Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.



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Laments Of A Broken, But Not Beaten, Man



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

I am retired. So, I don't work. Neither did anything in our house on Thursday of last week.

The problem began about 2 am. One of the fire alarms started making a weird chirping sound. We assumed it was the batteries, but this is not an easy fix. It required one of us to get up on a high ladder and replace one of those nine-volt puppies. We needed a volunteer to take on this risky task, so I offered to hold Mary Ellen in case she fell. The next morning, the alarm was still chirping.

Our next-door neighbor is a former New York City fireman. I called him...

"Paul, it's Dick next door. Our fire alarms won't stop beeping."

"Well, Dick, it's one of two things. Either all the batteries need changing or..."

"Yes, yes, or what? Or your house is on fire."

Paul thought that was pretty funny. He came over and replaced all the batteries.

Later, Mary Ellen and I went for a walk and when we returned the garage door wouldn't open. Mary

Ellen asked me if I put in the right code.

"Yes," I said, "it's the date of our anniversary, isn't it?"

"Oh dear, I wish you had used a number you could remember."

Paul came over and taught us how to reset the code, but now to open the door we have to remember Paul and Karen's anniversary.

All this made me realize that I needed additional keys to the front door. At one mega-hardware store they have an automatic key machine. No humans required, not that you can find one in a place like that.

Later, I realized two things. First, that company now had in their computer both a copy of our front door key as well as a copy of my credit card. But it didn't matter. None of the three keys worked.

Paul later showed me his locksmith's key duplicator in his garage. Now I have all the keys I need.

That same afternoon, Mary Ellen wanted to edge the lawn. She hates mowing the grass, but she enjoys edging it. And then she wants me to come up from my basement office and tell her what a great job she's done. A woman shouldn't ask a married man to come up and see her edgings. But the weed whacker wasn't working. The string line

kept breaking. Paul came over and explained that the cord I was using was the wrong thickness. He had several types in his garage, where he has a complete workshop, so he made the necessary replacement. Someday, if you move, move next door to a retired New York City fireman.

Just after Mary Ellen finished manicuring our lawn, she informed me that the ice maker and the lights in the laundry room weren't working. I checked the circuit breakers and then made sure those little weird things in the garage and on the bathroom walls (whose name I don't know) hadn't popped out. Paul saw me in the garage and showed me I was not pushing down on the button long enough or hard enough. Suddenly the lights and the ice maker went to work. When the dryer finally started, I went out to buy Paul a case of beer.

Later, the cable went out and the water softener wasn't working. I knew both these things could be easily fixed, but this late at night, I didn't want to bother Paul.

- Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Hosts Third Annual Sniff And Rescue Seminar

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office hosts the third annual bloodhound seminar from September 24-28. With over 20 teams from across the United States attending, this training offers over 40 hours of fieldwork for these handler and K-9 duos.

"Hamilton County Sheriff's Office has this workshop to provide education and support to K-9 teams throughout the county and beyond. With

seven groups from the state, this week specifically increases training to teams in Central Indiana, so that our bloodhound handlers are equipped to handle any real-life scenario," said Deputy Neal Hoard, seminar host.

The training spans past just fieldwork, offering scenario-based workshops, and legal and medical roundtables to the attendees. Two instructors are designated to every five

handlers allowing for an individualized approach to teaching.

The seminar is held at the Indiana Diabetes Camp each year and the handlers train throughout Hamilton County. Registration for the seminar opened in late spring and closed beginning of August. If interested in attending the 2024 seminar, please reach out to Deputy Neal Hoard at kenneth.hoard@hamilton-county.in.gov.

Inclusive Leadership Summit

The first-of-its-kind event includes a dynamic combination of expert insight, group exercises, and powerful conversations designed to get to the heart of leaders' challenges today.

The event will take place September 27 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Connor Prairie.

In addition to presentations from Deloitte, the summit features experienced leaders from local employers, Mojo Up, Navient, Helmer Scientific, Penske Entertainment, and more...

Travis Brown, the

CEO of Indianapolis-based Mojo Up Marketing + Media, will get the day started with a keynote address before leading attendees through a full schedule of speakers and breakout sessions focused on the six traits of Deloitte's Inclusive Leadership Framework.

The Summit is built around Deloitte's research and experience around developing leaders. Andrea Mazzocco of Deloitte will share what her company has learned around these six traits.

A panel discussion over lunch will feature Jimmie

McMillian of Penske Entertainment, Angela Acrey of Helmer - Trane Technologies, and Judah Holland of Navient.

The Inclusive Leadership Summit will allow participants to better understand and respond to the challenges of operating in one of the nation's fastest growing counties. Leading effectively across differences helps organizations better reflect their diverse communities, attract and retain top talent, and stay competitive within an increasingly complex environment.

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at Primeval Brewing in downtown Noblesville.

5. Shop 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays at Noblesville Farmers Market at Federal Hill Commons in Noblesville. Fishers Farmers Market is open 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays through the summer at Nickel Plate District Amphitheater in Fishers.

6. Shop and eat at the 50th annual Atlanta New Earth Festival 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday in Atlanta, Ind. More than 600 vendors will offer handmade arts, crafts, antiques, collectibles, amusements and more, plus food and entertainment. Groove Smash cover band will have a special concert.

7. Hop aboard the Atlanta New Earth Festival Express for a 45-minute ride to Atlanta, Ind., for the Atlanta New Earth Festival on Saturday and Sunday. Each trip gives passengers two hours in Atlanta before returning. Also, board the Wizard Express Oct. 7-8, Northbrook Brewery Caboose Oct. 15 and 22, and Cicero Dinner Express Oct. 5 and 19. For tickets visit nickelplateexpress.com.

8. See live demos by local makers and limited edition custom goods during Maker Fest 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Mercantile 37 in Noblesville. All vendors will be actively making their products and explaining their creative processes. The event is free and open to the public. There will be kids activities, games. Food and drink available all day from Wheelers Cafe and Smokey Blue BBQ.

9. Explore nature and history in new ways in 1836 Prairietown as the outdoor areas are open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, during the 2023 season. The 40th annual Headless Horseman program tickets are also now on sale for Oct. 5-29. Conner Prairie Deaf Heritage Day is 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 28 with Luna Language Services' ASL interpreters placed throughout Conner Prairie.

10. Enjoy all-you-can-eat fish during Wayne-Fall Lions Club's Fish Fry from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at the clubhouse at 11940 East 191st. St., Noblesville. Lions will serve cod fish, fries, baked beans, cole slaw and drinks. Donations of \$15 for adults and \$8 for ages 12 and younger will go to Christmas for people who need assistance in our area. For those who don't want fish, hot dogs are available. Plus, there are desserts. The club is about three miles east of Indiana 37, across the street from Union United Methodist Church at 191st Street and Deshane Avenue.

11. Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles car club invites car buffs to show off their vintage vehicles on the Courthouse Square during the weekly Saturday afternoon and evening Cruise-in. Lawn chairs and old-car conversations invited.

12. Experience the Roy E. Reynolds Show 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Noblesville Jim Dandy.

The Noblesville singer is known for performing Elvis tributes and gospel music. Admission is free.

13. Enjoy live music featuring Jeff Brown on Saturday, Jason and Robin on Sept. 30, Craig Thurston on Oct. 5 and 19, Dead Squirrels on Oct. 7, Jason and Robin on Oct. 12, John Gilmore on Oct. 14, Jeff Brown on Oct. 21, and Disagreeable on Oct. 28 at Grindstone Public House in Noblesville.

14. Hamilton County Artists' Association Annual Exhibit Artist Reception featuring fine art, gifts, prints, refreshments and door prizes will be 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at Carmel Clay Public Library, with exhibit open today through Oct. 1. Exhibit hours are 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays and 2-4 p.m. Sundays.

15. Noblesville Cultural Arts Commission presents a Vintage Film Series in The Lacy Arts Building, featuring "Magnificent Ambersons," 8 p.m. Saturday; and "The Shock," Oct. 28. Complimentary popcorn and beverages are offered.

16. Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department's free Concerts at the Commons free tribute band series culminates with Trippin Billies (Dave Matthews Band tribute) 7-10 p.m. Saturday at the amphitheater at Federal Hill.

17. Hamilton County Parks & Recreation presents free Concerts in the Centerpiece 2023 with the final concert in the series to feature R&B/soul performer Dream Slice 5-7 p.m. Sunday at Coxhall Gardens in Carmel.

18. Noblesville Schools Education Foundation's Driven to Give fundraiser with Tom Roush Lincoln will invite the community to test drive new Lincoln cars for a \$30 donation for each five-minute drive with a goal of bringing 200 drivers starting at 4 p.m. Sept. 26 after school at Noblesville High School parking lot. Show up and participate. For more details, visit noblesvilleschools.org/foundation.

19. Come out and sit on the lawn for Noblesville Cultural Arts Commission's annual Noblesville Shakespeare in the Park featuring "As You Like It," directed by Noblesville's Jen Otterman, 8:30 p.m. Sept. 27-30 at Federal Hill Commons, with free admission.

20. Experience live theater at Hyperion Players' first show of the season, "Waiting for Godot," directed by Molly Bellner, Sept. 28-Oct. 1, at The Switch Theatre at Ji-Eun Lee Music Academy in Fishers. Visit www.hyperionplayers.com.

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Enjoy live music by Andy Schomburg (above) on Saturday at Primeval Brewing in downtown Noblesville.



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Lizzie Schultz of Noblesville, a 2023 Noblesville High School graduate, plays the role of Johanna Barker, who's raised in a chamber and whose only connection to the outside world is her window, and Bailey Hunt of Noblesville as The Beadle, in "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," a horror-musical on stage through Oct. 1 at Basile Westfield Playhouse.



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Susan Hill of Noblesville (as Fiona Foster) and Tim Long of Indianapolis (as Frank Foster) rehearse for Hamilton County Theatre Guild's The Belfry Theatre production of "How the Other Half Loves," on stage through Oct. 1 at Arts for Lawrence's Theater at the Fort.

Indiana Homeowner Assistance Fund To Close Application Portal In October

Mortgage assistance program has provided \$112 million to 9,100 Hoosier households to prevent foreclosure.

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCA) today announced the state's mortgage assistance program, the Indiana Homeowner Assistance Fund (IHAF) will close the application portal on Oct. 20, 2023.

IHAF was created with a grant from the American Rescue Plan under the direction of the US Department of the Treasury. The program began taking applications and distributing funds in February 2022. Since then, more than 9,100 Hoosier households have received an average of more than \$13,000 in assistance in the form of mortgage reinstatement, ongoing mortgage payments, and the payment of delinquent property taxes, homeowner's insurance, and homeowner association fees for the homeowner's primary residence only.

With the amount of assistance that has already been disbursed, the funds that are currently obligated for upcoming payments, and the number of applications that are being processed, the program is very near to distributing the total amount of funds available for homeowner assistance. On Oct. 20, 2023, IHAF will close the portal to active applications and begin maintaining a waiting list for those homeowners who would like to apply for new funds as they become available. All existing program eligibility requirements will remain in effect for future applicants and awards. The program is designed to assist Indiana homeowners with low to moderate incomes who have experienced a financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Awards are limited to one per household and are provided in the form of a 5-year forgivable, interest-free loan.

Visit haf.877gethope.org for eligibility information or to register for the opportunity to assist

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NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(a)(2)(D)(ii), the Hamilton County Airport Authority will meet in Executive Session at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, 2023, in Conference Room 1A of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN. The purpose of the meeting is discussion of negotiations with commercial prospects by the Hamilton County Airport Authority as the lessor of real property at the Indianapolis Executive Airport located at 11329 SR 32, Zionsville, IN 46077.

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Important Building Block To Brand Success Includes Workforce Buy-In

From Amazon and Band-Aid to Verizon and Ziploc, companies spend vast amounts of money, time and effort to promote their brands to customers. But how important is it for brand loyalty to carry over to the company's workforce, especially in the service delivery sectors? Ceridwyn King, who was named head of White Lodging-J.W. Marriott, Jr. School of Hospitality and Tourism Management at Purdue University in July 2022, says getting internal stakeholders — employees — to champion the brand is key.

"Significant investment in your brand may be futile if consideration is not given to the thoughts and actions of the individuals responsible for bringing the brand to life," said King, whose research focuses on brand management. "If your own workforce doesn't understand or buy in to the company brand, why would the customers?"

"Our industry is very labor-intensive," she said. "How can we provide these exceptional experiences which require the human element and creativity?"

The answer, she said, is embracing the use of innovative technologies at hotels, restaurants and other entertainment

venues. King said that's an important lesson for hospitality and tourism management (HTM) classrooms.

"Part of our vision is to provide our students with all of the tools that help them be 'experience engineers,' that help them to amplify that human element and rid themselves of things that automation or technology can help them do," King said.

King brings decades of industry expertise to Marriott Hall. The Australian native grew up along the country's Gold Coast, a major tourist destination known for sand, sun and surf. She served as head of marketing for Conrad Jupiters Hotel and Casino, a 609-room entertainment venue in Australia that boasted 2,500 employees. King also founded her own marketing company.

After spending the early part of her career in industry, King then moved into academia.

In 2011, she joined Temple University in Philadelphia, where she served as a professor in the School of Sport, Tourism and Hospitality Management and as director of strategic industry engagement for the Fox School of Business Translational Research Center.



Photo courtesy of Purdue University

Ceridwyn King was named head of the White Lodging-J.W. Marriott, Jr. School of Hospitality and Tourism Management in July 2022.

"I've been so fortunate to both work in industry and also have an opportunity to make a difference in students' lives by helping them discover a passion for the business," she said.

King was first attracted to Purdue by its highly vaunted and nationally ranked hospitality and tourism management program. But she saw something else during the interview process.

"It was the consistency in both the acknowledgment of needing to evolve and a willingness to evolve the program. I felt it along every step of the way of my interview process," King said. "I

really felt that played to my strengths."

That evolution, said King, will rely on the adoption of innovation and cutting-edge technologies to improve the student experience and postgraduation career preparation.

Marion Underwood, dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences, describes King as a strategic, forward-thinking leader poised to drive transformative change in HTM.

"She possesses a global understanding of higher education, extensive knowledge of the hospitality industry, and high-level awareness

of marketing and communication strategies. Harnessing the synergies of HTM and its Division of Consumer Science and building partnerships throughout the university, Dr. King is an exemplary driver of innovation and continues to strengthen HTM's global reputation," Underwood said.

King said when she meets new Purdue colleagues from other disciplines, she discovers others who see the potential for crossover collaboration. As Purdue competes against other national programs in attracting the best HTM students, she said integration of innovative curriculum will help set Purdue apart.

"Purdue has such a wonderful reputation in things like industrial engineering, AI, data analytics, food science and nutrition, but no HTM programs are integrating them in an educational experience. Yet this is exactly how the industry is operating," King said. "If anyone is going to own the word 'innovation' in a hospitality and tourism context, who else but Purdue?"

King joined Purdue as the HTM industry was still recovering from the global pandemic. She said the impact of COVID-19 amplified the

need for change in the hospitality industry, forcing it to adapt and evolve. Likewise, King says, academia needs to constantly reengineer itself.

King said Purdue HTM is known for training its students for operational excellence, but "what operational excellence is today is very different from what it was 20 years ago," she added.

In August 2020, Purdue ushered in a new era in hospitality at Purdue with the reopening of the historic Union Club Hotel, following completion of a \$35 million renovation. HTM students can earn practical experience at the on-campus venue. Likewise, King says she is constantly evaluating the HTM space at Marriott Hall, looking for opportunities for improvement and growth for students.

"If the industry wants exceptional talent, then there needs to be that investment. We want to elevate and inspire the future generation and provide them an environment that inspires creativity and innovation," King said. "As we move forward, I'm looking to try and create more of this interdisciplinary experience. That really means that our students are at the forefront of being industry change-makers."

Purdue Panels To Address US Semiconductor Needs, 'Next Big Things In Tech' At Fast Company Innovation Festival

Featured alongside Hilton, AT&T, Patagonia and Moderna, Purdue University will share its innovative solutions to some of the world's toughest challenges as part of the ninth annual Fast Company Innovation Festival taking place Sept. 18-21 in New York City.

The four-day festival, attended by thousands of the world's most inventive thinkers, up-and-coming entrepreneurs and visionaries, showcases "creativity and groundbreaking ideas that are transforming industries." Purdue will take part in two panel discussions sharing excellence at scale in semiconductor workforce development and innovative "smart concrete" technology.

The Sept. 20 panel "Securing the Future: Driving Innovation Through the Semiconductor Workforce" will bring together government, academia and industry as Purdue President Mung Chiang and Adrienne Elrod, director of external and government affairs in the CHIPS Program Office, take the stage to share how collaboration is elevating the semicon-

ductor ecosystem.

"Our nation has a serious challenge ahead: a need for 50,000 trained semiconductor engineers by 2027 to help power our phones, cars and everyday devices, and our nation's military and defense technologies," Chiang said. "Through the Semiconductor Degrees Program and the Purdue Computes initiative, and more than \$100 million to improve our semiconductor research and learning facilities, Purdue is answering the call with unparalleled excellence at scale."

To educate the workforce needed to produce the most sophisticated technology humans create, Purdue launched its Semiconductor Degrees Program, a suite of degrees and credentials to enable a quick ramp-up of in-demand skilled talent to reassert American preeminence in this critical industry. In April, Purdue's Board of Trustees approved Phase 1 of a \$100 million plan to upgrade semiconductor research and learning facilities and hire 50 faculty members as part of the three-pronged Purdue

Computes initiative.

SkyWater plans to open a \$1.8 billion state-of-the-art semiconductor manufacturing facility in Discovery Park District at Purdue, the bookend forming America's Hard Tech Corridor. Recently called "Indiana's chip-making metamorphosis" by The New York Times, the 65-mile corridor between Purdue's flagship West Lafayette campus and Purdue University in Indianapolis, Purdue's new urban campus, will become the most consequential engine of economic growth and brain gain in the Midwest as it continues to generate workforce, jobs and innovation.

During another panel on Sept. 21, Luna Lu, associate dean and the Reilly Professor in the Lyles School of Civil Engineering, will share how her "smart concrete," named a Fast Company Next Big Things in Tech, is cutting down construction time and saving taxpayers millions of dollars. Lu's innovative sensors, which allow concrete to "communicate" with engineers about its strength, have already been embedded

in highways in at least eight states, including at the future I-465 interchange to I-69 south on Indianapolis' south side.

"Traffic jams caused by infrastructure repairs have wasted 4 billion hours and 3 billion gallons of gas on a yearly basis," Lu said. "This technology cuts down on construction, is better for the environment and is able to adapt to future needs as vehicles continue to evolve."

Earlier this year, Fast Company editors ranked Purdue No. 16 among the World's Most Innovative Companies and No. 1 in education, citing the university's mission to solve the nationwide shortage of semiconductor engineers. Purdue follows OpenAI (at No. 1) and leads NASA (No. 17) and The Walt Disney Co. (No. 25) as organizations "paving the way for the innovations of tomorrow" and "setting the standard with some of the greatest accomplishments of the modern world." Purdue has also been recognized by Fast Company among its Brands That Matter for two years in a row — the only university on the list

both years.

"We can't think of a better place to showcase Purdue's consistent instigation of progress than the Fast Company Innovation Festival," said R. Ethan Braden, executive vice president and chief marketing and communications officer at Purdue University and Purdue University Global. "Whether addressing the nation's semiconductor shortage, aiding brain drain with our new urban campus in Indianapolis, reimagining the business school of the future, or helping working adults complete a degree they can be proud of with Purdue Global, persistent small steps at Purdue are turning into giant innovative leaps each day, and we are ever grateful for Fast Company's continued recognition and partnership."

In addition to Purdue's now-iconic tuition freeze, which has saved Purdue families more than \$1 billion since the 2012-13 academic year, Purdue also was named the country's No. 4 most trusted public university by Morning Consult. It was also rec-

ognized as a top 10 public university in 2022 by The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education and a top 10 Most Innovative University for five years straight by U.S. News & World Report.

As well as Chiang and Lu, Fast Company's Innovation Festival includes a variety of speakers such as actor, producer, director and chief communications officer of Pendulum Therapeutics Halle Berry; Proudly co-founders Dwyane Wade and Gabrielle Union; and Slack CEO Lidiane Jones

"Purdue University is an exemplary Fast Company partner — recognized repeatedly by our editors for its achievements in innovation and in its purpose-driven mission and practices," said Melissa Rocco, senior vice president of sales for Fast Company. "Having the university's thought-leadership on stage at this year's Festival will shine a bright light on Purdue's excellence for our thousands of attendees in New York City, as well as for our worldwide audience online," added Rocco.

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Mitch McConnell - Does He Really Feel Like Working?



GLENN MOLLETTE
Guest Columnist

Is Senator Mitch McConnell too old to serve in the United States Senate? The same question is being asked of California U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein, President Joe Biden, and even former President Donald Trump. How old is too old?

Some people are old and sickly by the time they are fifty or even younger. Some people are robust and very active at age 80. McConnell is 81, Feinstein is 90, President Biden is 80 and Trump is 77.

My grandfather Hinkle ran a country grocery store until two weeks before he died at age 83. My grandmother was almost 80 before she finally closed the doors to the store. They were still working but in their last couple of years they seemed to be just holding on. My dad was enjoying fishing and hunting and his mind was clear up until his death at 85. However at age 55 he knew it was time to retire from his 37 years of underground

coal mining. There is wisdom in knowing when to make life transitions.

We all know there comes a time to retire. None of us want anyone else forcing that on us but commonsense is imperative. A person is not allowed to serve as President of the United States until they are 35 years old. We need to have a number on the other end as well — perhaps 80 or 82. If someone is elected at 81 they still have four years putting them at 85 when they have to step aside.

I've worked with a number of 75 to 85 year old people. They are over-all good workers, dependable and mean well but the aging process overcomes us all eventually.

It's about over for McConnell. He needs to finish his term and retire gracefully. This means he has two more years on his current term. Reelection for him is not until 2026. He can accomplish a lot even yet if his health holds up. President Biden should try to get through this term and retire. Rehoboth Beach is calling him and he needs to enjoy his remaining years in Delaware. If Trump were to be elected then he definitely needs to retire at the end of his four years.

Most Americans formulate their opinion about this based on their party affiliation. Democrats and Republicans want to stand by their

man or woman. We can hardly blame McConnell for wanting to stay on. He could be once again the majority leader in the Senate. That's a hard position to pass over for a rocking chair in Louisville.

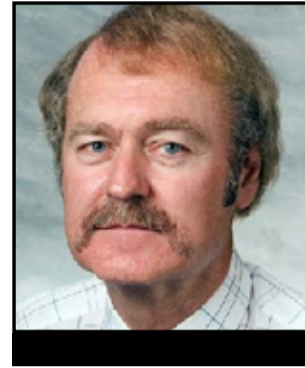
Feinstein should have quit several years ago. She definitely shows all the signs of not being well enough to do her job.

The problem is we let these people serve too many years in office. A U.S. Congressman or woman should be limited to 12 years as should a U.S. Senator. We limit the President to eight why should these other politicians camp out forever in the Capitol? They have made it America's premier nursing home facility.

This is not to say that we can't all be useful when we hit our eighties. There are certainly millions of Americans still trying to work jobs in their golden years. Sadly, I don't believe many of them really feel like it or are able to be working at such a late stage of life.

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January 6 And The Big Gaslight



JOHN GASKI
Guest Columnist

Did you notice that the term "gaslighting" was just selected word of the year because of its over-use? But why would that usage increase have happened? Maybe because the practice itself has become more common as a political weapon.

In practical parlance, "gaslighting" means trying to persuade others not to believe their "lying eyes," or not to believe what they already had known as established fact. Recent examples of such disinformation themes include:

The summer 2020 riots were not really riots but "mostly peaceful" demonstrations.

The Hunter Biden laptop emails are not real but instead a Russian disinformation tactic.

The U.S. southern border is closed.

It was Republicans, not Democrats, who favored defunding the police.

Voter ID requirements are actually voter suppression.

Critical race theory is not really racist — and is not being taught in schools anyway.

The Afghanistan surrender/retreat was really a great achievement and success.

Curiously, all these familiar ploys are authored by the same political camp. I wish I could balance with Republican cases, but sometimes reality is unbalanced. (The "stolen" 2020 election? No, most Repubs have not signed on to Donald Trump's claim.)

One gaslight theme has become so prevalent — without adequate response — that its contribution to rhetorical disequilibrium needs to be addressed before it does any more damage to the national cognition. You have seen and heard much about the U.S. Capitol "insurrection" of Jan. 6, 2021, especially on the two-year anniversary occasion. Trouble is, that event was not an insurrection. Look up the definition of insurrection. Or, I'll do it for you:

An insurrection is organized and armed uprising against authority or operations of government; the crime of inciting or engaging in such revolt. It is violent action taken by a large group of people against the rulers of their country (Collins English Dictionary, among others).

The Jan. 6 Capitol near-riot — which is a fair descriptor — did not involve organization or arms, and was hardly a "large" group relative to the scale of its opposition or historical comparison with real insurrections. (Even the hostile and politically weaponized FBI has admitted the absence of prior coordination.) This was one "mostly peaceful" protest that really was.

So, what else was the Jan. 6 event? It was trespassing. It involved some vandalism. It was an invasion of the U.S.

Capitol that turned ugly. It resembled radical leftist "occupation" of government or university buildings in past decades. But Jan. 6 was not a literal riot. Unlike the Democrats' 536 genuine riots in 2020 which yielded at least 25 fatalities and an attack on the White House, there was no arson, mass looting, or bombing perpetrated by the demonstrators, contrary to the false image cultivated by the liberal media. Violence? Yes, some, but compared to an average weekend night in the Democrat sections of Chicago, negligible. The claim that one policeman was beaten with a fire extinguisher turned out to be a lie, and the only mortal violence was the homicide committed by a Capital cop against a female demonstrator.

Objectively, therefore, violence against the protesters transcended any violence attributable to that group. (Can we agree that rioting by Republicans would be a man-bites-dog phenomenon? Rioting is what Democrats do.) Jan. 6 was largely, although not entirely, a group of people walking around the Capitol building like tourists — because they were invited in. Just look at the videos that finally are available. (But who invited them?)

Otherwise, some of the usual suspects in media and politics have accused the Jan. 6 demonstrators of racism — as they always so accuse everyone they oppose. Surely the national audience can see through that tiresome gambit by now. Even if every one of the few racist signs or shouts documented at the Jan. 6 event were produced by a right-wing Republican instead of a Democrat plant, the demonstration still qualified as "overwhelmingly non-racist," to paraphrase Michelle Obama. But practically every Republican/conservative public event you have heard of in the past few years has been infiltrated by Dem plants to contrive a "false-flag" smear of the rightful participants, i.e., to commit overt offenses such as racist signage they hope will be blamed on Repubs.

Might that also have been done in this case? If not, it would be a rare exception. We already know that the Jan. 6 melee was indeed infiltrated by deep state operatives from the FBI. Speaking of false flag, one FBI plant, we also know from video, was carrying a Confederate flag. Only one agent provocateur? This more insidious aspect of the Jan. 6 occurrence must be noted and emphasized: It has been reported in official documents that federal agents, the so-called "unindicted co-conspirators," penetrated and also led the protesters who entered the Capitol. (This conduct does meet the legal definition of entrapment.)

We have seen video of Capitol Police welcoming protesters into the building on Jan. 6. We know that the congressional leaders who supervise the Capitol Police ordered them to stand down during the event, after leaving them unprepared and under-equipped beforehand. All this while President Trump was offering National Guard support — also rejected by Democrat leadership.

Why were government plants inciting the crowd

into the Capitol? Why did Capitol Police invite protesters inside? Who ordered this? Those police did report to Nancy Pelosi. Empty-suit Christopher Wray still runs the FBI. How did he keep his job after the transition?

Is the big picture coming into focus? It is time to speak the unspeakable: The Dems wanted chaos and facilitated it. Democrat operatives incited and manipulated some Jan. 6 protesters into the Capitol building so the action could be publicly construed as a partisan riot, invasion, or insurrection. The whole thing was ginned up by the Dems as a political stunt, a dirty trick for the ages, as soon as they knew a Republican crowd would be nearby and likely marching on the Capitol. Far-fetched? No. We have seen the same playbook applied elsewhere with the Michigan governor kidnapping set-up, which was led by undercover FBI agents. These are also the people who gave us the Trump-Russia hoax, so they have no limit.

Proof? Perhaps the best circumstantial evidence of all: Thousands of hours of video footage of the Capitol breach exist but most of it was not made available by the Justice Department or Congress until Speaker McCarthy's recent release. If the withheld video showed anything consistent with the Democrat narrative and contrary to what is outlined here, the government would have eagerly and promptly released it. (Now the Dems demand that the American people not be allowed to see the full video record. Of course.) This heretical argument is bolstered by how the Dems prevented Republican appointments to their Kangaroo Court congressional inquiry. Any doubt about how politicized Jan. 6 has become is dispelled by the amount of investigation and media coverage it is receiving compared to the absence of public attention given the 2020 Democrat "Summer of Riots."

Conspiracy theory? No, call it an analytically grounded hypothesis.

Many times, America has known the truth about a public scandal far in advance of the ultimate hard evidence surfacing. We knew the truth of Hillary Clinton's countless email felonies, Obama's spying on Trump, the dishonesty of the Russian "dossier," the sedition of the Deep State, and the Biden family's international influence peddling racket well before fully vetted tangible evidence was in hand. Similarly, we knew Bill Clinton was guilty as sin long before the stained blue dress made its appearance. We knew the truth in these cases early on because logic and common sense had pieced together the big picture. Likewise now. Anyone want to bet against the Jan. 6 Capitol incursion turning out to be another case of the same, but with a heavy dose, this time, of false-flag deception and shameless gaslighting? I'll take that bet.

John Gaski, Ph.D., an adjunct scholar of the Indiana Policy Review Foundation, is a long-time registered Democrat and long-time registered Republican — sequentially and intermittently, not simultaneously — which should dispatch any suspicion of partisanship.

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