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TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Hamilton Happenings

Parlor Doughnuts is opening its ninth location in Indiana, and this one is coming in early February on Bent Grass Lane in Fishers. Parlor is a popular doughnut and coffee shop founded in Evansville. Parlor serves customers across the country at 35 shops in 12 states. The new Fishers location is veteran-owned and operated by Marissa and Wesley Barnes, a husband-and-wife duo who own two additional locations in Indiana. Beginning Feb. 9, Parlor Doughnuts Fishers will be open Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Three Things You Should Know

1 The Westfield Lantern Awards is a time-honored tradition of the Westfield Chamber of Commerce. The signature community recognition event began in 1982. The event celebrates the community of Westfield and is a semi-formal cocktail reception designed to bring the community together for an evening of fellowship while recognizing and honoring outstanding residents and businesses. This year's Awards Ceremony will take place on Thursday, Jan. 25 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Prairie Waters Event Center in Westfield. Tickets are going fast! Get yours today!

2 A former WFYI employee was recently sentenced after pleading guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud. Alicia Wilson, 37, of Indianapolis, has been sentenced to three years' probation, with the first 15 months on home detention, and ordered to pay \$270,876 in restitution. In April of 2023, Mindi B. Madison, 53, of Indianapolis plead guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and was sentenced to three years' probation and also ordered to pay \$270,876 in restitution. According to court documents, Wilson and Madison conspired together to embezzle funds from WFYI Public Media into their personal checking accounts.

3 Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita filed a campaign finance report with the Indiana Secretary of State's office indicating his re-election campaign has nearly \$1.1 Million cash-on-hand. Rokita's tally is a record-setting amount with the previous incumbent A.G. having held less than \$200,000 in his account going into his re-election year and former Attorney General Zoeller having carried less than \$400,000 going into his re-election year. Rokita's campaign committee has raised \$1.7 million in total for the election cycle. The committee has no debts.

Heirbrandt Elected President

Heirbrandt has been elected president of the Hamilton County Commissioners. He replaces Christine Altman in the role. Steve Dillinger will serve as Vice President. Election of officers is an annual practice at the first meeting of each year. Since taking office in 2013, Heirbrandt has helped orchestrate a number of transformative projects including improvements along State Road 37, Lowe's Way, and Bakers Corner. He was also instrumental in bringing the historic Bell Ford Covered Bridge to Hamilton County, the only post-truss constructed covered bridge in the world.

With 25 years of experience in the water and energy-efficiency sector, Heirbrandt has spearheaded a number of energy-saving initiatives like the solar project for the Hamilton County Jail Complex. The award-winning project is expected to generate an estimated \$12.5 million in energy savings over the next 25 years. Other green initiatives include implementation of LED lighting, building automation controls, and HVAC improvements to all county buildings as well as a natural gas purchase plan and the adoption of compressed natural gas vehicles. Heirbrandt has been named



Mark Heirbrandt

"County Commissioner of the Year" by both the Indiana County Commissioners (ICC)

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County Council Makes Historic Choices for Leadership



President Amy Massillamany



Vice President Sue Maki

Amy Massillamany has been elected president of the Hamilton County Council. Sue Maki will serve as Vice President. This is the first time in the history of the Hamilton County Council that two

women have held both leadership positions. "It's an honor to serve alongside Sue, making history for our council," Massillamany says. "Thank you to the

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Boomer Bits

Ask Rusty – How Can I Get Details about My Social Security Payment?



ASK Rusty
Social Security Advisor

Social Security Matters

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Dear Rusty: How do I find the actual breakdown of the Medicare insurance that I have auto deducted and my actual Social Security payment? I was just looking at a video which explained the 3% Cost of Living Adjustment we will be receiving this year, and it compared the current payout to the new payout. There seems to be a big difference in what I am getting and what they said in the video. Currently my Social Security payments are \$1,431. My Medicare insurance is supposed to be \$165, which means my total Social Security is about \$1,596. On the video it said all retired workers are

getting \$1,848 with the new increase to take it to \$1,938.00. There are a couple hundred dollars there that I seem to be missing out on. Can you help me understand that difference? Signed: Confused Senior

Dear Confused Senior: What you're asking for is an itemized breakout of your gross Social Security benefit, any deductions being taken therefrom (e.g., your Medicare Part B premium), the amount of your COLA increase, and your net Social Security

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Romance Scams on Rise; Elderly Particularly Vulnerable

StatePoint

They say, "you can't buy love," but scammers have figured out a way to exploit it for profit. Romance scams are at an all-time high and, while victims cross all demographics, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) reports that elders are increasingly targeted. Why? Because they often have retirement savings at their disposal and may be more isolated and less tech savvy.

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Prioritize Mental Health in 2024 With 9 Tips

StatePoint

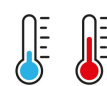
As the new year begins, many people make resolutions regarding their physical health, but it's just as important to focus on mental health in the year ahead, especially for older adults, according to experts.

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The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset

RISE: 8:06 am
SET: 5:51 pm



High/Low Temperatures

HIGH: 14°F
LOW: 2°F



Today is...

- National Popcorn Day
- Tin Can Day
- New Friends Day



What Happened On This Day

- **1983** Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie is arrested in Bolivia. Barbie was known as the "Butcher of Lyon".
- **1915** Georges Claude patents his neon discharge tube. Neon lighting soon became popular for outdoor advertising.



Births On This Day

- **1946** Dolly Parton - American singer-songwriter, actress
- **1943** Janis Joplin - American singer-songwriter

Deaths On This Day

- **1990** Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh - Indian mystic, guru, educator
- **1865** Pierre-Joseph Proudhon - French politician, philosopher, economist

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Twenty percent of kids between the ages of two and five are overweight - get them out of the strollers and turn off the TV!

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



BETSY REASON is on vacation. Her column will resume when she returns.



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



TODAY'S QUOTE

"When Americans lend a hand to one another, nothing is impossible. We're not about what happened on 9-11. We're about what happened on 9-12." Jeff Parness

TODAY'S JOKE

What did 50 Cent do when he was hungry?
58.

OBITUARIES

NONE



January School Board Recognition Month



DR. ARROWOOD
 Guest Columnist

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you had a great break. We are happy to see our students and staff back on campus and look forward to supporting their success for the remainder of the year. January is School Board Recognition Month. I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to our Board of Trustees for their service, dedication, and deep investment in our district's children. These individuals are invaluable assets to our school district bringing with them a diverse blend of knowledge, expertise, and unwavering commitment to their role. They provide a local voice for our community's education decisions. They are tasked with setting the vision and goals for the district and adopting policies that give the district direction to achieve its goals. Throughout the month we will be sharing individual board spotlights on each of these five everyday citizens doing extraordinary work in one of the toughest volunteer roles in any school district. Thank you, Dr. Kevin Cavanaugh, Arnie Cooper, Julie Davis, Ben Lehman, and Gretchen Pennington, for your advocacy, vision, and voice in helping to shape a better tomorrow at Hamilton Heights every single day!

Senior Tquan Spencer has been named a 2024 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar. He is one of only five students representing Hamilton County schools to earn this award which provides a full ride scholarship to continue his education at the collegiate level at any public or private school in Indiana! Lilly Endowment Community Scholars are known for their community involvement, academic achievement, character, and leadership. Congratulations!

I want to give a shout out to Chad Ballenger, Hamilton Heights Boys Basketball Head Coach, who reached his 300th career win last month! Congratulations!

Ten Hamilton Heights High School freshmen were among the 30 graduates of the Hamilton County A Chance to Serve (ACTS) Class of 2023. This leadership program, created and sponsored by the Purdue Extension/Hamilton County, offers freshman the opportunity to participate in five, day-long training sessions their first semester of high school. Graduates then get to apply those skills coupled with real-time learning experiences by serving as a member of a local board for one year. Lori Watson, our freshman guidance counselor, serves as the School Coordinator for the program. This month

Corbin Carlson, Jolie Garcia, Hattison Graham, Ayla Madara, Taylor Morrison, Lily Schuler, Mallory Williams, Aiden Serna, Harley Stetnish, and Caleb Sullivan begin their year of board service for the following organizations: Family Youth Alliance, Hamilton Heights Educational Foundation, Our Town Cicero, and Relay for Life. A win-win for our community! Congratulations to these aspiring leaders of tomorrow who are getting a jump start today.

The 5th annual Hickory Classic is set for January 24 at the Hoosier Gym in Knightstown. Our 8th grade boys and girls will bring their best game against the Tipton Blue Devils for a fun evening of Hoosier Hysteria. Tickets are available online only [here](#).

As a reminder Monday, January 15 is a Flex Day and school will not be in session unless there is a weather event that causes a school cancellation before then. I look forward to all the new semester holds for our school community. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in making Hamilton Heights a great place to learn, teach, and grow! #WeAreHuskies

Dr. Derek Arrowood is the Superintendent of the Hamilton Heights School Corporation. His columns appear periodically in The Times.

HHSC School Board of Trustees Spotlight: Arnett Cooper



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January is School Board Appreciation Month. Hamilton Heights School Corporation is honored to celebrate and recognize members of its School Board of Trustees for their dedication and commitment to the district and its students. HHSC has five extraordinary individuals who are tasked with the enormous job of governing our school district. Together they work to safeguard two of our community's most precious resources – our children and tax dollars – while striving to create the best educational environment possible with the resources available.

We are taking this opportunity to share an up-close look at each of the extraordinary individuals who comprise the Hamilton Heights School Board. Thank you Arnett (Arnie) Cooper for being a front-line advocate providing a local voice for the community, a vision for the district, and a pathway to success for our students.

Cooper has served as a Hamilton Heights School Board member representing White River and Jackson Townships since July 2010. He is the longest-serving member of the current Board. He is a 1963 graduate of Jackson Central High School, a lifelong resident of the Hamilton Heights district, a United States Air Force veteran and retired toolmaker at Chrysler Corporation in Kokomo. Cooper, who has served in a number of leadership roles during his

tenure, is currently the School Board President. He is an ardent supporter of Heights and his passion for public education is seen in his service and decisions. His children are graduates of Hamilton Heights.

Q: What motivates you to serve on the school board?

A: I have enjoyed seeing how our facilities change, for the better, and enjoy seeing how the students and staff have reacted to these changes. Also, how these changes have helped in the education of the students of Hamilton Heights.

Q: What is one specific strength you bring to the board table?

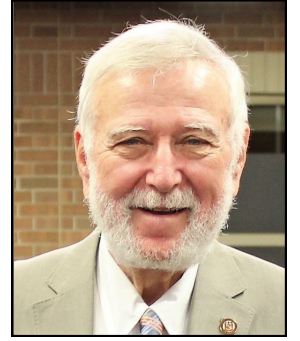
A: Living in this community my whole life, except when I was in the Air Force, and helping our students to have a better education.

Q: What do you like best about being a member of the school board?

A: Talking to people in the community and getting their input as to what will make this the best school for our students.

Q: What is an accomplishment during your tenure of which you are most proud?

A: The learning environment which has been created for our students and providing our teachers and staff a better work



Courtesy photo

Arnett (Arnie) Cooper, Jackson Township/White River Township seat, Hamilton Heights School Corporation.

environment. I especially like the West side of the high school where students are prepared to enter the workforce after graduation and immediately make a good living doing something they enjoy.

Q: What makes this board effective?

A: We are not afraid to voice our opinions and air our differences and still be able to work together for the betterment of HHSC.

Q: What is one thing you feel the district is doing well to prepare students for success in school and life?

A: Giving them a sound education which they can use in whatever way they wish.

Q: What is one thing about being a member of the school board that you think the community should know but probably doesn't.

A: I think that I have lived in this community so long that there isn't much people don't know about me if they know me at all. I graduated from Jackson Central High School a couple of years before Hamilton Heights was formed.

Conservative Max Engling Files for Congress

Conservative Max Engling officially filed paperwork with the Indiana Secretary of State to appear on the May 7th ballot for Congress in the 5th District Republican primary.

"I am excited to file with the State of Indiana for the 5th District Republican Primary," Engling said. "Washington, DC is broken and clearly needs to be turned in a new direction. Hoosiers need someone who can be effective in Congress immediately and I am dedicated to fighting for our shared conservative values on Day One."

Engling grew up in a supportive family as the second oldest of eight children, learning early what it meant to work hard.

He baled hay, detasseled corn, maintained a campground, and ran the quality control lab as the youngest hire at an industry leading fabrication business. He earned a bachelor's degree at IUPUI while working full-time in construction and waiting tables. After graduating, he worked for a local HVAC business, but was soon drawn to public service. He was a volunteer with the Republican Party and on campaigns in Indiana, making the case for limited government and fiscal responsibility. He was an intern on Capitol Hill, eventually rising through the ranks to become the Director of Member Services for the Speaker of the

House. In that role, he was the Speaker's delegate with the entire Republican Conference and worked directly with every Republican Representative to guide them and their staff on how to best listen, communicate, and work effectively for their constituents. He and his wife met in Muncie and were married in Cicero – together they have four beautiful children. He earned his master's degree in defense and strategic studies from the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island.



J.D. Restaurants Inc., a beacon of culinary excellence in Indiana, is thrilled to announce that Natasha Niccum, Jennfier Williams, Terri McGrath, Cathy Zeller, Amy Jacobs, and Crystal Luster, the esteemed Restaurant Managers, have been honored with a prestigious award recognizing their outstanding contributions to labor and food cost management.

The award bestowed by J.D. Restaurants Inc., is a testament these Manager's dedication, strategic vision, and unwavering commitment to maintaining the highest standards of efficiency and excellence in restaurant operations.

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NFD Responds to Residence Fire

A residence on 146th sustained some smoke and structure damage earlier this week. Shortly after noon on Monday, a resident at 8100 E 146th St. noticed smoke coming from the garage. The residents were able to exit the house and call 911 safely.

home and got the fire under control a short time later.

There were no injuries to civilians or firefighters. The Carmel Fire Department and Hamilton County Sheriff's Office assisted NFD. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

When the Noblesville Fire Department got there shortly thereafter, crews could see large amounts of smoke and fire coming from the home's garage. They were able to quickly enter the

NFD reminds residents to sleep with their bedroom doors closed. Sleeping with your door closed can reduce exposure to toxic smoke and help limit the spread of flames.



Photo courtesy NFD

Despite a lot of smoke, no one was injured in the blaze.

2024 Winter Concert Series Kicks Off at Sheridan Library

The Farmers Bank is presenting local artists for a cozy fireplace concert series located in the library. Tickets are \$5/each concert and can be purchased at the library before or at the door. This series is for all ages. Seating is limited. All proceeds go to Friends of the Sheridan Public Library to directly support SPL. The schedule is as follows:



Breanna Faith

January 20:
Breanna Faith
6-8 p.m.

February 17:
Terra Hoskins with Matt Keyser
6-8 p.m.



Terra Hoskins

March 16:
Kortney and Steve
6-8 p.m.

Noblesville Lions Learn Details of Leader Dogs



Photo Courtesy Noblesville Lions

At the Noblesville Lions Club Jan 10th meeting, the Lions were entertained by Patricia Bingham and Connie Bowman, along with Sky, a Leader Dog. Patricia spoke about the formation of the Indiana Leader Dog Foundation here in Indiana. Connie gave the Lions her insight into her training along with her dog, Sky. The ladies, from left, Patricia Bingham, Connie Bowman and Sky, are pictured with Lion VP Jeff Kozicki

Hyperion Players to produce *Doubt - A Parable* in Fishers

The Hyperion Players, with the support of The Farmers Bank, will present John Patrick Shanley's *Doubt - A Parable*, recipient of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the Tony Award for Best Play, Jan. 25-28 at The Switch Theatre in Fishers.

In this brilliant and powerful drama, Sister Aloysius, a Bronx school principal, takes matters into her own hands when she suspects the young Father Flynn of improper relations with one of the male students.

"Doubt - A Parable challenges the audience to consider how we handle situations when we don't have all the facts," said director Daniel Maloy. "John Patrick Shanley's play dives into deep meaning through evocative content, insightful dialogue, strong characters, and challenging themes. You may all leave feeling differently about the actions of these characters...this means we have done our job well. We are excited to present this show to you."

Doubt - A Parable is the second play of Hyperion's second season, following September's *Waiting for*

Godot. Coming soon are Bess Wohl's *Grand Horizons* and local playwright Brad Staggs' *I Love My Zombie*. Hyperion incorporated as a nonprofit in late 2021 and publicly launched in January 2022.

Doubt - A Parable is scheduled for only four performances: Thursday, Jan. 25, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, 2:30 p.m.

All performances will be at The Switch Theatre, 10029 E. 126th St, Fishers (located inside Ji-Eun Lee Music Academy).

The show will run 90 minutes with no intermission. Tickets cost \$12 and can be purchased at <https://www.hyperionplayers.com/tickets/> or at the door.

This production is made possible with the generous support of The Farmers Bank. The Farmers Bank is locally owned and operated with 10 banking offices located in Central Indiana providing retail, business, trust and asset management, investment, mortgage, and electronic banking services.



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Stunning 5BR, 4.5BA in Essex of Noblesville. Custom designed with in-laws quarters on main level, kitchen with quartz, butler's pantry, premium lot w/pond view, walk-out basement, 3-car garage plus storage, a must see to appreciate all this home has to offer. BLC#21949379

11256 Winding Wood Ct. Indianapolis • \$239,900

SOLD!



This open concept condo is move-in ready, 2 BR, 2 BA. Family room with gas fireplace, eat-in kitchen with granite counters, breakfast bar, tile floor, pantry, appliances stay, main BR ensuite with walk-in tile shower, large 2-car garage, patio with retractable awning. BLC#21945183

18865 Wimbley Way Noblesville • \$289,900

SOLD!



This 3 BR, 2 BA ranch is located in family friendly Fairfield Farms. Huge great room w/doors leading to covered patio & fenced backyard, kitchen w/pantry, dining area & all appliances stay, new windows, water softener & HVAC in 2020. Fence, roof & gutters 2021. BLC#21949582

10717 Upland Way Noblesville • \$349,900

SOLD!



Welcome to this lovely 4 BR, 2.5 BA home, kitchen with center island and newer SS appliances, spacious family room with gas fireplace, park-like backyard with maintenance free deck, auto-retractable awning, paver patio, basketball court and cute she shed. BLC#21949680

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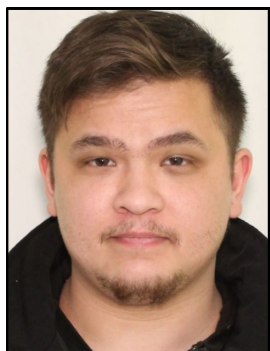
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FBI Asks For Help With Finding Victims

The U.S. Attorney's Office in Anchorage recently arrested Michael Koetter on charges of Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material and Coercion. Koetter is originally from Indiana and investigators believe he may have additional victims in and surrounding Marion County. According to court documents, Michael Koetter, 28, possessed child pornography depicting minors as young as toddlers. He also allegedly attempted to induce, entice, or coerce a minor to engage in sexually explicit behavior by seeking out girls under 12 years old that "have rates," which is a term often used in the commercial sex



industry referring to the price to perform sex acts or purchase sexually explicit images. Koetter is charged with possession of child pornography depicting minors who have not attained 12 years of age, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §2252A(a)(5)(b) and (b) (2), and attempted coercion and enticement of a minor, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §2422(b). If convicted, the



defendant faces a mandatory minimum penalty of 10 years in prison. A federal district court judge will determine any sentence after considering the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors. Potential victims or anyone with information are urged to contact FBI Anchorage at 907-276-4441 or online at tips.fbi.gov.

Republican Chuck Goodrich Files for 5th District Seat

Republican Chuck Goodrich officially filed for Indiana's 5th Congressional District with the Indiana Secretary of State's office last week. "I am excited to announce that I officially filed for Indiana's 5th Congressional District. The current state of our economy is hurting everyday Americans. Bidenomics has failed to lower inflation and the staggering prices that affect everyone's day to day life. I am running to rebuild our economy from the ground up by investing in real world job training programs. The current administration has also failed to ensure American's safety by not addressing the southern border crisis. We need to finish building the wall to ensure a safe and secure border." Since announcing his intent to run for Congress in May of 2023, Chuck has traveled throughout the district making appearances at



Chuck Goodrich, left, poses with Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales

appearances at countless events. He has dedicated time in all of the district's six counties to meet with new voters. When talking with voters, Chuck focuses on three key issues that he is ready to lead on.

Chuck wants to reverse the current state of America's economy by cutting reckless government spending to bring down inflation, securing the southern border, and ending generational poverty.

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and the Association of Indiana Counties (AIC). He was recently recognized, along with his fellow commissioners, with an award from the ICC for exceptional teamwork on a water availability study and a Leadership and Impact Award from the Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County. In total, the commissioners have received six statewide

awards in the past year, highlighting their outstanding service and accomplishments. Heirbrandt and his wife, Gina, have called Hamilton County home for over three decades. They are proud parents to Blake and twins Ethan and Evan, and they are active members of the Catholic community, belonging to Saint Maria Goretti Catholic Parish in Westfield.

COUNCIL From Page A1

Council for entrusting us to lead, charting a course where diversity in leadership is not just celebrated but woven into the fabric of progress." Massillamany was elected to the Hamilton County Council in 2011. She represents District 2 which includes Delaware and Fall Creek Townships. Massillamany works in professional services and is a Senior Director at RGP, a worldwide consulting firm specializing in Finance, Accounting, Governance, Risk & Compliance, Information Management, Human Capital, and

Corporate Advisory. Maki was elected to the Hamilton County Council in 2020 and took office January 1, 2021. She is an At-Large member. Maki served as Manager of Environmental Initiatives & Education for Carmel Utilities for 15 years before retiring in June 2021 to devote more time to her County Council role. "I am looking forward to working with President Massillamany to continue improvements in communication and collaboration with the Commissioners and other government entities," Maki says.

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RUSTY From Page A1

payment for 2024. If that is the case, the best way to get this detail is in your personal "my Social Security" online account, which provides all the information mentioned. You can access your online account at www.ssa.gov/myaccount, and if you don't already have that online account set up, you'll need to first establish your online access credentials (instructions for how to do that will be at that website). I'm not sure which video you watched, but "all retired workers" do not get \$1,848 (or \$1,938). Everyone's Social Security benefit is different, based on their lifetime earnings record and the age at which they claimed benefits. The numbers you heard in the video were likely average Social Security payments, not the actual amount you should personally be receiving. Here's how it works:

- Your personal benefit is based on your Primary Insurance Amount (PIA) which is the amount you get if you claim for your benefits to start at your full retirement age (FRA), which is somewhere between

66 and 67 depending on the year you were born. Claim before your FRA your benefit is permanently reduced; claim after your FRA it is higher. Your personal maximum benefit is achieved if you claim at age 70.

- The Medicare Part B premium (for outpatient healthcare services) is automatically deducted from your Social Security payment. Although the standard 2023 Part B premium was \$164.90, the standard 2024 Part B premium is \$174.70. You may also have other things (e.g., income tax) withheld from your monthly Social Security payment.

- The annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for 2024 is 3.2%. That means your gross Social Security benefit goes up by that percentage starting in 2024. But there was also a \$9.80 increase in your Medicare Part B premium starting in 2024, which means that you won't see all of the COLA increase in your Social Security payment. Since your Medicare premium is deducted from your Social Security, that Medicare increase will also be taken from your SS payment, so

you won't see the full 3.2% COLA increase in your 2024 Social Security payment.

To see all of this detail for you personally, I suggest you access your online "my Social Security" account as described above. As an alternative, you can also call Social Security at 1.800.772.1213 and request a Benefit Verification Letter which will include all the information you seek about your Social Security payment.

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Holcomb Appoints Andrew Bloch to Circuit Court

Indiana Gov. Eric J. Holcomb recently announced Andrew Bloch has been appointed to the Hamilton County Circuit Court, replacing Judge Paul Felix who was appointed to the Court of Appeals on June 29, 2023.

Bloch serves as a magistrate for Hamilton County. Prior to his role as a magistrate, he worked in private practice with a focus on family law. Bloch volunteers as a judge in the Hamilton County Mock Trial competition, serves as a mentor to recent law graduates who need to retake their Bar Examination and serves on the Supreme Court's Domestic Relations Committee.

Bloch received an undergraduate degree from Xavier University and a law degree from Indiana University McKinney School of Law.



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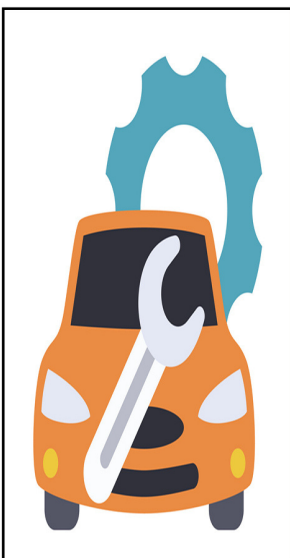
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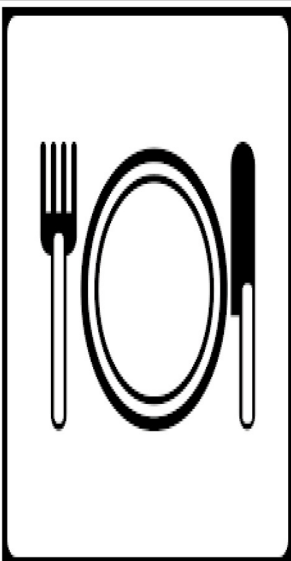
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Looking Back at Purdue's Track Record Against Top 10 Opponents

In the 56-year history of Mackey Arena, last Thursday night's 83-78 victory by top-ranked Purdue against No. 9 Illinois was only the 10th time the Big Ten's loudest arena has hosted a matchup between two Top 10 teams.

Although the Boilermakers are 4-0 against Top 10 opponents this season, Illinois was the first to be played in West Lafayette. Victories against No. 7 Tennessee and No. 4 Marquette came at the Maui Invitational. Purdue regained the No. 1 ranking in December with a victory over then-top-ranked Arizona at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. Here's a look back at the previous nine Top 10 matchups at Mackey Arena.

Jan. 13, 1980: No. 5 Syracuse 66, No. 1 Purdue 61 – So desperate was Purdue for any national TV attention, it agreed to a game with the Orangemen 24 hours following a Big Ten home game against Michigan. The Boilermakers defeated the Wolverines 68-61 and fans awaited the attention that always followed the NBC team of Dick Enberg, Billy Packer and Al McGuire. Long before ESPN's GameDay made celebrities of its personnel, Enberg-Packer-McGuire were must-see TV every week for college basketball fans.



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

NBC promoted the matchup of Purdue All-American Joe Barry Carroll against Syracuse's 6-11 Roosevelt Bouie. "Bouie has a reputation as a great defensive center, and Joe Barry is the defending Big Ten scoring leader," Purdue coach Lee Rose said. "It should be a monumental matchup." Carroll won the head-to-head matchup, putting up 28 points, 10 rebounds and four blocked shots. But the other half of the "Louie and Bouie Show," forward Louie Orr, had 13 points and 10 rebounds to help Syracuse overcome a 39-30 halftime deficit.

Jan. 19, 1987: No. 1 Iowa 70, No. 5 Purdue 67 – Once again, the Boilermakers agreed to play on back-to-back days to get on national TV. Only this time, the national TV game (ABC) was the first matchup, an 88-73 victory against reigning national champion Louisville. "We wanted to play on national TV, and we got our wish," Purdue guard Troy Lewis said after the Louisville game. "But we also had to sacrifice something, playing two nights in a row against very good teams." The Hawkeyes withstood a pair of Lewis 3-point shots in the final six seconds, part of a miserable 4 of 17 shooting for Purdue behind the arc. The Boilermakers misfired all night, shooting 39 percent overall.

Jan. 22, 1987: No. 5 Purdue 87, No. 10

Illinois 86 (OT) – Just three days later, fans witnessed one of the strangest endings to a Boilermaker game. Purdue forward Doug Lee sent the game into overtime with his buzzer-beating 3-pointer. With the game tied at 86, Illinois' Doug Altenberger was called for traveling near the Purdue basket with three seconds left. Kip Jones, a 48 percent free throw shooter, was fouled with no time on the clock. The first free throw hung on the rim before falling off but the second try was good. The Purdue bench mobbed Jones on the court, thinking the game was over. However, the buzzer had not gone off so the officials called a technical foul on Purdue. Altenberger, a 78 percent free throw shooter, missed the chance to force a second overtime. The Fighting Illini's Stephen Bardo was short on a desperation shot as the buzzer sounded. "People, if they want their money back on this one, they're sick," Purdue coach Gene Keady said afterward. "We played our hearts out."

Feb. 26, 1987: No. 6 Purdue 75, No. 3 Indiana 64 – The Boilermakers broke out their gold uniforms for the second time that season (The win over Louisville was the first) and with support from several members of the 1984 Big Ten championship team took a giant step toward Keady's second conference crown.

Jim Rowinski, Steve Reid, Curt Clawson, Mark Atkinson, Ricky Hall and Greg Eifert saw a Purdue team earn its sixth consecutive victory. More inspiration came from Indiana center Dean Garrett, who told the media early in the week that the Hoosiers wanted to win more than the Boilermakers. Garrett fouled out with 5:19 to play, having contributed just two points and four rebounds. Troy Lewis' 18 points led four Purdue players in double figures.

March 5, 1988: No. 2 Purdue 80, No. 10 Michigan 67 – The Boilermakers clinched their first outright Big Ten championship since 1969 with Melvin McCants scoring a career-high 24 points to go with 10 rebounds.

March 4, 1990: No. 9 Purdue 79, No. 8 Michigan 77 – Jimmy Oliver said he had never made a game-winning shot until his off-balance jumper with three seconds left delivered the Boilermakers past the Wolverines. It was a memorable send-off for Purdue seniors Stephen Scheffler, Ryan Berning and Tony Jones. Scheffler had 26 points, Berning put up career highs of 19 points and 10 rebounds while Jones compiled 13 points, nine assists and six rebounds.

Jan. 7, 1993: No. 3 Michigan 80, No. 9 Purdue 70 – The healthy members of

the Wolverines' "Fab Five" were too much for the Boilermakers. Chris Webber's 22 points and 14 rebounds helped Michigan take control in the first half. Current Michigan coach Juwan Howard added 18 points, while Jalen Rose and Jimmy King each scored 12. A separated shoulder kept Ray Jackson on the bench. Glenn Robinson's 30 points paced the Boilermakers. Purdue athletic officials gave out 320 media passes to writers, broadcasters and photographers. Notable publications covering the game included Sports Illustrated, the Minneapolis Star-Tribune, Louisville Courier-Journal and both the Chicago Tribune and Sun-Times.

Dec. 2, 2008: No. 4 Duke 76, No. 9 Purdue 60 – The Blue Devils' defense shut down E'Twaun Moore, Robbie Hummel and Keaton Grant on the way to building a 36-28 halftime lead. Moore didn't score until 10:45 remained in the game and finished with 10 points. Hummel led Purdue with 15 but Grant was held to six points on 1 of 9 shooting. Duke outrebounded Purdue 49-29.

Jan. 1, 2010: No. 4 Purdue 77, No. 6 West Virginia 62 – The Boilermakers looked like a Final Four contender, making their first seven shots of the second half to expand a five-point lead to 16.

JaJuan Johnson had 25 points and 10 rebounds for Purdue, which improved to 13-0. Robbie Hummel scored 18 on 7 of 8 shooting, and E'Twaun Moore put up 15.

– *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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"Romance scammers often manipulate emotions to gain trust," says Mark Kwapiszeski, head of enterprise fraud for PNC. "Those who fall victim end up putting feelings above logic. This can create embarrassment and, as a result, these crimes are less likely to be reported." Scammers will create convincing profiles on dating and social media apps, reaching out to their target feigning familiarity or attraction. Things move quickly, but there is always a reason they can't meet on video or in person. They may claim to have a reason that requires them to be overseas or out of reach. They tell their target everything they want to hear, and the hook is set. Suddenly, a crisis arises that they insist they need help financial help with to mitigate. Or maybe they need finances to set up a new life together. They ask for the money, but would prefer it be sent in a form like cryptocurrency or gift card where there is little chance of the victim ever recovering it.

Such scams are highly effective. In 2022 alone, romance scams resulted in \$1.3 billion lost, more than double the money lost in the previous year, according to the FTC. To add insult to injury, scammers may convince their target to send them revealing photos they will later use to extort them. They may even play the long game and build trust over time, then convince their target to invest with them, without the victim ever getting any return. "A romance scammer can invest a long time in cultivating trust, which makes these scams particularly nefarious," Kwapiszeski says. To protect against potential romance scams, follow these tips:

- Before sending money or sharing financial information, consult a friend or family member. Simply talking to someone not involved in the situation is often enough to identify red flags.
- Trust your gut. If something seems too good to be true, it probably is.

- Beware of "love bombing," when a person lavishes you with excessive flattery, affection and praise early in the relationship to manipulate your emotions.

- Be wary of strangers reaching out on social media.

- If you like someone, ask for a quick video chat. If they refuse or make up outlandish excuses, that's a red flag.

- Stay alert to photos or biographical details that don't match up with what someone's told you.

- Use image and name-reverse searches to validate the identity of people you meet online.

- Never send intimate photos to strangers or invest without doing your due diligence.

- Confide in family and friends if you grow suspicious.

Elders have lost homes, emptied out retirement accounts and risked lifetime savings for a love interest that never truly existed. Once

the shock abates and the money is gone, the shame sets in and some have even resorted to self-harm instead of admitting to being defrauded in this way. If a loved one falls victim to a romance scam, it's important to respond with empathy.

If you believe you or someone you love has been a victim of fraud, PNC Bank's web resources, as part of its Security and Privacy Center (pnc.com), can help. After taking immediate measures to protect yourself, block the scammer on all accounts, change your passwords, and report the incident to the FTC and FBI.

The best line of defense against romance scams is awareness. Understanding common tactics can help you stay protected.

Take Journey with Actors Theatre on Route 66!

Actors Theatre of Indiana is ready to return to the stage with Route 66, February 2 -18, 2024. You'll be sure to 'get your kicks' with this smash coast-to-coast hit musical! Take a dollop of Grease, mix in some Pump Boys and Dinettes, and add a generous dose of Forever Plaid, and you've got the high-octane fun of Route 66!

Beginning with the sounds of 1950s Chicago and traveling along the 'Main Street of America' to the California coast with the surf music of the 1960s, this exciting musical revue features 34 of the greatest 'Rock 'n' Road' hits of the 20th century. Created by Roger Bean, known for his popular jukebox musicals, including the Off-Broadway hit, The Marvelous Wonderettes, Route 66 features songs such as "Dead Man's Curve", "King of the Road", "Six Days on the Road", "Little GTO", "Fun, Fun, Fun" and many more. Directed by ATI Co-Founder Cynthia Collins, Route 66 features ATI favorites Brett Mutter, Craig Underwood, Kieran Danaan and Eric Olson. All performances will be held at The Studio Theater at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel, IN. Purchase tickets at atistage.org or by calling The Center's Fifth Third Bank Box Office 317.843.3800.



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“As people age, they may experience stressors such as serious illness, losing close friends and family members, managing life on a fixed income, and coping with concerns about their own mortality. While seniors may show resilience to these dimensions of vitality, when they’re compounded, these losses and stressors can result in a myriad of behavioral health issues, including depression, anxiety, stress, and insomnia,” says Dr. Lindsay Evans-Mitchell, board certified adult psychiatrist and behavioral health medical director for Cigna Healthcare’s Medicare Advantage business. Dementia, which includes memory loss and language difficulties, is another issue often more pronounced with age, and in earlier stages, it can often mimic some symptoms of depression. Fortunately, Dr. Evans-Mitchell says making healthy choices can improve your quality of life, including your overall mental well-being, and potentially reduce your risk of both depression and dementia:

Practice good nutrition: There is evidence that plant-based diets are associated with better health, including better emotional health. That’s another reason to add more green, leafy vegetables to your diet.

Exercise: Regular exercise can positively affect cognitive ability. If you have a Medicare Advantage (MA) plan offering access to a fitness program at no extra cost, then make sure to take advantage of it. You can learn about Cigna Healthcare’s MA plans at cignamedicareinformation.com.

Hydrate: Drink plenty of water. Dehydration can negatively affect cognitive performance. Even mild dehydration can drain energy and cause fatigue.

Enjoy some sunshine: Sunlight provides needed vitamin D. Getting sunshine may increase your serotonin and help you stave off depression caused by Seasonal Affective Disorder, or SAD. Also, according to the Alzheimer’s Association, exposure to vitamin D can lower

dementia risk by as much as 40%. Of course, make sure to take proper precautions, such as wearing a hat, using sunscreen, and wearing eye protection that shields against UV light.

Get plenty of rest: Older adults need seven to nine hours of sleep each night, according to the National Institutes of Health. People who get six hours of sleep or less a night are at greater risk of developing dementia later, the organization says. Additionally, poor sleep could be a sign of depression and should be discussed with your doctor.

Stay away from harmful substances: Dealing with behavioral health issues in unhealthy ways, such as abusing prescription or illicit drugs or alcohol, will only worsen the situation. According to the National Institutes for Health, research shows heavy alcohol use can increase the risk of both dementia and depression.

Pick up a hobby: Hobbies like gardening, cooking and solving puzzles can help improve your memory and your physical and mental health.

Be social: Isolation can lead to depression, which only worsened for many during the COVID-19 pandemic. Reach out to friends and family in person, via video chat, or over the telephone.

Find help if you need it: Keep your regular medical appointments, and don’t hesitate to seek additional help from your network, if you need it. This may take the form of a financial advisor, a clergy member, or a mental health professional. Medicare generally covers the cost of behavioral health services, including depression and addiction treatment, as well as talk therapy. Virtual services are often available to those living in rural areas. And if you’re experiencing a crisis that includes suicidal thoughts, call 988 immediately.

“For some older adults, seeking help can be difficult,” says Dr. Evans-Mitchell. “But getting help is a sign of strength, not weakness. There’s no benefit to suffering in silence when help to improve your life is within reach.”

Heights Swimmer Signs With Xavier



Photo courtesy of Hamilton Heights / Jen Kauffman.

Teegan Madara (seated) is pictured with her family, from left, Allison (mother), Ayla (sister), and Mike (father).

Teegan Madara, Hamilton Heights’ senior, has signed a letter of intent to swim for Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio this fall. Xavier University is a member of the Big East Conference and a NCAA Division I athletic institution. She is the daughter of Allison and Mike Madara.

A multi-sport (Swimming, Cross Country, and Track) athlete, Madara is a strong and accomplished student. She has been among the Top 10 percent of her class all four years, Academic All-Conference (9th, 10th, 11th), Engineering Departmental Award (9th), Heights Record holder in the 200IM, 100 Fly, 500 Free, 100 Breast, State qualifier and Finalist, Conference Champion, and she earned seven varsity letters.

It was her visit to Xavier University that sealed the deal. “I thought this would be the best fit for me,” said Teegan Madara, who was accepted and directly admitted to the university’s nursing program in November. “The coaches were really motivated and had a caring heart for everyone on the team. The team-like culture and academics really stood out to me.” Madara plans to study nursing and ultimately become a Nurse Practitioner degree specializing in pediatrics. “Specifically, I am looking for a career in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit or Labor and Delivery,” she noted.

Madara started swimming lessons when she was eight months old. The first team she swam for was Power Aquatics at age 7. After seven years with Power Aquatics she joined the Fishers Area Swimming Tigers (FAST) in addition to swimming competitively for Hamilton Heights.

“In the short time that I have been coaching Teegan I have been impressed by her leadership, passion for the sport, and work ethic,” said Brett Riley, Hamilton Heights Boys/Girls Swimming Coach. “She is our team captain, and she takes on that role with pride. Teegan is always holding her teammates accountable and encouraging them to do their best. She is extremely self-motivated and very coachable. She sets ambitious goals and then does whatever she needs to do to achieve those goals. We will greatly miss Teegan next year, not only for her swimming accomplishments, but also her character. I wish her the best of luck next year at Xavier.”

“Teegan has been a major contributor to the success of the Girls Swimming program at Hamilton Heights High School the past four years,” said Kurt Ogen, Hamilton Heights Athletic Director. “Heading into the 2023-24 season, Teegan has broken four swimming records and is very capable of breaking those same records again this year. She is an outstanding student and person. She will be sorely missed at Hamilton Heights. We wish her well as she continues her swimming career at Division 1, Xavier University.”

Madara credits her parents, coaches, and teammates for helping her to be the person she is today. “Everyday they push me to be a better version of myself,” she said. “I am so thankful because I would not be the person or athlete I am today without them!”

Madara is as active in school as she is in the water and on the field. She is a four-year member of Student Government serving as the organization’s secretary last year and vice president this year. She is also a member of the Honor Society, Bring Change to Mind, ACTS, LINKS Youth Advisory Council, HHSC Advisory Panel, Genesis Church, Fishers Area Swimming Tigers (FAST), and Husky Drowning Prevention Program.

Tax Reform Could Help Small Hoosier Businesses

NFIB Indiana State Director Natalie Robinson recently testified before the Tax Review Task Force on the positive impact tax reform would have on small businesses. “The Indiana General Assembly has an opportunity to further improve Indiana’s tax climate and allow taxpayers to spend and invest their tax dollars as they see fit, rather than growing government. Passing tax reform that allows small businesses to keep more of their hard-earned money not only allows them to better compete with their large,

corporate competitors in this tight labor market, it also helps them offer existing employees better benefits to help retain them,” Robinson said. She continued, “We are encouraged by the work of the Tax Review Task Force and appreciate the exploration of tax reform that will further improve Indiana’s tax climate and support the small business community.” According to an NFIB tax survey, federal business income taxes were the most burdensome tax on both a financial and

administrative basis for small business owners. Payroll tax and state & local income tax were the second most burdensome taxes, followed by property taxes.



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HHHS Swimmer commits to Virginia Tech



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Nathan Cox (seated) is pictured with his family, from left, father Scott Cox, mother Dr. Sara Cox, and sister Kat Cox.

Nathan Cox, Hamilton Heights’ senior, has signed a letter of intent to join Virginia Tech’s Swimming and Diving team. Virginia Tech is a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) and a NCAA Division I athletic institution. He is the son of Dr. Sara and Scott Cox.

It was Virginia Tech’s School of Engineering, high quality athletic/academic facilities, great coaching staff, and team atmosphere that sealed the deal for Nathan Cox to continue his education and dive at the collegiate level. Cox, who plans to study Chemical Engineering, is among Heights’ most accomplished student athletes.

A member of the of the National Honor Society and multisport (Diving and Golf) athlete, Cox broke/set 6 dive and 11 dive school records. He earned the Mt. Vernon Sportsmanship Award, was a two-time Conference Champion, three-time State Finalist (13th, 6th ,and 2nd), USA Junior National Qualifier, and Academic All-Conference.

“I have loved diving since I started in the 6th grade, but I really developed my dedication and passion for the sport when I joined club diving in the 8th grade. “To develop my skills, I have continued to train hard and set goals along the way to keep my progress on track.”

Cox credits his family, friends, and teammate Ethan Swert, for their support and encouragement. “Without Ethan,” added Cox, “I would not have been pushed to progress as much as I did or work as hard.”

“From the sixth grade, Nathan has been driven to be the best possible student and athlete he could,” said Steve Hoferle, Diving Coach, Hamilton Heights High School. “It has been a joy to be his High School Coach and to watch him flourish in the Ripfest system. He and teammate Ethan Swart are the “Dynamic Duo” leaving a lasting mark on Heights’ diving program. I am excited to see what the future has in store for this young man.”

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“Nathan Cox has been a pleasure to watch dive for the past four years,” added Kurt Ogden, Athletic Director, Hamilton Heights High School. “I will never forget last year’s State Finals when he and his teammate, Ethan Swart, finished first and second. What an incredible day for both swimmers! And now, with all of his hard work, he has an opportunity to dive for a very prestigious university while earning his Engineering degree. He has been a model student/athlete at Hamilton Heights High School. We wish him well at Virginia Tech.”

Two Named Partners at CCHA Law

Church Church Hittle and Antrim (CCHA Law) is pleased to announce that Chandler Lawson Flynn and Emily J. Schmale have been named Partners. Chandler is a partner in the firm’s School and Education Law practice group. Licensed to practice law in Indiana and Tennessee, she is an enthusiastic, assertive, and service-minded individual with a proven record of generating and building relationships, managing projects from inception to disposition, demonstrating exceptional communication skills, and making critical decisions that best serve her clients. “From her first day with CCHA, Chandler has been a vital member of our firm,” said Alex Pinegar, Managing Partner. “As she transitions to partnership, I have no doubt that Chandler’s leadership and client service will help to ensure that CCHA continues to have the preeminent School Law practice in Indiana.”

As we introduce Chandler as a new Partner, we are just as excited to shine the spotlight on Emily. This marks a big step forward for both attorneys and our firm’s ongoing success. Emily is a partner in the firm’s Family Law practice group. Paired with a background in business litigation, this equips her to address a spectrum of client needs, ranging from custody arrangements to complex disputed asset division. Additionally, Emily is a licensed mediator, which enables her to focus on creative problem solving for families. “We are also very pleased to welcome Emily to our partnership,” said Alex Pinegar, Managing Partner. “Since she joined the firm, she has only strengthened our already strong Family Law practice. Emily is an excellent litigator. But Emily also really cares for her clients and she sees and treats them as real people with real problems—not just as another file.”



Chandler Lawson Flynn



Emily J. Schmale

Hamilton County Honors Employees for Years of Service County Surveyor Celebrates 50 Years of Employment

Hamilton County is celebrating 125 employees for their service to the community. Each year the Board of Commissioners and Human Resources Department recognize and honor employees for long and meritorious service by presenting service awards at the end of each five years of employment. Each recipient will be given a service pin with the number of years on it. Human Resources Director Sheena Randall says, “Our goal is to bring to the citizens and taxpayers of Hamilton County the most responsive governmental services possible. Employing top quality people, providing them with meaningful work, and retaining their services helps serve the public efficiently and effectively.” County Surveyor Kenton Ward tops this year’s list of employees with the most longevity. He started working for the County his freshman year of college and has been employed for 50 years – 46 of which have been as the County Surveyor. “I love the work we do here,” Ward says. “That’s why I have stayed so long. It’s rewarding to take a problem situation and design a solution to fix the issue, constructing it, and seeing it work to benefit the public. I have enjoyed being a part of the growth of the county and serving the ever-increasing number of residents.” “The county offers great benefits too,” adds Randall. “Such as health insurance, paid holidays, and a 37.5-hour work week.” This year, seven employees will celebrate 35 years of service with the County, six will mark 30 years, and 12 will observe 25 years. Another 14 employees will be honored for reaching the 20-year milestone with 22 marking 15 years, 30 celebrating 10 years, and 32 reaching five years of employment. The complete list is attached.



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- Jeffrey Burk
- Autumn Miller
- Christopher Rairdon
- Ryan Scherer
- Ashley Horning
- Ottina Jenvold
- Kevin Crask
- Claire Chamberlain
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- Daniel DeYoung
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- Sheila Douglas
- Kristin Grinstead

- 15 Year Service Pins
- Michael Maloof
- Lisa Scherer
- Sadie Eldridge
- Jane Whitton
- Peter Acker
- Jessup Hutsen
- William Houston
- Brandi Turner
- Jennifer Goodnight
- Christopher Murray
- Daniel Popiela
- Steve Shew
- Amanda Rasnake
- Patrick McLoughlin
- Kevin Hale
- Sara Franklin
- Stacia Robbins
- Haley Wise
- Deborah Waterman
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- Georgia Marshall
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- Kimberly Garmon
- Tammy Gleber
- Bradley Davis
- Amber Riggs
- Jeffrey Leap
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- Christopher Gullion
- Skyler Moe
- Allen Henricks
- Nathan Brown
- Stephen Forner
- Amanda Govin
- Jeffery Frolick
- Heather Garret
- Crystal Condellone
- Caleb Pyle
- Ryan Musson
- Joseph Pyle
- Scott Dykes
- Reuben Arvin
- Shane Booker

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- David Lucas
- Charles Miller
- Amanda Smith
- Joshua Ireland
- Gregory Lockhart
- Melvin Tracey
- Christopher Russell
- Susan Benton
- Felicia Smock
- Linda Burdett

- 30 Year Service Pins
- Dixiana Packard
- Janice VanMetre
- Thomas Battles
- Suzanne Mills
- Charles Swift
- Steve Fesmire

- 35 Year Service Pins
- Jerolyn Ogle
- Nancy Fletcher
- Teresa Thomas
- Dawn Coverdale
- Robert Davis
- William Hughes
- Jon Robison

- 50 Year Service Pin
- Kenton Ward

- 10 Year Service Pins
- Roberta Deckard
- Jill Taxter
- Paula Elliott
- Daniel Weiss
- Lee Schwartz
- Mark Heirbrandt
- Melisa Phillips
- Diana Schildmeier
- Alexander Thompson
- Matthew Layton
- Deanna Teal
- Allison Barlow
- Phil Henson



Center for the Performing Arts January Calendar

An Evening with Branford Marsalis

8 p.m. Friday, Jan, 26

The Palladium

Tickets from \$45

Drewry Simmons Vornehm Jazz Series

Saxophonist Branford Marsalis – NEA Jazz Master, three-time Grammy Award winner and Emmy and Tony Award nominee – is equally at home performing concertos with symphony orchestras and sitting in with members of the Grateful Dead, but the core of his musical universe remains the Branford Marsalis Quartet. After more than three decades with minimal personnel changes, the celebrated ensemble is revered for its uncompromising original compositions and interpretations of jazz and popular classics. The group earned Grammy nominations for its two most recent albums, Upward Spiral with vocalist Kurt Elling and the live recording The Secret Between the Shadow and the Soul. Opening the evening will be Northside Exchange, an Indianapolis-based trio featuring Daniel Hicks on keyboards, Darnell Perkins on drums and Joseph Filipow on guitar.

OTHER JANUARY EVENTS INCLUDE:

Child & Adult Music Class: A Snowy Day

9:30 a.m. (sold out) or 10:45 a.m. Fridays, Jan. 5 to Feb. 9

The Palladium

Cost: \$72 for all six sessions

Musician/educator Michelle Marti leads songs, games and rhythm activities built around winter themes. Presented in partnership with Westfield Veterinary Care, the program is designed for children ages 18 months to 5 years.

Peanut Butter & Jam: Movers and Shakers with Relevations Dance Co.

10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 6

The Studio Theater

Tickets: \$10 per child, includes two free adult admissions with each order

Join a dance party! Kids will learn dance fundamentals and more in this exciting educational performance based in creative movement, geared to expand the creative mind. A fun and interactive program created and choreographed by Relevations Dance Company in collaboration with Footprints Movement Center, Movers and Shakers will delight audiences from toddlers to parents. Designed for children ages 1-7, Peanut Butter & Jam sessions encourage young children to become engaged in the arts.

Luminaries: Deliberate Deceptions – Magic and Wonder with Jeff Loeser

2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23

The Palladium

Tickets: \$10, includes light refreshments

Magic is experiencing a renaissance with popular TV series, viral internet clips and live touring shows. Magician Jeff Loeser will share an insightful look into the world of magic, its history, some of his favorite tricks and the stories behind them. Luminaries is the Center’s weekday speaker series on the arts.

Live at the Center: Clare Longendyke

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31

Online and at the Palladium

Livestream: Free (pay-what-you-can, no minimum)

On site: \$10 (pay-what-you-can, \$10 minimum)

Pianist Clare Longendyke’s artistry is defined by her search for the quintessential sound and character in every composition she performs. From familiar favorites – Beethoven, Debussy, Rachmaninov – to today’s cutting-edge musical voices, she curates programs that expand the classical concert stage to be more inclusive and imaginative. Longendyke holds degrees from Boston University’s College of Fine Arts, the École Normale de Musique in Paris, and the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. Live at the Center is a monthly concert and livestream series featuring original music by Indiana-based artists.

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