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John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Hamilton Happenings

The Board of Directors for the Hamilton County Historical Society is seeking volunteers for a Vice President and Treasurer. The Historical Society, which is run by a 13-person board that includes a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and nine at-large members, manages the Historic Sheriff's Residence and Jail Museum on the square in Noblesville, the Museum Director and regular Society business. Anyone interested should contact President Jessica Layman at jessielearene@gmail.com or (317) 922-6120 before Nov. 21.

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By The Numbers, a look at what's in the news . . . by the numbers. These are just numbers, not suggestions that they mean more or less than what they are. We do not suggest that one number is connected to another. These are simply facts with no extraneous details, bias or slanted reporting. To borrow (and perhaps mangle a bit) a quote from legendary fictional detective Joe Friday, it's just the numbers, ma'am!

Yes, Halloween is Thursday – but we took a look at that spooky holiday last week in this space. This week, we are going to examine an often-overlooked holiday. All Saints Day happens Friday, or Nov. 1. So without further ado, here is our presentation of All Saints Day . . . by the numbers!

10,000+

We asked AI – whoever that is – how many Saints there are and guess what, AI doesn't know everything! However, it did tell us that the Roman Catholic Church recognizes more than 10,000 saints.



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The day All Saints Day is celebrated each year.

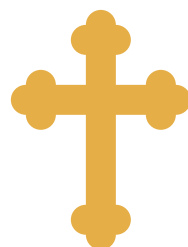
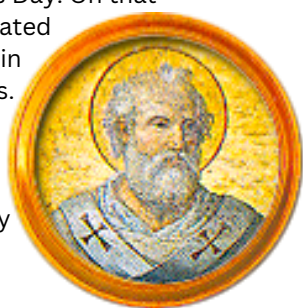


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All Saints Day is the middle of a three-day holiday that sees Halloween fall on Oct. 31, All Saints Day on Nov. 1 and All Souls Day on Nov. 2.

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That's the date Pope Boniface IV first celebrated All Saints Day. On that day, the Pope dedicated the mass to the Virgin Mary and all martyrs. A little more than 200 years later, Louis the Pious made it a day of holy obligation in the Roman Empire.

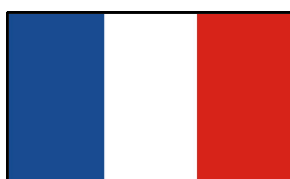


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All Saints Day is observed by many Christian denominations, including Catholics, Lutherans, Methodists, Eastern Orthodox, Anglican, Church of the Nazarene, Reformed Churches and many more.

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In at least two nations – France and Germany in this case – All Saints Day is a much bigger deal. Those citizens have the day off and many businesses are closed!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Exercising at least five days a week can cut sick days in half.

Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"True love is like ghosts, which everyone talks about but few have seen."
Unknown

OBITUARIES

Barbara McElroy
James Wallace

TODAY'S JOKE

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No, ghost says boo!

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Local Community Theaters Take Home 34 Encore Awards



BETSY REASON
Columnist

Nicole Amsler of Noblesville was awarded Best Director of a Comedy and Best Production of a Comedy with co-producer Tom Smith of Westfield for The

Belfry Theatre's "How the Other Half Loves" comedy during Encore Association's 55th annual Encore Awards last Monday.

The comedy earned two other awards: Lisa Warner Lowe of Westfield won Best Performance of a Major Supporting Female Role in a Comedy, and Desiree Black won Best Stage Manager of a Comedy.

The Encore Association awards ceremony is traditionally the social event of the year, like the Oscars or the Tonys, but for community theater, where people dress to the nines, take photos in a "red carpet" area, and cheer on fellow thespians lucky enough to go home with awards for being the best in their show.

Mason Odle of Noblesville won Best Performance of a Leading Male Role in a Comedy for The Belfry's "One Man, Two Guvnors." This show was directed by his wife Andrea Odle, produced by his daughter, Lexi Odle, and featuring daughter, Rylee Odle, who was also up for Best Performance of a Leading Female Role in a Comedy. Mason Odle was thankful and in awe as he came up to the stage to receive the award.

Trever Brown, who starred in the "One Man, Two Guvnors," along with the Odles, was awarded Best Performance of a Major Supporting Male Role in a Comedy.

Addie Taylor won Best Costumes for a Comedy for The Belfry's "The Man Who Came to Dinner," directed by Eric Matters.

Rounding out The Belfry Theatre's awards was a nice surprise and unusual award, a Judge's Special Award presented from the Encore Association to The Belfry and "Father of the Bride," for enhancing the audience's experience with its pre-show

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OBITUARIES

Barbara McElroy

June 27, 1941 - October 22, 2024

Barbara Jean "Puncky" McElroy, age 83, of Sheridan, Indiana, passed away on Tuesday morning, October 22, 2024, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville, Indiana. Born June 27, 1941, in Lebanon, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late Elza Ernest and Maxine Marie (Hayworth) Mossburg.



She was a 1959 graduate of Sheridan High School, and a lifetime member of the Ladies' Auxiliary with the K.V. Elliott American Legion Post 67 in Sheridan.

Barb was the very definition of a work-a-holic. She was so full of energy you'd get tired just watching her. During the week, she worked in the elementary school cafeteria for Sheridan Community Schools. There was never a dull moment during those 41 years. Between the kids, the staff, and the other ladies in the kitchen, you never knew what you were going to walk into that day, but Barb was going to make it fun. On weekends, she cooked and tended bar at the Sheridan Legion. Barb could handle whatever came her way, and serve it right back. She truly loved every minute she got to spend with her Legion family.

Barb tried to stay busy, but not so busy that she missed out on the fun stuff. She enjoyed music and loved to sing (to her, the 50s and 60s were the best), however her favorite activities were those that involved her friends and family. She loved going camping and having friends over to the house. If an activity involved sitting around a campfire, so much the better.

Barb loved her family dearly. She was a fun-loving mom and grandmother, and the best partner in crime anybody could have ever asked for. She took on the world at 100 miles an hour and made sure that everyone along for the ride left with a good story to tell.

Barb is survived by her husband, David Wayne McElroy. She and Dave were married on July 31, 2004. Also surviving are her 2 sons, Greg Gary (Ronda) of Cicero, and Michael Gary (Fawn) of Muncie; brother, Kenneth E. Mossburg of Kokomo; and by her sister, Caroline J. Goodnight of Sheridan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Elza Ernest and Maxine Marie (Hayworth) Mossburg; stepson, Timothy McElroy; nephew, William Dee Goodnight; brother-in-law, Lowell Goodnight; and her feline furbaby, Missy.

Services will take place at 2:00 PM on Thursday, October 31, 2024, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th Street, Sheridan, Indiana, with visitation from 11:00 AM until the time of service. Burial will follow at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor Jody Brown will be officiating.

Memorial contributions may be presented to either the Alzheimer's Association, or to the Ladies' Auxiliary for the K.V. Elliott American Legion Post 67 of Sheridan, Indiana.

James Wallace

March 28, 1948 - October 20, 2024

James Leon Wallace, age 76, passed away on Sunday evening, October 20, 2024, at his home in Noblesville, Indiana. Born March 28, 1948, in Indianapolis, Indiana, he was the son of the late Lloyd Leon and Mary Catherine (Hines) Wallace.



Jimmy never liked being cooped up inside. He loved to be out and about; a ride through the country was all it took to put a better spin on the day. He loved spending quality time on the farm. When he was young, he loved riding his tricycles and pedal tractors (IH of course). As he got older, he upgraded to the adult sized tricycle (still with the same enthusiasm for riding). He eventually began riding along in the grain truck, which was an old school bus that had been converted into a grain truck. Nobody else in the family would ride in that thing except for Jimmy; it was always his first choice. As the years went on, he discovered the joys of riding along in the pickup truck, running parts, picking up supplies, and most importantly, heading to McDonald's for a hamburger and a Pepsi—the well-deserved treat upon completion the day's activities.

His memory was as sharp as a tack, especially when it came to directions. He could always tell which way to get to the farm, which way to get home, and of course, which way to McDonald's. If you started off in the wrong direction, Jimmy would let you know.

James is survived by his 2 sisters, Peggy Jean Robinson of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and Cathy Sue Stowe of Huntsville, Alabama; 2 brothers, Vance Leroy Wallace of Sheridan, and Keith Allen Wallace (Nancy) of Westfield; and several cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd Leon and Mary Catherine (Hines) Wallace; sister-in-law, Susie Wallace; and brother-in-law, Cecil Robinson.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM, Monday, October 28, 2024, at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan, Indiana. Pastor VJ Stover will be officiating.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home of Sheridan, Indiana.

It's Your Call -- Literally



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

We are fast approaching Nov. 5, Election Day and forgive the hyperbole, but this may be one of – if not THE – most important elections in quite some time.

Why? Look around. Has there been a more divisive time in our country? The easy answer is, of course. We had a Civil War that tore us in two. We had the tumultuous '60s when U.S. military troops shot 13 college students, killing four.

We've lived through division before.

And no, make no mistake about it. The outcome of this election is NOT going to pull the country together. If anything, it may well pull it farther apart.

Which is why we all need to exercise the greatest citizenship gift we have – the power to have a say in our government. Whether you are Republican, Democrat or somewhere in between, here's hoping you go vote because if this country is going to heal – and there's no law anywhere that says we have to or will – then we Hoosiers need to play our part and reverse a disturbing trend of disengaging. Going back to the presidential election in 1996 when Bob Dole lost badly to Bill Clinton, Indiana has gone from the middle of the pack in voter turnout to near the bottom. Here are the numbers of where we ranked with other states:

1996: (B. Clinton vs. Dole) 27th
2000: (GW Bush vs. Gore) 34th
2004: (GW Bush vs. Kerry) 40th
2008: (Obama vs. McCain) 35th
2012: (Obama vs. Romney) 38th
2016 (Trump vs. H. Clinton) 36th
2020 (Biden vs. Trump) 40th

The middle 20s to 40th? That's not a good sign, but hopefully this time around will show some improvement. Secretary of State Diego Morales has gone all out to push

voter participation – and good for him for doing so! We need that.

And pardon one man's opinion, but our governor's race is really important this time around. Nothing personal against Jennifer McCormick or Libertarian Donald Rainwater, but their plans to fix property taxes are woefully inadequate.

Not only does Republican Mike Braun have a better plan, but his Lt. Gov. brings a lot to the table.

Again, just one man's opinion, but it's hard for me to understand the left's slanderous attack against Micah Beckwith. Is Micah a conservative, oh hell to the yes – and sorry about that Pastor! But the left has portrayed him as some sort of book-banning kook. Truth to tell, Micah wanted pornographic books moved – let me repeat – moved out of the children's section of the library and moved – let me repeat again – moved to the adult section. Hey, I would have been fine removing them altogether. Porn aimed at children is about the vilest thing I can think of. But we're a free country and that's part of the price we pay.

Look, what happens in Washington will get everyone stirred up. And no matter who wins, the other side is going to lose its mind. But what happens in Indiana is going to impact all of us an awful lot more. Let's hope that Hoosiers everywhere take that seriously and head to the polls!

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

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It Was Late for Corn A Very Bad Oxidant



CARRIE CLASSON
The Postscript

The corn was planted late. We knew that at the time.

Because their house is located so deep in the woods, my mother has had no luck getting vegetables to grow. When my parents heard there were garden plots available in town, they signed up for one, and have had a garden in town for several years.

The rhubarb was already up when they were told there was a garden plot next to theirs that was not being used.

“Use it!” the manager of the community garden told them. I’m not sure where the idea came from, but my dad decided to plant corn.

It was late for corn, that far north. But my dad got three different kinds of seeds, and he soaked them overnight to give them a head start, and when I was visiting last spring, we stuck them in the ground and hoped for the best.

My mom sent a photo mid-summer. “The corn is up!” she wrote, with a photo of the little green stalks in three neat rows.

“How’s the corn?” I’d ask when I called.

“It’s coming, but we still don’t have any cobs ready.”

The stalks grew tall, and they tassled out, and there were ears clinging to the stalks. A raccoon or similar invader knocked a cob off the stalk and my dad peeled it open. “Still not ready to eat,” he reported.

I visited this past weekend and, late in September, the weather was still warm, although the days were shorter, that far north. I took the garden hose at the community garden and gave the corn a good watering, and I wondered if my parents would get any corn to eat.

While I had the hose out, I also watered the

rhubarb. My mother told me that folks said harvesting rhubarb late in the season prevented a good crop from being produced in the spring. But I could tell my mother was skeptical. She has been growing rhubarb almost all her life and knows a thing or two about rhubarb by now. She had given the last of her rhubarb to a friend and wanted to make one last batch of sauce, so we pulled out a pile of big, healthy stems, late in September, and brought them home. “I don’t think it hurts them a bit!” my mother said.

But the corn was not yet ready.

There was still corn at the corn stand. The farmers know what they’re doing, planting the corn very early and very late and keeping the sweet corn season going as long as possible. It made me hopeful that those cobs, even if they were a little small, might turn into something edible before the first frost.

On this last visit to the garden, I saw that most of the gardeners have packed up for the summer. They had pulled out the last of the beans and tomatoes and raked out their beds. They had piled cow manure on the top of their beds and taken off for Florida or Arizona. One of them was there while I was watering the corn.

“See you next year!” he told my parents.

My parents are still watering the corn. And I’m glad we planted it, no matter what happens.

Maybe nothing will come of it. Probably nothing will. But planting late corn has given us something to hope for. It’s like rooting for a losing team. It’s like starting a new dream late in life. I admire my parents for planting corn after the rhubarb was up and hoping for the best.

*Till next time,
Carrie*



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

I read a great deal about the evolution of early man. When I go to a museum, no matter the city, I enjoy seeing depictions of our ancestors with names like Rampithecus, Australopithecus, and my favorite, Samburupithecus. Even millions of years ago, people had cus words.

These representations are often life-size, showing them hunting, gathering, and occasionally cooking. The first thing the prehistoric man did two million years ago when he discovered fire was to try to put it out. It was already hot in Africa. Who needed it? This was years before Johnsonville Franks.

I have noticed in these museums that you never see prehistoric people smiling. Ever. They always look very grumpy. What’s to be grumpy about? No traffic, no outrageous prices at the supermarket, no tax deadlines. And especially the men. What’s their problem? Maybe their wives were driving them crazy? Go to your man cave.

According to an article I read recently in Prevention Magazine, prehistoric man had superior food, far richer in vitamins and minerals than modern-day fare. How beneficial could it have been? Those humans had a lifespan of only 22 years, which meant they never had to raise a teenager. So, it wasn’t stress that killed them. It was a wooly mammoth.

So, why were they unhappy? The author makes it clear: “Generations of agricultural manipulation took the medicine out of early man’s food.” So, prehistoric men ate strawberries that tasted like Lipitor. Yuk!. That would make me grumpy, too.

The writer is a bit obsessed with how corn

has diminished in nutritional value over the millennia. She claims that corn is much too sweet nowadays. (That’s a common complaint you hear at the farmers market on a Saturday morning.) The author instructs the reader on how *not* to cook corn, advising against “ripping off the husks, stripping the silk and putting the naked ears into the water.” This is the most risqué paragraph ever to appear in *Prevention*, besting by far Martha Stewart’s guest column: “Sex in Your Eighties.”

Other fruits and vegetables have also declined in nutritional value. An apple once had 100 times the antioxidants that most fruit has today. Sadly, someone has already eaten that apple. Adam lived to over 900, so don’t believe all that bad PR the apple got in the Old Testament.

The author says salad is today’s biggest loser. It must be prepared properly to ensure its full nutritional value. “Lettuce is our friend,” she claims. With friends like that, I don’t need kale. She recommends we pull the lettuce leaves apart, soak the leaves in water for 20 minutes, and spin them dry. Then, place them in a plastic bag with 20 evenly spaced pinpricks. Hi hate kale, but it’s starting to look better and better.

I asked Mary Ellen to tell me what she thought of the article. She was cautious in her assessment, not wanting to dissuade me from eating healthier food. “Dick, I don’t want you to think that I’m not anti antioxidants,” she told me. I have no idea what that sentence means, but I think four negatives make a positive.

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

Public Invited to State of Schools Speech



Photo courtesy Noblesville Schools

Noblesville Schools superintendent Dr. Dan Hile will present his annual report to the community at the State of the Schools luncheon on Wednesday. Tickets to attend the event are \$30 for Noblesville Chamber members and \$35 for guests. They can be purchased through the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce at <https://tinyurl.com/ydkuhcfb>. A video of his address will be made available to the public following the luncheon for those unable to attend.

Democrat Absentee Counters Needed in County

The Hamilton County Elections Office is in need of 11 Democrat Absentee Counters for second shift for Election Day on Tuesday, Nov. 5. This position would work at the Judicial Center in Noblesville from 3:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. The position pays \$120

and dinner is provided. The job involves working with a Republican absentee counter and opening the absentee ballots for counting. Please contact Beth Sheller at bethany.sheller@hamiltoncounty.in.gov or call at (317) 770-4414 to learn more.

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activities.” Our 18-year-old daughter, Addie McMillan, headed to the stage with play director, Barcia Alejos, to accept the award for the play, which featured Addie as the wedding singer who sang traditional pre-wedding songs of the era on stage as guests were being seated, so that guests would feel they were about to attend a wedding. “It was such a great opportunity to be able to sing and share my love of music to everyone, especially ‘50s love songs,” said Addie, who introduced Barcia. “We are so happy that we were able to have an entire environment in which you felt like you were coming to a wedding,” Barcia said.

Cavan Doyle, a 2024 Fishers High School grad who has performed alongside Addie in Belfry Apprentice Players youth productions, dressed as a groomsman and escorted guests to their seats. Wedding cake and mints were also available at the show.

“We had the great opportunity to perform in a venue that is a church. So, we were just thinking and brainstorming, ‘We can’t pass this opportunity up ...’ We just really wanted all of the patrons coming to experience a joyful event of a wedding.”

The Belfry, which took home eight awards, was among three Hamilton County community theaters earning 135 nominations and 34 awards for the 2023-24 theater season at the Encore Awards, which each fall awards the best of the best in community theater. Main Street Productions took home 12 awards for productions at Basile Westfield Playhouse, and Carmel Community Players took home 14 awards for productions based in Carmel.

In Westfield, Noblesville’s Jen Otterman took home Best Production of a Drama for Main Street Productions’ “That Championship Season,” directed by Lori Raffel of Carmel at Basile Westfield Playhouse. The play’s cast won Best Ensemble in a Play, and Kate Hinman of Westfield and cast won an award for Best Props for a Drama.

Jennifer Poynter of Carmel won Best Performance of a Leading Female Role in a Comedy for Main Street Productions’ “Inspecting Carol,” directed by Kelly Keller of Fishers. Jim Gryga won Best Performance of a Minor Supporting Role in a Comedy for the show. Thom Johnson of Westfield tied for Best Performance of a Major Supporting Male Role for Main Street Productions’ “Lost in Yonkers,” a show that earned Maggie Meier an award for Best Cameo in a Drama (tie), and Noblesville’s Drake Lockwood an award for Best Performer Under the Age of 18 in a Drama. The show also earned Linda Findley Grow of

McCordsville an award for Best Costumes for a Drama.

Noblesville’s Susan Hill won Best Cameo in a Comedy for “You Can’t Take it With You.” She admitted that the role, for which she had a handful of lines and allowed her to lie on the couch and chew on the furniture, was pretty great.

Jay Ganz of Fishers won an award for Best Set Design of a Musical for Main Street Productions’ “Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street,” directed by Andrea Odle and for which Noblesville’s Clay Howard won an award for Best Lighting Design for a Musical.

Carmel Community Players also took home some big awards, including Lori Raffel for Best Director of a Drama and Best Sound Board Operator of a Drama for “The Woman in Black,” for which Todd Isaac won Best Performance of a Leading Male Role in a Drama. Dave Muse, Raffel and Charlie Hanover won an award for Best Set Design for a Drama in a tie, and Raffel won an award for Best Set Decoration for a Drama in a tie in the show.

“Oh, Wow ... Thank you so much,” exclaimed Addie Taylor who went to the stage a second time, to receive a surprise award for Best Hair and Makeup for a Play for Carmel Community Players’ “Dinner Party.”

CCP’s “Violet” musical took home five awards. Scott Fleshood won Best Performance of a Major Supporting Male Role in a Musical, Darrin Gowan won Best Performance of a Minor Supporting Male Role in a Musical, Christine Sanserino of Carmel won Best Performance of a Minor Supporting Female Role in a Musical (tie) and Dom Piedmonte won Best Male Singer. “Violet” also won a Judge’s Special Award for “its use of time-spanning slides to help define the context of the show.”

In addition to the three Hamilton County community theaters’ 34 awards, young performers from the three theaters also won Rising Star awards: Kyle Gibbons and Mylee Stucky from The Belfry Theatre’s “Beauty and the Beast Jr.,” Lincoln Everitt and Carolyn Noneman from CCP’s “Anne of Green Gables,” and Camren Davis and Maile Alpizar from Main Street Productions’ “The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe.” The Belfry and CCP performed a snippet from each of their shows at the Encore Awards.

Also, Noblesville’s husband and wife team, Mike Mellott and Susan Hill, were awarded Best Set Decoration for a Comedy for Epilogue Players’ “Foolish Fishgirls and the Pearl.”

The Encore Association

is comprised of 11 nonprofessional, nonprofit community theaters.

Its board annually plays host to this awards ceremony recognizing excellence from the previous theatrical season. A committee of judges view productions and select nominees. This year, there were more than 70 award categories presented.

Visit Encore Association.net for a full list of winners and web links to member community theaters with their current seasons.

-Betsy Reason writes about people, places and things in Hamilton County. Contact The Times Editor Betsy Reason at betsy@thetimes24-7.com.



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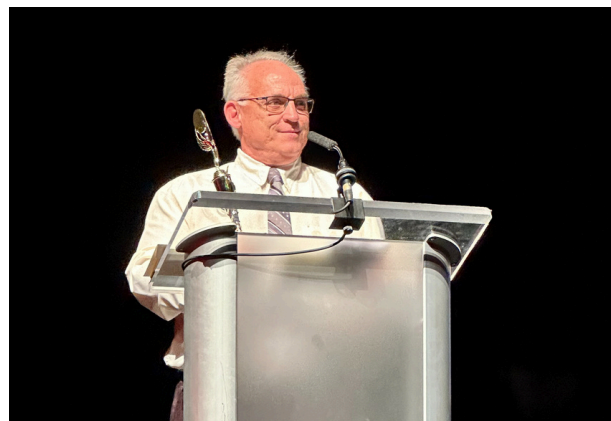
Nicole Amsler of Noblesville was awarded Best Director of a Comedy and Best Production of a Comedy with co-producer Tom Smith (right) of Westfield for The Belfry Theatre’s “How the Other Half Loves” comedy during Encore Association’s 55th annual Encore Awards last Monday.



Mason Odle of Noblesville won Encore Association’s Best Performance of a Leading Male Role for The Belfry Theatre’s “One Man, Two Guvnors,” directed by his wife Andrea Odle.



Drake Lockwood of Noblesville was awarded Encore Association’s Best Performer Under the Age of 18 in a Drama for Main Street Productions’ play, “Lost in Yonkers” at Basile Westfield Playhouse.



Thom Johnson of Westfield tied for Best Performance of a Major Supporting Male Role for Main Street Productions’ “Lost in Yonkers” at Basile Westfield Playhouse.



Jay Ganz (left) of Fishers won an award for Best Set Design of a Musical for Main Street Productions’ “Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street,” directed by Andrea Odle and for which Noblesville’s Clay Howard (right) won an award for Best Lighting Design for a Musical.



Noblesville’s husband and wife team, Mike Mellott and Susan Hill, were thrilled to win Best Set Decoration for a Comedy for Epilogue Players’ “Foolish Fishgirls and the Pearl” at the 55th annual Encore Awards last Monday.



A Judge’s Special Award from the Encore Association was awarded to The Belfry and “Father of the Bride,” for enhancing the audience’s experience with its pre-show activities.” Wedding singer Addie McMillan (right) and director Barcia Alejos (second from right) accepted the award for the show which featured a large cast (above) that received a half dozen Encore nominations.



Noblesville’s Jen Otterman took home Best Production of a Drama for Main Street Productions’ “That Championship Season” at Basile Westfield Playhouse.

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 Five-time Grammy-winning tabla virtuoso Zakir Hussain returns to the Center in a duo with Rahul Sharma, master of the *santoor*, a 100-stringed hammered dulcimer common to India's Jammu and Kashmir region. Their tour pays tribute to Sharma's father, the late Shivkumar Sharma, a longtime Hussain collaborator credited with introducing the traditional folk instrument to Indian classical music. Hussain, considered one of the greatest tabla players of all time, is well-known in the West for his collaborations with rock, jazz and classical musicians. He is the founder and president of Moment! Records, an independent label presenting rare live concert recordings of Indian and world music.

The Magic of Michael Grandinetti: Experience the Magic
2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2
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Tickets from \$25
Old Town Family Series
 Enjoy an unforgettable time with master illusionist Michael Grandinetti, star of NBC and CW TV specials and series, as he combines jaw-dropping magic with audience participation to create an interactive experience that pulls you right into the show. Classic magic plots of levitation, teleportation, mind reading and more are reimagined for today's audiences, making them more visual, more surprising and more astounding than ever before. Don't miss the chance to be amazed by the performer named by *Forbes* as one of today's top magicians, in a show that's perfect for the entire family.

Boney James: Slow Burn Tour
8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2
The Palladium
Tickets from \$35
Drewry Simmons Vornehm Jazz Series
 Saxophonist and composer Boney James returns to the Palladium for an evening of R&B-inflected jazz. James was a sideman for such artists as Morris Day and the Isley Brothers before launching a solo career that has sent 11 albums to the top of Billboard's Contemporary Jazz Albums chart. Among other honors in the course of his career, he has received a Soul Train Award, four Grammy Award nominations and three NAACP Image Award nominations. His new release, *Slow Burn*, includes contributions from singer-songwriter October London, bassist Marcus Miller, trumpeter Rick Braun and keyboardist Cory Henry.

The Piano Guys
4 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9
The Palladium
Tickets from \$55
Printing Partners Encore Series
 The Piano Guys are pianist Jon Schmidt and cellist Steven Sharp Nelson, whose repertoire includes mashups of classical selections, pop tunes, film scores and original compositions. Joined by videographer Paul Anderson and music producer Al van der Beek, they launched a YouTube channel in 2011 that has drawn more than 7 million subscribers with videos often featuring the players in exotic settings. Their first eight major-label studio albums reached No. 1 on Billboard's classical and/or new age charts. Don't miss this chance to see them live in concert!

Buckets N Boards
5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17
The Palladium
Tickets: \$25 (\$15 youth)
Old Town Family Series
 Buckets N Boards is a hilarious and high-energy show full of amazing percussion, ridiculous songs, spectacular tap dancing, inventive instrumentation and an incredible variety of musical talent. Matthew Levingston and Gareth Sever have crafted a fresh and unique clean comedy experience for the entire family to enjoy. Buckets N Boards has toured the world and is one of the top requested headlining acts for Disney Cruise Lines. A free matinee performance for school groups is scheduled for Nov. 18.

An Evening with Leslie Odom Jr.
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22
The Palladium
Tickets from \$45
Printing Partners Encore Series
 Leslie Odom Jr. is a Tony- and Grammy-winning, three-time Emmy and two-time Oscar-nominated vocalist, songwriter, actor and bestselling author. Since his breakout role as Aaron Burr in the hit musical *Hamilton*, he has performed to sold-out crowds at venues including the Kennedy Center in D.C., Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles, and Lincoln Center in New York City. As a recording artist, he has released five full-length albums, including 2023's *When A Crooner Dies*, a collection of 10 original tracks. He was named to Time magazine's list of the 100 Most Influential People of 2024. His local visit also will include a free matinee performance for school groups.

Canadian Brass
8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23
The Palladium
Tickets from \$35
Holiday Series
 On opening day of the Carmel Christkindlmarkt on the Center's campus, experience the vibrant spirit of the season with

Canadian Brass as they perform a lively blend of German brass music and holiday favorites. Immerse yourself in the rich melodies and lively rhythms that celebrate the essence of the German musical tradition, ranging from Bach to treasured holiday songs. Led by founder Chuck Daellenbach on tuba, the ensemble comprises Joe Burgstaller and Ashley Hall-Tighe (trumpets), Achilles Liarmakopoulos (trombone) and Jeff Nelsen (horn). Prepare to be dazzled by the renowned ensemble's unique blend of virtuosic talent, lively showmanship and infectious energy.

Dionne Warwick
7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24
The Palladium
Tickets from \$55
Hoosier Village & The Barrington of Carmel Songbook Series
 Dionne Warwick is a six-time Grammy-winning music legend who has charted more than 75 hit songs and sold over 100 million records. Discovered by songwriters Burt Bacharach and Hal David in 1961, she went on to record 18 consecutive Top 100 singles, including "Walk On By," "I Say a Little Prayer," "I'll Never Fall in Love Again," "Alfie," "Heartbreaker," "Déjà Vu" and "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?" In 1985, she participated in recording "That's What Friends Are For," a global hit that generated support for AIDS research, as well as the all-star hunger charity single "We Are the World." She received the Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award in 2019 and was just inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

OTHER NOVEMBER EVENTS INCLUDE:
Peanut Butter & Jam: Mariachi Music and Dance
10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23
The Studio Theater
Tickets: \$10 per child, includes up to two free adult admissions
 Join Mariachi Sol Jalisciense de Indianapolis for a taste of music and dance from the Mexican state of Jalisco. This wonderfully talented group of musicians brings these traditional sounds to life through its lively performances. **Designed for children ages 1-7, Peanut Butter & Jam sessions engage young children in the arts.**

Luminaries: A Life of Art with Gregory Glade Hancock
2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26
The Studio Theater
Tickets: \$10, includes light refreshments
 Gregory Glade Hancock is Executive Director of Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre, the resident professional dance company at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts. He will share his journey through a life of art, relating stories of how he surrounds himself with art and how he has taken personal experiences and challenges and transformed them into beauty. He will also discuss his creative process and how he draws inspiration from the world around him.

Heights' Superintendent Shares Update



DR. ARROWOOD
 Guest Columnist

National School Bus Safety Week took place last week and presented a special opportunity to remind motorists to slow down and be aware of their surroundings when encountering school buses in the community. While school buses are one of the safest modes of transportation, injuries and fatalities often occur when a motorist fails to slow down and obey the bus's stop sign. For more information, including tips to share with your children on school bus safety, visit the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's [website](#).

While we are on the topic of bus safety, I want to thank our elite team of school bus drivers who travel thousands of miles, often in adverse weather conditions and through unpredictable traffic, to transport our most precious cargo to and from school and school-sanctioned events. Their commitment to safety, hard work, and vigilance to the students entrusted to our care is valued, appreciated, and noticed.

October is also Bullying Prevention Month. Throughout the month, we focus our attention and efforts to raising awareness about the detrimental effects of bullying and how we can foster a safe, inclusive, and respectful school environment for all students. The goal is to

empower students, parents, and staff to recognize and combat bullying behaviors. By promoting empathy, kindness, and open dialogue, we can help create a culture where every student feels valued and protected, ensuring a brighter and more secure educational experience for everyone. Use our confidential quick tip line to report bullying or safety concerns [here](#).

Hamilton Heights Middle School students are welcome to invite a veteran they know (family, friend, neighbor, etc.) to school for a special luncheon in the Media Center on Friday, Nov. 8. Students will be permitted to eat with their invited guest.

On Monday, Nov. 11, Hamilton Heights Elementary School will be hosting a special Veteran's Day celebration. All veterans are welcome to attend the elementary school program beginning at 9:30 a.m. As part of bringing our community and family veterans together to be honored for their service, we are looking for veterans (active member of the military or retired) who would like to come to the school and read a veteran's book to students in K-2nd grade classrooms before the program.

In addition, a commemorative video is being made for

veterans with relatives attending or working at HHES. If you would like to be included, send an email with your name, branch of the military, years of service, and name of student or staff member in which you are related to HHES veteransdaypictures@gmail.com by Monday, Nov. 4. Thank you today and every day for your sacrifice and service to our country.

For a ghoulish good time, Hamilton Heights High School FFA is hosting its second annual Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, Oct. 30 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the high school parking lot.

As a reminder Friday is the second of our scheduled e-Learning days this year. Students do not report to school but will have their lessons and assignments to complete for the day. We appreciate our students and families preparing to help maximize the value of this off-campus education day.

As we move into the second nine weeks, let's continue to work together to ensure an inclusive, safe, supportive, and academically enriching environment where our students can thrive. #WeAreHuskies

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

Lions Celebrate Halloween



Photo courtesy Noblesville Lions

At a recent meeting of the Noblesville Lions Club, they celebrated Halloween with eight members showing up as favorite characters! Led by the club Tail Twister Lion Josh Kozicki, the club was timed in completing a crossword puzzle in Halloween words. Winners won candy bars! Take a look at the photo and see how many Noblesville Lions you may know?!

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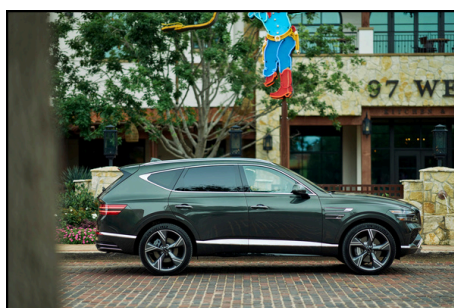
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2025 Genesis GV80 3.5T is the Luxury Crossover with a Touch of British Flair



CASEY WILLIAMS
Auto Reviews

Many of us would love to drive a Bentley Bentayga luxury crossover, but virtually none of us will ever rise to a station in life to afford one. Its big mesh grille, gleaming headlamps, chiseled bodysides, and giant wheels convey a sense of presence and potential. While I completely get it is no Bentley, the 2025 Genesis GV80 has just a touch of that panache to make you feel and look special.

And, it is clearly a Genesis with its large chrome mesh grille flanked by more chrome and four strands of tiny LED headlamps. The side view presents a strong shoulderline, gently sloping roof, a sweep of chrome to break up the lower bodysides, and upturned rear window – all planted over 22”

wheels. Faux front fender vents hint at The Old World, but are not the best work of Genesis’ talented designers. A wide concave plaque across the foot-operated hatch connects the GV80 to other Genesis models with thin lighting elements and GENESIS spelled in chrome.

Get inside. You may first notice the 22” OLED dash screen, but your eyes will soon acknowledge diamond-stitched Nappa leather seats, matte finish wood, and microfiber headliner...just like a Bentley. But, you might also enjoy Bang & Olufsen audio, panoramic sunroof, heated/ventilated front seats, and tri-zone automatic climate control. Even the steering wheel and front armrests are heated. Rear seats power adjust too. Wireless Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, and console charging

keep devices connected. It all works well, though it’s easy to confuse the gear selector with the infotainment controller – nothing like putting your car into satellite radio instead of reverse.

Check the safety list and you may suspect some latent Swedish heritage. A head-up display seemingly hovers over the hood to keep speed, navigation, and safety status in eyesight, but there’s also adaptive cruise, automatic emergency braking, lane keep assist, and rear cross path detection with braking. Add to that a digital rearview mirror, rear seat reminder, and Safe Exit Assist that keeps passengers from stepping into traffic.

There’s no V-12 engine beneath the bonnet, but our GV80 runs the asphalt rapids with a 3.5-liter twin-turbo V6 engine that tickles the all-wheel-drive system

with a stout 375 horsepower and 391 lb.-ft. of torque. An eight-speed automatic transmission keeps the engine in the right range to deliver wonton power wherever you request it, but it comes at the price of fuel economy: 16/22-MPG city/highway.

The Brits have never been just about surging power. Riding in a Bentley or Jaguar is about the serenity of seemingly butter smooth roads and hushed crowds beyond the vehicle’s confines. In the same spirit, the GV80 is near silent inside – whether rolling up to a drive-through or slapping down miles on the Interstate. An electronic suspension and adjustable drive modes let pilots control the level of comfort or sportiness for the chassis, steering, and throttle response. Even the seat tightens its bolsters when it detects you want to play.

The GV80 is no Bentley, but it is a very gratifying way to travel. Every part of it reeks of style, performance, and pleasure. And while it doesn’t carry a sticker to match upper crust Brits, it isn’t cheap either. Base models start at \$57,700, but our Prestige trim came to a loftier \$81,300. At that, competitors include the

BMW X5, Mercedes-Benz GLE, Audi Q5, Lincoln Nautilus, and if you want to go all-electric, the Cadillac Lyriq.

Storm Forward!

Send comments to Casey at AutoCasey@aol.com; follow him on YouTube @AutoCasey.

- Likes**
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Indiana's Average Teacher Pay Surpasses \$60,000



JIM BUCK
Guest Columnist

Teachers play a vital role in our communities, and it is important they are compensated fairly for the work they do with young Hoosiers.

Nearly four years ago, the Next Level Teacher Compensation Commission recommended the goal of increasing the average statewide teacher salary to \$60,000. I'm pleased to share Indiana recently met that goal.

According to a recent report from the state, the average annual salary for teachers in

Indiana hit \$60,557 during the 2023-24 school year. With benefits added in, the average teacher compensation in Indiana is nearly \$80,000.

I'm also pleased to share that, in Indiana, the total compensation for all teachers has surpassed \$5 billion and 98% of school districts gave teachers a raise last year.

Teacher pay is set locally, but at the Statehouse, I was happy to support a new law in 2023 that ensures at least 62% of schools' state tuition support is used for teacher salaries and benefits.

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School Board Member Endorses Dawson, Hanley and Helvey

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Dear Editor, I am serving my fourth year on the Noblesville School Board and I have experienced first hand the work that it takes to do the job I was elected to do. The scope of work includes the monthly School Board meetings, committee meetings, work sessions, executive sessions, along with attending miscellaneous meetings and community activities. Professional development meetings, seminars, and conferences are sponsored by the Indiana School Board Association for school board members. These professional development opportunities are available throughout the year along with the annual two-day School Board Conference held at the Convention Center each fall. It is unfortunate that two incumbents running for re-election did not participate in the professional development offered by ISBA for most of the first two years.

Dawson, Hanley and Helvey are conservative running for Noblesville School Board and will embrace these opportunities and responsibilities while asking questions to seek more information about their role and the topics presented to them. It takes true stamina and determination to put in the time that is needed to examine, research, ask questions, and learn more about the information presented to school board members and to take additional time for professional development.

Dawson, Hanley and Helvey are focused on academic achievement for ALL students. The 2024 ILearn results indicate that only 54 percent of Noblesville students in grades 3-8 are proficient in English Language Arts while only

51 percent are proficient in Math. This is not acceptable to our community. These students are our future workforce, educators, business owners and leaders. We can do better. Additionally, they will NOT be rubber stampers like the current incumbents seeking re-election. Dawson, Hanley, and Helvey will look at all options and weigh data presented to them on all topics including referenda and will not kowtow to special interest people or groups.

The current school board members running for re-election have already publicly announced that they will be in favor of a future referendum without even knowing what the referendum money would pay for or how much it will add to already inflated property taxes. These incumbents running for re-election are supported by ISTA Indiana State Teachers Association/union and the Noblesville Teachers Forum/union. Both organizations are liberal. The support by ISTA (I-PACE is the political action committee for ISTA) can be verified by their campaign finance reports that show the donations made to the incumbents here Campaign Finance Index.

It takes bold leadership and 100 percent commitment to focus on academic achievement, bonds, budgets, policies and other issues that the school board will confront. This is why I endorse conservatives Dawson, Hanley, and Helvey for Noblesville School Board, it's time for a change that will benefit students, teachers and the community.

Laura Alerding
Noblesville

Reader Likes Crosser, Lambert and Richardson

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Dear Editor, During this presidential election year, we cannot lose sight of what matters in our own backyard. I grew up in this city, attending Noblesville Schools for K-12. My husband Scott and I raised two daughters here, who are now young adults and teachers nearby. As a local business owner with my brother for decades, we run T&T Sales and Promotions, and we support our school system in multiple ways. I respect others who do the same in this community I love.

Christi Crosser, Stephanie Lambert, and Bret Richardson are the kind of people that show up for our schools. Not just for the Friday night games, but also for the performing arts, mentoring programs and more.

All three also serve on the Noblesville Schools Education Foundation. Richardson is the current president; Crosser was the original school board liaison who chose to continue serving even after her term ended; and Lambert is the current school board liaison. Their willingness to raise funds for our teachers' and students'

projects shows their dedication even beyond the daily demands of serving on the school board.

Along with their commitment to our schools, you will see these three individuals supporting just about every charitable cause in this town. I see them helping with events by Main Street, the Porch Music Festival, Riverview Foundation, Prevail and the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce, to name a few. To be honest, I had never even heard of the other three candidates running for school board before this election. If they are out supporting this community, I am not seeing them.

Perhaps their absence in community efforts is an indicator of their intentions. Are they running to support our community and they schools or to serve their own political motivations? Crosser, Lambert and Richardson (CLR) are not bringing politics into the board room. They are here to serve our schools and community in a harmonious way.

Laurie Dyer
Noblesville

Another Reader Backs Dawson, Hanley, Helvey

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Dear Editor, This year's election is bringing many voters to the polls for early voting. Of course, the fact that it is a Presidential election adds major interest to this election season. However, there are other important contests throughout the state, Hamilton County, and the city of Noblesville.

One contest that is close to the heads and hearts for the parents of school age children is the election of School Board members to the Noblesville School Board. They have questions. One of them concerns the effectiveness of the curriculum being used. Does it offer the students the best educational opportunity we can give them? If it is good, then why are Noblesville students not performing at a level of accomplishment commensurate with the other large school systems in Hamilton County? Why does our school system rank fourth of the six school systems in the county?

Some voters are primarily interested in the School Board

election as taxpayers who want to be sure their tax dollars are being wisely appropriated and have some concerns regarding this.

If our dollars are being wisely spent and teachers are being supplied with all they need to teach, then why aren't the results of statewide evaluations showing it?

Dave Dawson, Alison Hanley, and Brad Helvey are poised to look with openness. They have every reason to look at the issues facing our schools with eyes wide open and ready to discern the most effective ways to move forward.

Those who developed the current system have no incentive to make the changes necessary for improvement. They are satisfied with their decisions and the fourth place we hold in the county.

For Better Noblesville Schools - Vote Dawson, Hanley and Helvey for Noblesville School Board!

Yvonne Irish
Noblesville

Reader Critical of Administration Response

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Dear Editor, Most recently the southeastern part of our country experienced a devastating destruction of their communities from the horrendous effects of Hurricane Helene that included North Carolina, Eastern Tennessee, Georgia and Florida. In North Carolina and Tennessee, the damage was immense with the mountain people losing everything. Their houses simply floated away down the river from mud slides from so much rain and wind. This was an anomaly.

Biden and Harris visited the area and she told the devastated individuals and families they could apply for \$750 on the internet which is a disgusting amount of funds being offered. Let me remind you, you can't do this without available WIFI or electricity. Three women who were interviewed said they were denied esp. if they had homeowners insurance and most likely their current income amount. Denied! Also rumored was FEMA was not helping these people and they and some county sheriffs told the out of state volunteers who came in planes, helicopters and by vehicle they had to turn away or be arrested. Arrested! For helping other Americans in dire shape.

Yet the Biden / Harris regime has been financing illegal aliens rent money, funds to

purchase cars, food and health care who now reside all across our country. These invaders are being subsidized by the American taxpayers and FEMA implied there are no funds to help our suffering Americans in the southeastern part of our country let alone the many homeless all across our country.

Kamala admitted in an on-line video that this is how the new equity works. Only the unprivileged will be considered. The mountain people were not deserving enough to receive the large amounts of money needed to help them rebuild or just enough at the onset to recoup from a horrendous storm? This is how equity is discriminating within our country. Our government steals from one group to support another non-citizen group. I wait to see if any forth coming financial help will be given to the hurting people in the southeastern part of our country.

And to note - the difference between equality and equity is: **Equality** is treating everyone the same, while **equity** is treating everyone fairly according to their needs. The mountain people definitely have an enormous NEED.

Mari Briggs
Sheridan



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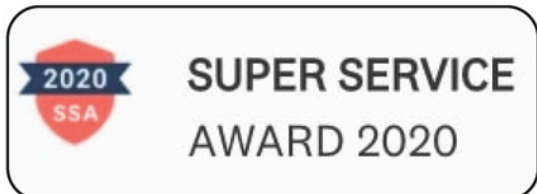
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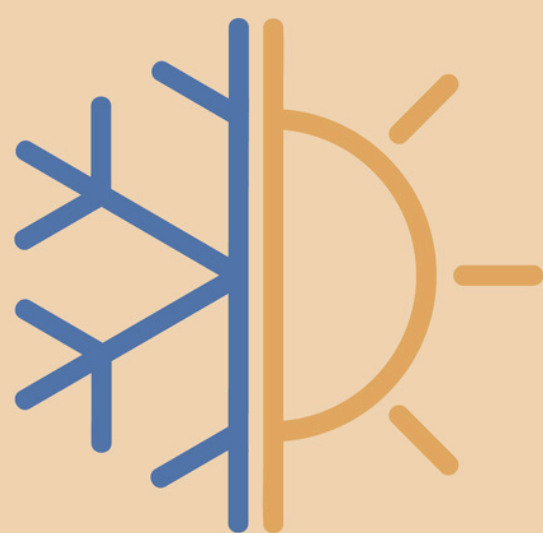
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#2 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION RC-45-24, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WESTFIELD AND THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE REGARDING THE NOBLESVILLE CITY COURT (JONATHAN HUGHES)

PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED ORDINANCES

#50-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #50-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 25.68 ACRES AT 12484 EAST 156TH STREET IN NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOYCEANN YELTON)

#51-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #51-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 27 ACRES IN THE 11100 – 11200 BLOCK OF GREENFIELD AVENUE, NORTH SIDE, EAST OF PROMISE ROAD IN NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOYCEANN YELTON)

#52-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #52-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 19 ACRES IN THE 17200-17300 BLOCK OF HAZEL DELL ROAD, WEST SIDE, IN NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOYCEANN YELTON)

#53-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #53-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY THREE ACRES AT 5263 EAST 156TH STREET IN NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOYCEANN YELTON)

#54-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #54-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 52 ACRES IN THE 19500 – 19600 BLOCK OF PROMISE ROAD, WEST SIDE, IN NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOYCEANN YELTON)

#55-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #55-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 42 ACRES IN THE 17100 – 17300 BLOCK OF HAZEL DELL ROAD, EAST SIDE, IN NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOYCEANN YELTON)

#56-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #56-09-24, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE 2025 BUDGET, AS AMENDED (JEFFREY SPALDING)

#57-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #57-09-24, A SALARY ORDINANCE FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE FOR 2025 (HOLLY RAMON)

#58-09-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #58-09-24, A SALARY ORDINANCE FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE FOR 2025 (HOLLY RAMON)

#59-10-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #59-10-24, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND THE SALE OF SHORT-TERM BOND OF THE CITY, SERIES A, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO BE USED FOR THE COSTS OF CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS (JEFFREY SPALDING)

#60-10-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #60-10-24, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS SHORT-TERM GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND OF 2024, SERIES A, AS AMENDED (JEFFREY SPALDING)

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE #60-10-24, AS AMENDED

#61-10-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #61-10-24, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND THE SALE OF SHORT-TERM BOND OF THE CITY, SERIES B, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO BE USED FOR THE COSTS OF CERTAIN ROAD AND STREET PROJECTS (JEFFREY SPALDING)

#62-10-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #62-10-24, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS SHORT-TERM GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND OF 2024, SERIES B, AS AMENDED (JEFFREY SPALDING)

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE #62-10-24, AS AMENDED

NEW ORDINANCES FOR DISCUSSION

#64-10-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE 64-10-24, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA TO FUND ITS “TAXABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVENUE NOTE, SERIES 2024 (KITTLER PROPERTY PROJECT)” AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS IN RESPECT THERETO (SARAH REED)

#65-10-24 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE #65-10-24, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE LOCAL ROAD AND STREET FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A SHOP TRUCK FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT, AND ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEARING (TOM MACDONALD)

#3 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION RC-43-24, A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE MAXIMUM CIVIL CITY PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR 2025 AND AUTHORIZING THE CONTROLLER TO REQUEST THE RATE BE RATIFIED BY THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (JEFFREY SPALDING)

#4 COUNCIL TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION RC-44-24, A RESOLUTION APPROVING (1) A DECLARATORY RESOLUTION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ESTABLISHING THE FINCH CREEK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA AND (2) THE ORDER OF THE PLAN COMMISSION (AMY SMITH)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

NOBLESVILLE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2024 – 9:00 AM

PROPOSED AGENDA CITY HALL Council Chamber

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PETITIONS OR COMMENTS BY CITIZENS WHO ARE PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BID OPENING: FLASHER SIGN REPLACEMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

FOR APPROVAL

#1 APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM: OCTOBER 15, 2024

#2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 15, 2024

#3 BOARD TO CONSIDER RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY IMPROVEMENTS (SIDEWALK) AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE BOND FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY IMPROVEMENTS FOR PAULY JAIL (JUSTIN HUBBARD)

#4 BOARD TO CONSIDER RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND FOR EROSION CONTROL FOR APPLIED INTELLIGENCE (JUSTIN HUBBARD)

#5 BOARD TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF PERFORMANCE BONDS FOR COMMON SIDEWALK AND MONUMENTATION; ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE BONDS FOR STONE, HMA BASE, HMA INTERMEDIATE, HMA SURFACE, CURBS, PATH, SUBSURFACE DRAINS, STORM SEWER, AND

SANITARY SEWER; AND ACCEPTANCE OF SECONDARY PLAT FOR SILO RIDGE, SECTION 4 (JUSTIN HUBBARD)

CONTRACTS/PURCHASES UNDER \$50,000 (APPROVED BY MAYOR OR DIRECTOR)

#6 AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH STUDIO M ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING FOR DESIGN AND PLANNING AT 8TH AND PLEASANT STREETS (ANDREW MURRAY)

#7 SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BLADES AUDIO VIDEO SECURITY FOR REPAIRS TO DOWNTOWN STEREO (AARON HEAD)

#8 SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN TRAIN COMPANY FOR 2024 CAROUSEL INSPECTION (SAVANNAH WINES)

#9 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB FOR FALL BREAK TRANSPORTATION AND INDOOR PICKLEBALL (WENDY STREMLAW)

#10 SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CROWN HAVEN CENTER FOR 2024 HOLIDAY CARRIAGE RIDES (ERIN HINSHAW)

#11 SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH AMAZING ATHLETES FOR TOTS AT PLAY PROGRAM (PARKER IRWIN)

#12 SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH AMAZING ATHLETES FOR 2024 FALL BREAK CAMP ATHLETIC PROGRAMMING (PARKER IRWIN)

NEW ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

#1 BOARD TO CONSIDER PURCHASE OF HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT FOR LADDER TRUCK 73 (ASSISTANT CHIEF URIAH EDDINGFIELD)

#2 BOARD TO CONSIDER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PRATER AND SONS CONCRETE FOR WORK AT FIRE STATION 72 (DEPUTY CHIEF MURRY DIXON)

#3 BOARD TO CONSIDER AN AGREEMENT WITH PREVENTION INSIGHTS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT (EMS DIVISION CHIEF JAMES MACKY)

#4 BOARD TO CONSIDER LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BLUESKY TECHNOLOGY FOR OFFICE SPACE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT (MATT LIGHT)

#5 BOARD TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION RB-46-24, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH LEVY (JONATHAN HUGHES)

#6 BOARD TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION RB-47-24, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH REV ENTERTAINMENT (JONATHAN HUGHES)

#7 BOARD TO CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH APEX BENEFITS (HOLLY RAMON)

#8 BOARD TO CONSIDER A FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT FOR 848 LOGAN STREET (AARON HEAD)

#9 BOARD TO CONSIDER THE RENEWAL OF THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF TWO PARKING SPACES FOR VALET PARKING AT THE COURTHOUSE CLUB (RENÉ GULLEY)

#10 BOARD TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION RB-48-24, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SPECIAL PURCHASE FOR RENEWAL OF THE CITYWORKS LICENSING AGREEMENT (MIKE MORRIS)

#11 BOARD TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION RB-49-24 ON RECOMMENDATION TO PROCEED WITH PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR SLUDGE PROCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (JONATHAN MIRGEAUX)

#12 BOARD TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN STRUCTUREPOINT FOR LIFT STATION 2 PUMP REPLACEMENT (JONATHAN MIRGEAUX)

#13 BOARD TO CONSIDER CHANGE ORDER #2 AND PROJECT CLOSE-OUT FOR NICKEL PLATE TRAIL (EN-346-06) (ANDREW RODEWALD)

ADJOURNMENT

NOBLESVILLE SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA / REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER BOARD ROOM

18025 River Road

Noblesville, Indiana

Tuesday, October 29, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The items on this agenda are being addressed with the best interests of Noblesville Schools' students as the prime consideration.

I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MOMENT OF SILENCE

II. SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT HEARING

§ Superintendent Contract Presentation

§ Public Comment re: Contract

§ Superintendent Contract

III. RECOGNITIONS

§ NWMS Girls Golf

§ NWMS 8th Grade Volleyball

§ NWMS 7th Grade Football

§ NWMS Girls Cross Country

§ Hare Teacher Spotlight / Hinkle Creek Elementary School

IV. REPORTS

§ Building Spotlight / Hinkle Creek Elementary School

Jack Lawrence, Principal

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA TOPICS

The purpose of this comment period is to allow the public an opportunity to share input with the

Board about current agenda topics, pursuant to Policy H225, Public

Comments and Concerns.

VI. CONSENT

By single motion, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions which reflect application

of Board Policy and Indiana Code. Any items marked “Consent” may be

moved from the list at the

option of a board member or the superintendent and acted on separately.

§ Claims

§ Donations

§ Minutes / September 2024

§ Out-of-State Trips

§ Personnel

VII. ACTION

By individual motions, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions which reflect

application of Board Policy and Indiana Code.

§ Background Checks

§ NHS New Course Additions

§ 2025 Budget Adoption

§ Noblesville Schools Strategic Plan

§ Bids / NHS Air Handler Replacement Project

§ Stop-Loss Coverage

§ Medical Insurance

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – NON-AGENDA TOPICS

The purpose of this comment period is to allow the public an opportunity to share input with the

Board about non-agenda topics, pursuant to Policy H225, Public Comments and Concerns.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

X. ADJOURNMENT

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE HAMILTON COUNTY BUSINESSES!

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