## MONDAY

March 3, 2025

**Building new clean energy will** lower Hoosiers' bills & protect grid reliability.





#### **TODAY'S VERSE**

John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

### Hamilton Happenings

Noblesville Schools is partnering with Carmel Clay Schools, Hamilton Southeastern Schools. Westfield Washington Schools and Zionsville Community Schools to host upcoming teacher recruiting fairs on March 5 (5-7 p.m.) at the Carmel Educational Services Center and March 12 (5-7 p.m.) at the Noblesville Schools Community Center. It's a great chance for teachers to talk with some of the very top schools in the state about jobs.

# Three Things

#### You Should Know

- The Indiana Legislature is considering legislation that would take public notices out of Indiana newspapers, taking away an important check and balance that newspapers and the government have worked with for decades. Hoosier newspapers think this is a step too far and are organizing an Indiana Newspaper Rally Day at the Indiana Statehouse on March 19 at 11 a.m. and are inviting the public to join in. The Times is a proud participant and would love to hear from readers who might be interested in going! Please email publisher Tim Timmons for more details if you like. You can reach him at ttimmons@thetimes24-7.com
- Our friends at HostingAdvice surveyed 3,002 respondents to find out which websites employees visit first thing in the morning and found that 56 percent of Hoosiers log on to sports web sites. About one in five admitted to checking social media and about the same amount said they browsed online sales in places like Amazon or eBay. Only 3% actually checked sites related to their work. Shockingly, more than half said they wouldn't feel embarrassed if their boss could see their browser history. Only 7% said they'd be mortified and look for a new job immediately! Why are we not surprised!
- Registration for the annual Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) workshop, which is open to women ages 18 and older, is open now. This year's BOW workshop will be held May 2-4, at Ross Camp in West Lafayette. BOW is designed for women to learn outdoor skills in a relaxed, low-pressure environment. Participants will choose four activities from more than two dozen offerings, including fishing, archery, geocaching, wildlife tracking, shooting muzzleloader firearms, and outdoor cooking.



**NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA** 



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! Welcome to the Merry Month of March – yes, it should be the Merry Month of May (as Julie Andrews

sang in the wonderful musical Camelot). But we think it's Merry because spring officially arrives this month – as does Hoosier Hysteria, i.e., the boys basketball sectionals. And yes, we know it could snow then – at least according to Hoosier lore, but the warming trend is here and we can at long last start to say so long to Old Man Winter!

#### **12 degrees**

The average temperature on the first day of March is 46, and the average on March 31 is 58. The average for the month is right in the middle



The Power of 3 The month of March is the third month of the year.

For those into numerology, three is all about creativity, joy and self expression!



We all know there are too many holidays in today's world. March is no exception. Here are just some of the ones we found: Mar. 1: National Peanut

Butter Lover's Day, World Compliment Day, National Pig Day Day, International Women of Color Day, National Fruit Compote Day Mar. 2: Dr. Seuss's Birthday, National Read Across America Day, National Old Stuff Day, World Teen Mental Wellness Day Mar. 3: National Anthem Day, National Mulled Wine Day, World Wildlife Day, World Tennis Day Mar. 4: Mardi Gras, National Pound Cake Day, National Snack Day Mar. 5: National Cheese Doodle Day, Ash Wednesday Mar. 6: National Dentists Day, National Dress Day, National Frozen Food Day, National Oreo Cookie Day, National White Chocolate Cheesecake Day Mar. 7: National Cereal Day, National Flapjack Day, National Day of Unplugging, Employee Appreciation Day, Sock Monkey Day Mar. 8: International Women's Day, National Peanut Cluster Day, National Proofreading Day, National Retro Video Game Day Mar. 9: Daylight Savings, National American Paddlefish Day, National Barbie Day, National Get Over It Day, National Meatball Day Mar. 10: National Napping Day, National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, National Ranch Day, National Skirt Day Mar. 11: National Johnny Appleseed Day, National Napping Day, National Promposal Day, World Plumbing Day Mar. 12: National Girl Scout Day, Working Moms Day, National No Smoking Day Mar. 13: Purim, Popcorn Lover's Day, National Earmuff Day, National Good Samaritan Day, National Jewel Day, National K9 Veterans Day, World Kidney Day Mar. 14: Celebrate Scientists Day, International Day of Mathematics, National Children's Craft Day, National Pi Day, National Potato Chip Day, National Write Your Story Day Mar. 15: Ides of March, World Sleep Day, National Corn Dog Day, National Quilting Day Mar. 16: National Artichoke Day, National Panda Day, National Vaccination Day Mar. 17: National Corned Beef and Cabbage Day, St. Patrick's Day Mar. 18: Global Recycling Day, National Awkward Moments Day, National Sloppy Joe Day, Transit Driver Appreciation Day Mar. 19: International Read to Me Day, National Backyard Day, National Certified Nurses Day, National Chocolate Caramel Day, National Let's Laugh Day, National Poultry Day Mar. 20: Spring Equinox, International Day of Happiness, National Proposal Day, National Rayioli Day, World Flour Day, World Oral Health Day, World Storytelling Day Mar. 21: International Color Day, National Common Courtesy Day, National Crunchy Taco Day, National French Bread Day, World Down Syndrome Day, World Poetry Day, National Flower Day Mar. 22: International Day of the Seal, National Goof Off Day, World Water Day, World Maths Day Mar. 23: Cuddly Kitten Day, National Chia Day, National Chip and Dip Day, National Puppy Day, National Tamale Day, World Meteorological Day Mar. 24: National Cheesesteak Day, National Chocolate Covered Raisin Day, National Cocktail Day, World Tuberculosis Day Mar. 25: Tolkien Reading Day, Dante Day Mar. 26: Epilepsy Awareness Day, Make Up Your Own Holiday Day, National Spinach Day, Solitude Day, Wear a Hat Day, Manatee Appreciation Day Mar. 27: National Scribble Day, National Spanish Paella Day, World Theatre Day Mar. 28: National Black Forest Cake Day, National Hot Tub Day, National Something on a Stick Day, Respect Your Cat Day Mar. 29: Mermaid Day, National Mom and Pop Business Owners Day, National Vietnam War Veterans Day Mar. 30: National Doctors' Day, National Folding Laundry Day, National Pencil Day, National Virtual Vacation Day, Take a Walk in the Park Day, World Bipolar Day, Eid al-Fitr Mar. 31: Crayola Crayon Day, Eiffel Tower Day, National Farm Workers Day, National Prom Day, National Tater Day

### **TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Don't watch TV before going to sleep – the bright light and activity may keep your brain awake.

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

### **TODAY'S OUOTE**

"Innovation is seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what nobody has

thought." Dr. Albert Szent-Gyorgyi

#### **TODAY'S JOKE**

Did you hear they arrested the devil? It's true! They got him on possession.

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

### Miller-Palooza is March 14; **Big Goal Set**



Photos courtesy Noblesville Schools

This year's Miller-Palooza is set for Friday, March 14 at the Embassy Suites in Noblesville.

The Noblesville Schools Education Foundation is proud to host their largest annual fundraiser, Miller-Palooza, on Friday, March 14 at the Embassy Suites in Noblesville.

This historic school spirit themed fundraiser supports all 10 Noblesville Schools and will further the Foundation's mission of promoting and investing in Noblesville Schools through grants, scholarships, strategic partnerships and volunteer support.

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### **Want Free Tickets To** Flower & **Patio Show?**

Attention flower lovers . . . and spring lovers . . . and backyard lovers . . . and cookout lovers . . . The Noblesville Times once again has free tickets to give away for the 2025 Indiana Flower & Patio Show, which runs from Saturday, March 15 through Sunday, March 23 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds and Event Center.

All you have to do to win tickets (valued at \$15 each) is either send us a selfie of you and our front page (Print or Online Edition) to news@thetimes24-7.com and be sure to include your name, where you live (city or town, not specific home address) and a little bit about yourself (and no, adding a kind word about your favorite Hamilton County

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### **HONEST HOOSIER**

Two things in life that are inevitable are death and taxes.

Jury's still out on which one is worse.



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# **⇒** OBITUARY

### Diana L. Biggs

August 5, 1956 - February 9, 2025

Diana L. Biggs, 68, loving wife, mother and grandmother, passed away on February 9, 2025. She was born to Charles and Barbara Keel on August 5, 1956, in Indianapolis, IN., and resided in Noblesville, Indiana for most of her life. She married the love of her life, Donnie Biggs in 1980.



Diana was a devoted wife and homemaker, whose strength and beauty shone through her quiet demeanor. She cherished her husband above all else, exhibiting an exceptional depth of love and commitment. A lover of life's simple joys, Diana found great pleasure in long motorcycle rides, the company of her grandchildren and pets, the serenity of the beach, and the fellowship of her Calvary Apostolic church family.

Diana's legacy of love will live on in the hearts of those she left behind; her husband Donnie; her children Jeremy (Sheri) Keel, Jason Keel, Frankie (Janelle) Biggs, Donnie Joe (Rotchel) Biggs, Amber Biggs; and a sister Debbie Babcock. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Her indomitable spirit and her unyielding love will always be remembered by those who knew and loved her.

Diana was preceded in death by her parents, her beloved daughter, Leah, brothers Randy and Brian Keel, and sister Linda Brown. Her life will be celebrated with a visitation on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 11:00am at Calvary Apostolic Church, 16400 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana. The funeral service will follow at the same location at 1:00pm with Pastor Bryan Tanton officiating. Burial will be following the service at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. In these moments, we will remember Diana for the love and joy she brought into our lives.

We encourage everyone who knew Diana to share their memories of her on her memorial page at glennegeorgeandson.com. Memorial donations in her honor can be made to Calvary Apostolic Church.

### Community Health Opens New Clinic in Noblesville

Community Health Network is providing convenient access to healthcare services with the opening of a new Community Clinic at Walgreens in Noblesville. The clinic, located at 2380 Pleasant St. in Noblesville, features two private exam rooms, a restroom, and a dedicated registration area all within an enclosed space. This allows patients the privacy of a traditional healthcare setting within the convenience in a retail location.

"The Noblesville Community Clinic at Walgreens is part of Community's continued effort to offer comprehensive, convenient care options in central Indiana," said Hoy Garvin, Executive Director for On-Demand and Virtual Care at Community Health Network. "Providing access to high-quality healthcare aligns with our mission to enhance the health and well-being of the communities we serve."

A comprehensive range of services will be offered at the new clinic. These include rapid testing for flu, COVID-19, mono, and strep; treatment for seasonal allergies and ear infections; wellness visits; and sports or camp physicals. The clinic will also provide

chronic disease management for conditions such as high blood pressure, asthma, and diabetes. The retail location provides the convenience of pharmacy services on site as well. This modern concept is similar to a Community Clinic that opened in Zionsville in January 2025.

Nekia Stanley, Nurse Practitioner, will be among the providers offering care at the new clinic. Stanley lives in Noblesville and is excited about the access to care this new clinic provides for her community. "The clinic will be open from 8:30am to 7pm on weekdays and from 8:30am to 5pm on weekends," said Stanley. "The extended hours help us to provide care that is close to home seven days a week."

Community operates numerous Community Clinic at Walgreens locations across central Indiana, including one in Zionsville that opened just last month. Each location is tailored to the specific needs of its community, enhancing the accessibility of healthcare services.

For more information about Community Clinic at Walgreens locations or to make an appointment, please visit eCommunity.com/Wagreens.

#### County Gets \$7.8 Million for Key Projects

The Indianapolis
Metropolitan Planning
Organization
Transportation Policy
Committee has
awarded
\$7,813,948.00 to
Hamilton County to
fund three key
transportation
projects.

Hamilton County was awarded \$3,788,423 to convert a three-leg intersection at 113th Street & Olio Road into a multi-lane roundabout. It also received \$897,600 in funding to replace existing signals and adjust the left turn lanes at 146th Street & Marilyn Road. Both projects are scheduled to start in 2028.

"These are muchneeded improvements," says Hamilton County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt. "This funding is an important next step in allowing us to address the growing congestion and safety issues at these intersections."

The county was also

awarded \$3,127,925 to complete Phase 2 of the Steven Nation Community Pathway. The dollars will be used to build a 3.9mile trail/pathway from Potters Bridge in Noblesville to 234th Street. Also included will be a trailhead at the corner of Cumberland Road and 234th Street. That project is expected to begin in late 2028.

Every year, the Indianapolis MPO (IMPO) receives transportation funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and/or the State of Indiana, which is funneled through the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT). The IMPO then distributes this funding to local public agencies, including cities, towns, counties, and transit organizations, to support transportation improvement projects such as roads, bridges, trails, and transit systems within its

# Notice of Assessment Forms Now Available Electronically

**Hamilton County** property owners now have the option to receive their Notice of Assessment of Land and Improvements (Form 11) electronically, rather than by traditional mail. The Assessor's Office has traditionally mailed the forms in April, but residents can now opt to have them emailed instead.

Form 11 details the assessed value of a property, which serves as the starting point for calculating annual property tax payments. Assessed values may change due to new construction,

additions, remodeling, or changes in land use as well as for reassessments and annual market value trending.

planning area.

Property owners interested in receiving their Form 11 via email must submit the request by the end of the day on March 25. Both electronic and mailed notices will be sent on April 30.

Property owners can complete the online form on the Hamilton County Assessor's website or at this link: https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/2073/F-11-Email-Notification-Request

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#### **Would You Like Fries With That?**

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# Chick-fil-A Steps Up!



Photo courtesy Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville

Recently, the Tom & Soni Sheehan Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville was presented a generous \$1,460 check from proceeds of Chick-fil-A's Charity Night to support the Club. Funds will be allocated to support the Club's affordable after school and out-ofschool programs that focus on academic success, good character & citizenship, and healthy & active lifestyles. "Chick-fil-A SR 37 and Saxony were excited to partner with the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville for many reasons, all of which align with the true spirit of Noblesville: serving our youth and their families in a meaningful, impactful way," Sarah Harlowe, Chick-fil-A Regional Director of Marketing, said. She is pictured with **BGCN Donor Relations Associate Emily** 



### **That's Not My Cake**



wonderful tradition. CARRIE

Born just 69 **CLASSON** years and one The Postscript

My father and

my niece

have a

week apart, they have celebrated their birthdays together for as long as my niece has had a birthday. Last night, we all went out to eat and then went to my sister's house to open presents and have birthday cake. I live just a few blocks from a wonderful Italian bakery. They make the best chocolate cake ever, so I offered to bring the cake.

Last year, my father turned 90 and my niece turned 21, and so I bought a single candle that said "21" on it and put in nine candles, and they blew them out together. But this year, with my father turning 91 and my niece 22, I could think of no simple means of representing these ages in candleswithout burning my sister's house down.

I thought, as long as the bakery was writing "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" on the cake, they could just as easily write "HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!" followed by "22 & 91." Then I could put a single candle by each age and simplify the whole complicated (but mandatory) candleblowing-out procedure.

So that's what I did. A nice young woman repeated the message back to me on the phone, and I headed out the next day to pick up the cake.

"Right here!" a young man who I had not seen working there before said.

"Could I have a quick look at it?" I asked.

I only asked because they put their cakes in sturdy boxes tied up with two lengths of strong ribbon and knot the ribbon at the top. It makes it easy to carry the heavy cake home, but there is no way of opening the box without scissors.

"Sure!" the young man

The cake said, "HAPPY BIRTHDAY."

I knew the young woman had understood me, so I suspected this was not

> 2433 E Main St. Greenwood

man that the ages should be on the cake, and he took the first cake back and went looking for my cake.

He was gone a very long time.

"Got it!" he finally said when he returned with another cake.

"Can I have a look at it?" I asked again. At this point, I was starting to feel like a bit of a nuisance, but the staff was as friendly as always, so I went around the counter and looked at the cake.

It said, "HAPPY BIRTHDAY 55."

"This is not my cake," I told the young man.

By now, the manageror at least a more senior member of the staff-had taken an interest.

"Aren't you Karen Carlson?" the manager asked.

"No. I'm Carrie Classon "

The two bakery employees looked at the cake.

"We gave someone the wrong cake," the young man announced.

By now, a young woman (I believe the one who took the order) was involved. She confirmed what the cake should have said, and the manager wrote it down on a piece of paper, and the young man disappeared into the back again.

"So sorry for the delay!" the manager said. After a long wait, a new cake appeared. "HAPPY BIRTHDAYS! 22 & 91" it read.

They tied up the cake with very strong ribbon, and I walked home with my cake. And at least twice every block, I stopped to laugh out loud.

Because I knew Karen did not check her cake.

She had already taken that cake to someone who was going to get the most confusing birthday message they have had in all their 55 years.

Till next time, Carrie

## Icy Relationships

Monday, March 3, 2025



WOLFSIE **Funny Bone** 

adventure.

this month. We are thrilled to be taking a small group with us to

enjoy this week-long

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headed to

Iceland

are

Mary Ellen is already checking the weather there, and she announces to me each morning that it is warmer in Reykjavik, the country's capital, than it is in Indianapolis. For some reason, this makes her feel better. In her dogged research, she has determined that the key to an enjoyable experience is to have many layers, a position I took concerning our

My sister, who is single, is going with us, but I want to warn her that if she is on the hunt, not for moose. but an eligible man, to keep the following in mind:

wedding cake 44 years

The biggest issue men have when hooking up with women in Iceland is not that the ladies are cold. The men can be a little frosty themselves-but temperature is relative. The problem is that the person they meet at the Moose Antler Pub could actually be a relative.

Iceland is the home of only about 380,000 people, and its lineage has been documented over the past 1,000 years. Generally, people don't move to or away from Iceland. (Why would they? And give up the best reindeer barbeque in the world?) The problem is that most people are probably related to each other, swinging from the same family tree.

Wedding planners and family reunion organizers compete for the same guests. Web dating services in Iceland were trying hard to match people

who engage in similar sports, love hunting, enjoy moonlight walks, and whenever possible, have different greatgrandparents.

Smartphones once featured a "bump" function. Potential lovers could tap their phones together to see how closely they were related. The incest app drew rave reviews with a rating of 4.5 out of 5 on the Google Play Store. That put it a little behind the video game Grand Theft Auto, although stealing a car and kissing your cousin both carry similar jail terms.

Creators of the app

were unhappy with the publicity. They claimed that the main intention of the application was to give data about the country's rich genealogical history and provide information about relatives' birthdays and anniversaries. But learning it's Uncle Olafur's 50th birthday doesn't have the same impact as an app that tells you who to cozy up with. One of the app's developers, Arnar Freyr Adalsteinsson, said he seldom used the bumping feature. "I just use common sense," said Arnar. "If the woman was attractive but named Gloria Freyr Adalsteinsson, I would be a little wary."

The manufacturer noted that the application was not for iPhones; it was only for Androids. I'm no expert on human sexuality, but if you're an android, it's probably safe to go home with anybody you want.

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

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#### GOAL From Page A1



Superintendent Dr. Dan Hile (left) and Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen were the stars of the show last year.



NSEF volunteers are hoping to beat last year's numbers and raise over \$125,000 to support all ten Noblesville Schools.

Miller-Palooza starts at 5:30 pm and will feature dueling pianos with Felix & Fingers, food stations, spirits, a large auction and awards honoring partners of Noblesville Schools and the first class in the Noblesville Schools Hall of Fame.

With Mayor Chris Jensen as master of ceremonies, the fun evening will see a casual dress code centered on school spirit and vintage or throwback items. NSEF volunteers are hoping to beat last year's numbers and raise over \$125,000. This is a 21+ event and tickets start at \$125 each. Tickets can be purchased at onecau.se/millerpalooza The Foundation expects an estimated 375 attendees and will feature many local businesses as sponsors. The top presenting sponsor of the event is Blades Audio Video Security. Gold level sponsors are Craig & Christi Crosser, CSO Architects, Don Smock Auctions, Duke Energy, Ed Martin Automotive, Dr. Joe Forgey, T&T Sales & Promotions and TMG Construction.



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## 2025 Kia Sorento X-Line Hugs Highways and Byways with a Heap of Style and Three Rows of Kind of Comfortable Seats



The 2003 Kia

Sorento was









the first from the Korean automaker WILLIAMS that made me do a doubletake and

think, "This upstart is not the same purveyor of cruddy little compacts I thought it was."

No, the first Sorento looked like a Lexus RX, approached the reliability of its Japanese competitors, and posted affordable prices. It changed everything. Over two decades later, the 2024 Sorento X-Line is still a styling delight...even if the price is a deservedly more upscale.

X-Line indicates it adopts the look of a handsome hiker, taking on a performanceoriented flair from the black grille flanked by vertical LEDs to sculpted broadsides hugging 21" black wheels, and a rear with individual taillamps that hint at Mustang. It's not especially imaginative, but adds distinct elements to an overall

design that would be just as welcome in Acura and Lexus showrooms.

Slide inside for a hearty dose of Euro chic. Twin 12.3" screens sprout from the dash for gauges and infotainment. Connect wirelessly through Apple and Android; charge wirelessly too. Start touching surfaces for sensory delights from the sueded headliner to matte finish woodgrain on the dash. Dual-zone automatic climate control, panoramic glass roof, and serene Bose audio add to the upscale ambience. Enjoy it all from heated and ventilated front seats, heated middle-row captain's chairs, and while gripping a heated leather-wrapped steering wheel.

If there are complaints, they're minor. Especially given the drenching of active safety systems on the Sorento, I'd love a head-up display. There's technically a split/fold third-row seat, but it's really for kids and dogs, not full-grown humans. Cargo space is severely limited with the seats

up. Separate rear seat climate controls would also be appreciated by those in the cheap seats.

Kicking those seats down the road is no problem given the 2.5liter turbocharged fourcylinder engine delivering 281 horsepower and 311 lb.ft. of torque. Those spirits travel to the allwheel-drive system through an 8-speed dual clutch automatic transmission. Shift by paddles if you must. And, if you want to go off-road, lock in the center differential with a console switch. Back on pavement, expect 20/27-MPG city/highway quite good for a threerow non-hybrid crossover.

The comparison to Lexus continues with ride and handling. It's no sports car, so if you're looking for a BMW X5 at bargain prices, keep looking. However, the four-wheel independent suspension does an excellent job of absorbing rough city pavement and riding comfortably on long highway trips. It's

pleasant from behind the wheel with quick throttle response and precise steering, but you'll never forget this is a top-heavy SUV and not a sport sedan. Most owners will find it perfectly acceptable for carrying families and gear wherever they roam.

And, they'll roam safe in a womb of automatic emergency braking, adaptive cruise, lane keep assist, and rear auto brake. Blind spot cameras in the dash and a digital rearview mirror enhance visibility around the vehicle while safe exit assist employs blind spot sensors to prevent passengers from stepping into traffic.

Kia was serious about the Sorento from my very first encounter decades hence. It was a roomy, stylish, and peppy crossover that felt no shame in suburban driveways. Years of evolution have made it one of the benchmarks in its class. Sorento starts at just \$31,980, coming to \$48,285 with

SX-Prestige trim with almost every conceivable option. Competitors include the Honda Pilot, Nissan Pathfinder, Toyota Highlander, Chevy Traverse, Ford Explorer, and Subaru Ascent.

Storm Forward!

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

#### Likes

- Luxurious interior
- Premium styling
- Peppy turbo

#### **Dislikes**

- Tight third row
- Limited cargo space
- No headup display

#### 2025 Kia Sorento X-Line Prestige

Six-passenger, AWD Crossover Powertrain: 2.5-liter T4, 8-spd trans Output: 281hp/311 lb.-ft. torque Suspension f/r: Ind/Ind Wheels f/r: 20"/20" alloy Brakes f/r: disc/disc Towing: 4,000 lbs. Fuel economy: 20/27 mpg city/hwy

Assembly: West Point, GA Base/As-tested price: \$31,980/\$48,285

#### Sheridan Public Library March Events

#### **BABIES & TODDLERS:**

March 3,10, 17, 24 at 10:30 a.m. | Discovery Time (up to 3years)

#### PRESCHOOL:

March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 10:30 a.m. | Little Learners Story Time (ages 3-6) March 25 at 6 p.m. | PJ Story Time (ages 3-6)

#### **GRADES K-5:**

March 6 at 3:30 p.m. | After School Club: Pokemon Party; no registration; bring your own

March 20 at 3:30 p.m.| After School Club: Tinkers & Thinkers; design & test your own paper

### **GRADES 6-12:**

March 13 at 3:30 p.m. | Chess Club; no experience necessary March 15 at 9:30 a.m. - 1pm | Magic the Gathering; led by David King March 18 at 3:30 p.m. | Teen Volunteer: Movie Day/Stuff Easter Eggs for Hunt

#### **ADULTS:**

March 1 at 9:30am-12:30 p.m. | Color Me Away; stress-relief adult coloring; supplies provided March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 11 a.m. | Needle Crafters March 5, 19 at 3 p.m. | Adult Bingo (Sponsored

March 5 at 6 p.m. | Pinners (Pinterest Group) March 6 at 5:30 p.m. + March 7 at 10 a.m. | Upcycled Craft: Paper Jewelry March 13 at 3:30 p.m. | Chess Club; no experience necessary

March 15 at 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Magic the Gathering; led by David King March 19 at 5:30 p.m. | Sheridan Readers Book Club: A Most Clever Girl: The Story of an

American Spy by Stephanie Marie Thornton

#### **ALL AGES:**

Month of March: Book Madness; vote for your favorites to narrow down the bracket March 3-8 during library hours | Drop-in for Dr. Suess: Read Across America fun and activities March 13 at 6 p.m. | Family Bingo Night; free

March 22 at 11 a.m. | STEAM Celebration with Professor Steve's "Unseen Forces" science

For more information on programming and services, please visit: https://sheridan.lib.in.us

#### Carmel Celebrates Disability Awareness Month in March

The City of Carmel is observing National **Disability Awareness** Month in March and will be part of several special events.

#### **Community Sensory**

Saturday, March 8, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Midtown Plaza

Join us in Midtown Plaza for snacks courtesy of our city partners at BraunAbility, free giveaways and sensory activities, videos hosted by the Carmel Advisory Committee on Disability (CACD) and a family-friendly movie.

#### Adaptive Virtual Art **Exhibit**

This annual virtual exhibit in partnership with the Carmel Arts Council, will be featured on the Midtown screen throughout the month of March with artists' works also featured in the City of Carmel weekly e-newsletter.

Carmel Clay Public

March Disability

Awareness Book List The library will share a list of recommended books to highlight authors with a disability or books with characters with a disability.

#### **Hamilton County Disability Resource**

Wednesday, March 26, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Carmel High School

Carmel High School and accessABILITY Center for Independent Living, Inc. will be hosting the **Hamilton County** Disability Resource Fair to provide information about community resources and services for individuals with disabilities and their families.

#### **Closed Captioning**

The City of Carmel is committed to inclusive and accessible environments for all. If your business needs assistance to enable closed captioning (CC) on your TV screens, visit Hamilton County Tourism's website for resources.

### **Carmel Forms Commission on Housing**

Sparked by the impressive work of the Carmel Housing Task Force and its initial report, Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam today announced the formation of the Mayor's Advisory Commission on Housing.

The initial work of Commission members will focus on considering and implementing the recommendations of the task force, which was formed in February 2024, with members then issuing recommendations report to the mayor in September.

#### **Commission members** include:

Barbara Eden, Carmel resident Todd Fenoglio, Carmel Clay Schools Matt Kaercher, Merchants Capital Shannon Minnaar, City Council member Chris Pryor, MIBOR Sarah Spencer, First Financial Bank Christine Zoccola, Carmel Plan Commission

"This commission is

another significant step forward in addressing our housing needs and I am grateful to these residents for their willingness to serve," said Mayor Finkam. "We have clearly defined the challenges we face and are now taking steps to ensure the long-term sustainability of diverse housing options for future

generations."

The commission will facilitate and update the Housing Strategy and Vision resulting from the task force's initial recommendations, with the goal of meeting Carmel's housing objectives. Among their plans: strategizing options for protecting existing single-family neighborhoods, assessing current zoning regulations pertaining to housing and studying options and strategies for new affordable housing.

Commission members will meet twice monthly.



## Center for the Performing Arts Sets March Schedule

The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel released its schedule for March.

The StepCrew 8 p.m. Friday, March 7 The Palladium Tickets from \$25 **Telamon Passport** 

The Canadian Celtic ensemble StepCrew brings together three styles of exhilarating dance forms - Ottawa Valley stepdance, Irish stepdance and tap. With virtuosic dancers and musicians from the likes of the Chieftains, Cherish the Ladies and Bowfire, this cast of outstanding talent takes you on a dance journey, as champions in their respective art forms show audiences the amazing similarities and differences between these three captivating styles. The StepCrew also boasts three world-class fiddlers backed by an amazing five-piece ensemble comprising some of the most talented and respected musicians in the Celtic music scene today.

**Brooklyn Charmers: A Steely Dan Tribute** 8 p.m. Friday, March 7 The Tarkington Tickets from \$35 Katz, Sapper & Miller Pop/Rock Series a Steely Dan tribute

Brooklyn Charmers is band comprised of some of Chicago's top players. With masterful precision and obsessive dedication to the music, Brooklyn Charmers injects a new energy into the beloved catalogue, bridging the gap between new and lifelong fans alike. Steely Dan's blend of rock and jazz, along with their infectious hooks and clever lyrics, put them in another league in the eyes of critics and fans. Their prolific and consistent output throughout the 1970s cements them as classic rock royalty. **Brooklyn Charmers** are excited to carry

Welcome Back: The Return of Emerson, Lake & Palmer 8 p.m. Friday, March

The Palladium Tickets from \$35 Katz, Sapper & Miller Pop/Rock Series

extraordinaire Carl Palmer leads a tour celebrating the legacy of progressive-rock supergroup Emerson, Lake & Palmer. The trio were known for their classical influences, instrumental virtuosity and a string of platinum albums in the 1970s that made songs such as "Lucky Man," "From the Beginning" and "Karn Evil 9" staples of rock radio. With full cooperation from the estates of his late bandmates, Keith **Emerson and Greg** Lake, Palmer developed this production, which combines live performance by Palmer and his current band with video of Emerson and Lake from a 1992 ELP concert.

**Dustbowl Revival: A Laurel Canyon** Retrospective 8 p.m. Friday, March

The Tarkington Tickets from \$40 Katz, Sapper & Miller

Pop/Rock Series **Dustbowl Revival** offers a fresh take on timeless classics from the late 1960s folkrock wave, including songs by Joni Mitchell, the Mamas and the Papas, the Doors, **CSNY** and Brian Wilson, as well as the 1970s radio hitmakers from the second wave: Carole King, James Taylor, the Eagles, Linda Ronstadt, Jackson Browne, Three Dog Night and more. Hailing from Venice Beach, California, Dustbowl Revival is renowned for its signature harmony vocals, soulful horn section and ripping rhythm section of drums, bass and electric guitar. Going into their second decade on the road, the collective has toured to 11 countries and

**Grupo Niche** 8 p.m. Saturday,

March 22 The Palladium Tickets from \$45 **Telamon Passport** 

Grupo Niche is a Colombian salsa orchestra formed in 1979, recognized by critics and the public alike as the most successful in Latin America during the last four decades. The award-winning ensemble was founded in Bogotá by the late composer and arranger Jairo Varela Martínez before resettling in the western city of Cali. The group is known for its prominent horn arrangements, uptempo African rhythms, and hits such as "Cali Pachanguero" and "Una Aventura" that have become standards of the genre. Grupo Niche's latest album is Niche Sinfónico, recorded with the National Symphony Orchestra of Colombia and named Best Salsa Album at the 2023

**GRIMMZ Fairy Tales** 5 p.m. Sunday, March 23

Latin Grammy Awards.

The Palladium Tickets from \$25 **Old Town Family** 

**GRIMMZ Fairy Tales is** a new play for children that centers on two modern-day street performers, Jay and Will, who bring the time-honored stories of the Brothers Grimm to life with a contemporary urban spin. Performed in hip-hop style amid a brick landscape with graffiti and flashing lights, the featured tales include "Cinderella Remix," "Rapunzel" and "Snow White & the Seven Shawties." The production was developed by the New Jersey-based **Experiential Theater** Company in partnership with the North Carolina-based Children's Theatre of

The Red Hot Chilli **Pipers** 7 p.m. Sunday, March

Charlotte.

The Tarkington Tickets from \$40 **Telamon Passport Series** 

Formed in 2002 in

Scotland, the Red Hot Chilli Pipers have become a global phenomenon with their unique fusion of rocked-up bagpipes and clever covers of popular songs from all genres. Their "bagrock" sound mixes traditional pipe tunes like "The Flowers of Scotland" and "The Hills of Argyll" with more recent anthems such as Queen's "We Will Rock You" and Coldplay's "Clocks." A nine-piece ensemble of pipes, guitars, keyboards and drums, they gained international fame after winning top prize on the U.K. TV talent show When Will I Be Famous in 2007.

**Lang Lang** 8 p.m. Friday, March

The Palladium Tickets from \$45 **Classical Series** 

As a pianist, educator and philanthropist, Lang Lang is a leading figure in classical music and one of the world's most influential ambassadors for the arts in the 21st century. Heralded by the New York Times as "the hottest artist on the classical music planet," the Chineseborn virtuoso has collaborated with the world's top conductors and orchestras, been seen by billions of viewers at the Summer Olympics Opening Ceremony in Beijing, and performed at the Grammy Awards with Metallica, Pharrell Williams and Herbie Hancock. The program will feature works of Fauré, Schumann and

OTHER MARCH **EVENTS INCLUDE:** 

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Film screening: **Showstoppers! Great Women of TV Variety** 2 p.m. Sunday, March

The Tarkington Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 students

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The Great American Songbook Foundation hosts a screening of a new PBS documentary, a live talkback with the filmmakers and host Debby Boone, and a display of costumes worn by Peggy Lee, Mitzi Gaynor, and other

Peanut Butter & Jam: Katherine Nagy & **Friends** 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 8 The Studio Theater Tickets: \$10 per child, includes up to two free adult admissions Raised in Ireland, singer-songwriter Katherine Nagy and her band will perform her original Irish-inspired songs, as well as familiar Irish tunes, and share stories filled with Irish tradition. Designed for children ages 1-7, Peanut Butter & Jam sessions engage young children in the

Live at the Center: Hank Ruff and the Hellbenders 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11 Online and at the **Tarkington** 

Livestream: Free (paywhat-you-can, no minimum) On site: \$10 (pay-whatyou-can, \$10 minimum) Indiana native Hank Ruff tours nationally with his modern take on classic country music, combining rock energy with traditional sounds of steel guitar, fiddle and banjo. His 2022 EP Hellbender hit #1 on the iTunes allgenre chart.

**Group Vocal Coaching** 6:15 p.m. Wednesdays, March 12 to April 2 The Palladium Cost: \$90 for four sessions

Cabaret and theater veteran Todd Neal leads this class for teens and adults who enjoy singing and would like to improve their vocal delivery. No previous training is required.

**Luminaries: Choreographing Dance** Narratives with Iris Rosa Santiago 2 p.m. Tuesday, March

The Palladium Tickets: \$10, includes light refreshments

Iris Rosa Santiago is a choreographer, an Afro-Puerto Rican immigrant and professor emerita of Indiana University Bloomington. Her presentation will focus on various ideas, philosophies, thoughts, feelings and lived experiences that inspire her storytelling in the dance discipline. Dance narratives can be political, historical, social and cultural, and this provides a plethora of material from which to choose. She will share some videos of past choreographic pieces that illustrate her

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The Cat in the Hat 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, March 1 - The Tarkington

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-March 14-29 - The Studio Theater

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An Extraordinary Life 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1 - The Studio Theater

Central Indiana Dance **Ensemble** 

Mixed Rep 4 p.m. Sunday, March 9 -The Tarkington

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The 2025 Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball Season begins April 14, 2025 and ends on June 17, 2025.

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Both 13-15 League and 16-18 League will begin play on April 14, 2025. A double-elimination tournament will be played June 8-17, 2025. \* Note: Dates subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

Registration Fee: 2025 Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball registration fee is \$199 (plus processing fee applied at checkout) and includes team jersey, hat, and 2 tickets to the Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball League Pancake Breakfast/Picture Day scheduled for April 26, 2025 from 8 am-11 am at the

Team/Player photos will be taken at the Pancake Breakfast. Additional tickets for the League Pancake Breakfast will be available at the door for \$5 each.

Player Evaluations: 13-15 year old players new to Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball or 13-15 year old players wishing to re-enter the team draft need to attend the player evaluation session scheduled for March 16, 2025 from 2 pm-4 pm at Noblesville High School.

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### Fishers Celebrates Disability Awareness Month in March

The City of Fishers and Fishers Advisory
Committee on Disability will host their annual celebration of National Disability Awareness
Month next month with a month-long lineup of special events and programs aimed to raise awareness of what life is like for those with physical and intellectual disabilities in the community.

The celebration presented by Old National Bank is themed Connected Through Language and will strive to highlight the power of language in cultivating identity and connections, from the perspective of residents who are Deaf or hard of hearing. As part of the celebration, March will also feature the launch of a countywide closed captioning initiative that aims to foster and inclusive and accessible experience for everyone in public places. The countywide initiative, led by **Hamilton County** Tourism with support from the Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability, encourages and educates business owners on the benefits and logistics of using closed captioning.

"Since establishing the Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability in 2017, our group has been committed to working with the City of Fishers to ensure that those with disabilities have the necessary accommodations, support, and opportunities to thrive in our community," said Cecilia Coble, co-chair of the Fishers Advisory on Disability and Fishers City Councilor. "Our committee looks forward to March as a time to elevate the stories, accomplishments, and challenges of the local disability community and encourage residents, businesses, and community leaders to rally behind this

important cause."

The celebration will include the return of the popular Ally campaign, which invites residents to become advocates for disability inclusion. Free Ally toolkits will be available for community members to showcase their advocacy, educate themselves and others, and further the discussion on disability inclusion. Toolkits including a t-shirt, yard sign, stickers, and other materials will be available for pick up at the March Disability Awareness Month Kickoff on March 3 at Fishers City Hall Theater (1 Municipal Drive). Virtual toolkits are also available with information on how to best serve as an Ally, including a language guide, social media graphics, an Ally pledge, and more. The virtual toolkit is available for download at FishersIN.gov/ DisabilityAwareness.

"The Ally campaign is a

great way to engage residents who don't have a direct tie with the disability community in the celebration and build a support network to rally for inclusivity and accessibility," said Kelly Hartman, committee cochair and president and CEO of KQuad Consulting. "I love seeing residents with their tshirts and yard signs, showcasing their allyship with pride."

The 2025 event lineup features several events hosted by community partners like the Fishers Arts Council, OneZone, and Hamilton East Public Library, truly making this a community-wide celebration. The programming lineup includes:

#### 2025 Disability Awareness Month Kickoff & Awards: Connected Through Language

Monday, March 3 / 8:30-10 a.m. Fishers Municipal Center Theater (1 Municipal Drive) Free, no registration required Mayor Scott Fadness and the Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability invite the public to celebrate the kick-off of National Disability Awareness Month in Fishers. To highlight this year's Connected Through Language theme, this event will feature a panel discussion with Fishers residents Jason Magner, Irina Burke, and Greg Gantt about the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community, history of American Sign Language (ASL), and the celebration of Deaf

The event will also include the presentation of the annual Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability's Inclusion and Accessibility Awards. The three awards-Life Without Limits Award, Cornerstone Employer Award, and Accessibility Award-are communitynominated awards are given to individuals and organizations that inspire and advocate for the local disability community.

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## Fishers Parks' Storywalk: My Brain is Magic Rogins March 1 / Daily

Begins March 1 / Daily, dawn to dusk Holland Park (1 Park Drive) Free, no registration required Enjoy an easy, familyfriendly hike around Holland Park as you enjoy March's featured book, My Brain is Magic, by Prasha Sooful. No registration is required. Learn more at FishersParks. com/Storywalk.

OneZone Disability
Awareness Breakfast
Wednesday, March 5 /
8:30-9:30 a.m.
Fishers Municipal Center
Theater (1 Municipal
Drive)
\$15 for members, \$25 for
guests / Registration
required
Join One Zone for a small
breakfast of coffee and
pastries to learn about

Damar Services, Inc. and

the positive impact of

hiring an individual with a disability from Dr. Jim Dalton, the President and CEO.

#### Fishers Arts Council's Second Friday: March Disability Awareness Art Exhibition

Friday, March 14 / 6-9 Fishers Municipal Center Theater (1 Municipal Drive) Free, no registration required Fishers Arts Council hosts an evening for all ages including live music and various kinds of artistic expressions on display in the gallery. All are welcome to this open-house style "Second Friday" celebrating artists with different abilities. Speakers from the Fishers Advisory Committee, Ignite Studio, and the Fishers Arts Council will make comments at 7 p.m. Light refreshments are also available.

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Disability Resource Fair
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p.m.
Carmel High School (520
East Main Street, Carmel)
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### Hamilton East Public Library Workshops

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Hamilton East Public Library- Fishers (5 Municipal Drive) Join the Hamilton East Public Library's Fishers branch for various workshops and programs themed around Disability Awareness Month. Learn more at hamiltoneastpl. org.

- Unbound by Limits: The Power of Movement in Art: Saturday, March 8, 2025 / 11-12:30 p.m. & 2-3:30 p.m. / Registration opens on February 21 at 11 a.m.
- Neurodivergent Teen Hangout: Game Night: | Sunday, March 9, 2025 / 2 - 3 p.m. / Register here
- Preparing for Adulthood on the Spectrum: A Disability Awareness Month Workshop: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 / 7 - 8 p.m. / Virtual / Register here
- Notes on Blindness: A Virtual Reality Experience: Thursday, March 27, 2025 / 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. and 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. / Registration opens on February 25 at 5:30 p.m.

This celebration is made possible by sponsors including Old National Bank (presenting sponsor), and platinum sponsors Fishers Magazine, Hamilton East Public Library, Fishers Arts Council, and OneZone. To register for events, download the Ally Toolkit, and learn more about the work of the Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability, visit FishersIN.gov/ DisabilityAwareness.

Follow along on social

media at #FishersMDAM.

### **March Invasive Species Action Month Here**

The Hamilton County Invasives Partnership is proud to launch **Invasive Species** Action Month this March, calling on residents to act in the fight against invasive species. Whether by removing invasive species, attending an educational workshop, or making the switch to native plants, there are many ways to get involved and make a difference.

"Invasive species are one of the biggest threats to our local parks and natural areas," said Claire Lane, Coordinator for HIP. "This month is all about action—challenging people to take real steps to help—starting in their own yards."

Throughout March, HIP partners are offering a variety of volunteer opportunities, educational experiences, and a special landscaping with natives workshop to equip residents with the tools they need to restore biodiversity in their community.



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Key Events & Ways to Get Involved

- Volunteer
   Experiences:
   Hands-on
   opportunities to
   remove invasive
   plants and restore
   native habitats
   across the
   county.
- Landscaping with Natives Workshop March 12, 6 p.m. at Cool Creek Park Nature Center: Learn how to transform your yard with native plants, access free native landscaping plans, and connect with local experts and plant retailers.
- Educational
   Content on social
   media: Follow
   @hamiltonswcd
   on Instagram and
   Facebook for
   facts, tips, and
   calls to action
   throughout
   March.

HIP encourages all Hamilton County residents to take three key actions this month:

- 1. Remove invasive species like Callery pear, burning bush, and wintercreeper.
- 2. Learn and share information with neighbors and friends.
- 3. Switch to native plants in landscaping to support pollinators and local wildlife.

For more information on how to participate in Invasive Species Action Month, visit hcinvasives.org or follow @hamilton swcd on social media.

#### Art Exhibit Now Open at Cool Creek Nature Center



Photo courtesy Hamilton County Parks and Recreation

### The exhibit at the Cool Creek Nature Center is open through Sunday.

**Hamilton County** Parks and Recreation is celebrating the 20th year of its Nature's Inspirations art exhibit at the Cool Creek Nature Center, open now through Sunday during nature center hours of operation. The exhibit showcases artwork inspired by nature, with some pieces available for purchase. Proceeds support local artists and the parks department.

"This exhibit is a fantastic way to support local artists while celebrating the nature that inspires their work," said Chris Stice, HCPR Director. "We're happy to offer a platform for local talent and to encourage the community's appreciation of nature through art."

The exhibit features a range of artwork in diverse mediums, including photography, paintings, and sculptures, all focused on wildlife and landscapes. Amanda Smith, HCPR Superintendent of Natural Resources, shared, "We're thrilled to have many returning artists as well as first-time artists submit their work to Nature's Inspirations. Each piece brings a unique perspective and allows the audience to feel a powerful connection to nature."

The free exhibit is a wonderful opportunity for art lovers, families, and nature enthusiasts to come together and appreciate the

creativity and beauty that stems from the natural environment. Visit the Cool Creek Nature Center (Monday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 1-5 pm) now through March 9th to experience this exceptional celebration of art and nature, and enjoy the other free activities, animals, and learning opportunities at the nature center.

information on upcoming events and programs or to learn how to support Hamilton County Parks and Recreation, please visit myhamilton countyparks.com or call 317-770-4400.

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The Indiana Flower & Patio Show is produced by Marketplace Events, which produces more than 70 consumer shows in North America, including home, garden and holiday shows. The 70+ combined events, in 54 markets, currently attract 30,000 exhibitors, 2.5 million attendees and another five million unique web visitors annually.

In addition, there are two special days. Hero and the Show pays our heroes! All active military, veterans, police and fire personnel get FREE plus FREE PARKING at the State Fairgrounds. Just bring a valid ID and come enjoy the the day! And Teacher Day is Sunday, March 16 as the Show takes attendance for all educators. As a thank you to those who help teach our little ones, all teachers and school staff receive FREE ADMISSION to the show on March 16. Just bring a valid staff ID and enjoy the Flower + Patio Show free of charge!

Regular admission prices are \$15 for adults, and children 12 and under are free. The Show opens at 10 a.m. each day and closes at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, 7 p.m. Mondays through Wednesdays and 5 p.m. on Sundays.

The following are some of the special features at this year's show.

#### Indianapolis **Landscape Association Feature Gardens**

The Indianapolis Landscape Association Feature Gardens in both West Pavilion and Expo Hall are brimming with  $\operatorname{color} - \operatorname{from}$ gorgeous greens to beautiful blues and everything in between. The area's top landscape professionals have a variety of affordable to big-budget options for

your next garden or backyard project. Contributing landscapers are: All Pro

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#### More Growth at The **Plant Market**

After winter's chill begins to thaw, the Plant Market is the best place to get a sneak peek at all the sights and scents of the upcoming spring season. One of the most popular features at the Flower + Patio Show, the Plant Market has everything from fresh flowers and plants to gardening supplies right at your fingertips. And you can't miss it — it's right at the entrance of West Pavilion and Expo Hall.

#### **Deck Wars**

It's time to see who can build the most dynamite deck in the Deck Wars competition, sponsored by Trex, the world's largest manufacturer of woodalternative decking and railing products! Three top decking contractors from Central Indiana duke it out in real time designing and building one-of-a-kind decks. Each builder gets a 20x20-foot space in Expo Hall, and Flower + Patio Show attendees choose the LUCKY winner, decided on

#### **Blooming!** Get excited and get

Friday, March 21!

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inspired by everything that blooms with our floral professionals all show long! Appearing on the Oberfields Outdoor Living Stage,

these designers will share with you everything from how and why to add lavender and elderflower to your garden; take you through a serene journey into healing gardens; share upcoming floral trends; and how to create lasting memories with joyful arrangements. There's bloomin' fun to be had by all!

#### The Masters of the Garden

Get ready to dig into all your gardening questions with the Purdue Master Gardeners! The Purdue Master Gardener Program trains gardening enthusiasts as volunteers to assist Purdue Extension with home horticulture education in communities throughout Indiana. Have a lawn problem? A dirt drama? Bring them to the Masters! Visit and learn from the best in Booth #506.

#### **Rusted Kreations** Flower Truck

**Rusted Kreations** brings Cora the Flower Truck to the Flower + Patio Show! This flower farmer from Delaware County offers everything from beautiful bouquets to gorgeous greenery for show attendees to purchase and enjoy on site. Come see Cindy and her blooms at the Indiana Flower + Patio Show in West Pavilion.

Green Living with The **Hoosier Gardener** 

Learn about 10 no-fail native plants for our Indiana landscape – plus tips for their care from Hoosier Gardener Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp! Writing and speaking about natural gardening for more than 25 years, Jo Ellen has all kinds of "dirty" secrets. She'll share them with you when she appears at the Flower + Patio Show on Saturday, March 15 and Sunday, March 23!

#### The Power of Gardening

Abby Perry, founder of Abby's Garden Parties, combines her Bachelor's in Psychology from the University of Michigan

with her expertise as a Master Gardener, specializing in indoor houseplant and succulents. She is passionate about the therapeutic and creative benefits of gardening for mental health. Through Abby's Garden Parties, she offers workshops on house plant care and terrarium building at her retail store in Zionsville, Indiana, helping people nurture their creativity and well-being. Join Abby at the Flower + Patio Show for expert tips on indoor plants and the transformative power of gardening on stage Wednesday, March 19 and Saturday, March

**Luxury Shed Escapes** Greene County-based

ShedEscape Designs creates the ideal places to escape the outside world, slow down time and make special memories. Does your family need a unique retreat to unplug and unwind so you can recharge and reconnect? From custom Playhouses, Studio Sheds, Cottage Homes to everything in between, check out ShedEscape Designs at the Flower + Patio Show to learn more about building your perfect escape! This exquisite feature is located in Expo Hall!

#### **Blooming Sale!**

Spot something in an Indiana Flower + Patio Show garden you can't live without? Almost all plant materials, hardscapes, structures and decorative pieces used to create the magnificent gardens at this year's event are available at our annual Blooming Sale — on the final Sunday of the show, March 23 at 5 p.m.!

#### **Oberfields Tulip Tavern**

Need a place to rest and recharge during your visit to the Flower + Patio Show? Visit the Oberfields Tulip Tavern in West Pavilion. Designed and constructed by Lakeshore Hardscapes, the full-service tavern invites show attendees to enjoy a variety of craft beers, domestics, wine and spirits in a unique patio setting.



### **Auditor's Office Earns A Prestigious National Award**

Hamilton County has once again received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association for its 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. This marks the 36th consecutive year the county has earned this top recognition-the highest honor in governmental accounting and financial reporting.

"This award reflects Hamilton County's unwavering commitment to financial transparency and accountability," said County Auditor Todd Clevenger. "It's a testament to the dedication of our finance team, elected officials, department heads, and financial advisors at Baker Tilly."

The GFOA's rigorous evaluation ensures the county's financial reporting meets the highest standards, including a constructive spirit of full disclosure that clearly communicates Hamilton County's



**Todd Clevenger** 

financial health. Each year, new government accounting standards raise the bar for compliance, making this achievement even more significant.

"Our success is built on the strong foundation laid by former County **Auditors Robin Mills** and Dawn Coverdale," Clevenger added. "While we have earned this recognition consistently, it requires relentless effort and collaboration to maintain these standards."

This award underscores Hamilton County's dedication to responsible financial management, ensuring taxpayer dollars are managed efficiently and transparently.

# **Art To Dye For**



Photo courtesy Indiana Artisan

You don't need to be an artist to participate in this free make-and-take event.

Dip into dye and create silk art at 2nd SaturDate, a monthly opportunity to engage with artists and learn more about their process at Indiana Artisan Gifts & Gallery. Westfield silk painter Sylvia Gray will provide everything you need including encouragement — to create a small silk masterpiece using dye.

You don't need to be an artist to participate in this free make-andtake event, 1-5 p.m. March 8. Everyone who visits the gallery at 22 N. Rangeline Road in the Carmel Arts & Design District will take home something to treasure. Reservations are not needed. A

Carmel Arts grant provides funding for the event.

As you paint, learn how Sylvia's scarves, jackets, and framed wall art begin with an idea of color and shape. She lays out the design in paint or dye, and then steps back, looking for patterns and images to appear. "I let the fiber piece tell me what it wants to be, and I work to create that," she says.

range of her work at the Indiana Artisan Marketplace, so as part of 2nd SaturDate, guests will be able to buy \$7 Marketplace tickets (\$3 off admission at the door).

Sylvia will have a wide



#### **Fishers Breaks Ground on Park**

Fishers officials broke ground last week on Fishers White River Park, the latest addition to the city's robust parks system. The 120-acre park is located west of the 96th Street and Allisonville Road intersection and adjacent to the White River, one of the regions' greatest

natural assets.

Fishers White River Park will feature 5,000 feet of riverfront, including a kayak launch and creekstomping area, and provide expanded trail connectivity. Along with 2.5 miles of trails within the new park, a trail connection will also be established with the nearby Fishers Heritage Park at White River. A pedestrian bridge is currently under construction between Fishers Heritage Park and Carmel's Hazel Landing Park and once completed this summer, will provide connectivity between Fishers and Zionsville.

"Fishers White River Park is part of the city's initiative to revitalize the Allisonville Road and 96th Street corridors and ensure

that the area remains a dynamic destination for recreation and business for years to come," said Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness. "The area is transforming from an outdated and stagnant corridor to a vibrant gateway on the city's west side. With roadway and greenspace improvements; refreshed housing options like Balmoral Village; enhanced trail connectivity with the Nickel Plate Trail bridge over 96th Street; and updated amenities like the new Kroger store at 116th Street and Allisonville Road; this area is primed for Fishers' next chapter."

The White River Park is made possible with funding from the Regional Economic Acceleration and **Development Initiative** (READI) program. Through the program, which is led by the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, the White River region was awarded \$20 million in READI 1.0 funding and allocated \$4.7 million to the project in 2022.

The park is anticipated to open this fall.

#### **HH 6th Graders Win Title**



The 6th grade Lady Huskies basketball team fought their way to victory at the 2025 Husky Invitational recently. The team showcased their incredible talent and teamwork in two outstanding games.

In the first matchup against Frankton, they worked together seamlessly to establish an early lead and held strong for a wellearned victory. The championship game against Western was a battle from start to finish. With only a onepoint lead at halftime, the girls came back with focus and intensity, demonstrating their unity and resilience to secure the Championship title!

"From the very beginning, we knew that reaching our goal of winning the Championship would require hard work and commitment," said Head Coach Laurie Prater. "The girls embraced the challenge, dedicating six days a week to practice, pushing themselves to improve every single day. Their determination paid off in the best way possible!"

"We couldn't have done it without the energy and support of our amazing 6th-grade cheerleaders and the incredible fans who cheered us on every step of the way," she added. "Their encouragement helped fuel our team's determination until the final buzzer."

Prater said this season has been an absolute joy for the coaches. "Taylor and I have had the privilege of coaching most of these girls since 2nd grade, with the exception of last year when we moved up to coach 6th grade," she explained. "Having them back on our team, along with getting to know the new players, has made for an incredible season filled with growth, dedication, and

"I'm beyond proud of all 14 girls and can't wait to see them finish the season strong in our final two games," noted Prater.





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### **Grant Dollars Allow For Expanded Dental Services**



Mel Wischmeyer

The Hamilton County Health Department has awarded more than \$3.2 million in Health First Indiana grants to local partners since the program's launch in 2024. The funding comes from Senate Enrolled Act 4 which provides vital funding to local health departments to fund evidence-based programs in their communities.

Among the many recipients of those dollars in Hamilton County is Trinity Free Clinic in Carmel. HFI grant dollars have allowed the clinic to expand its free dental services, doubling the number of lowincome, uninsured. and underinsured residents it serves. The clinic has also used the funds to purchase a state-ofthe-art dental scanner and mill to provide same-day crowns and dentures.

"We are incredibly grateful for the funding from the Health First program," says Mel Wischmeyer, Executive Director of Trinity Free Clinic. "We've seen firsthand how life-changing dental care can be for children and adults alike. For many, it's not just about fixing teeth - it's about restoring confidence, improving nutrition, and maintaining social connections."

Trinity Free Clinic recently treated the victim of a violent assault whose mouth had been wired shut. Unable to afford dental care, the wires prevented him from speaking, eating, and brushing his teeth for two years. Trinity's dentists removed the wires and developed a treatment plan to



Jason LeMaster

"Unfortunately,

help restore his oral health.

stories like these are not all that uncommon," Wischmeyer adds. "We've met people denied promotions and demoted to lesser positions due to poor oral health. We recently helped a teen who wouldn't eat lunch at school because she was too embarrassed to take out her poor functioning retainer in front of her friends. These are, in some cases, life-changing procedures."

HFI funding has also enabled the Health Department to enhance local programs in mental health, maternal and child health, chronic disease prevention, and emergency preparedness.

"We are excited to see the positive impact of these grants on our community," said Jason LeMaster, Administrator of the **Hamilton County** Health Department. "By working together with partners like Trinity Free Clinic, we are ensuring that our residents, particularly children and underserved populations, get the health care they need."

For more information on the Hamilton County Health Department's Health First Indiana initiative, visit https:// hamiltoncounty.in. gov/1858/Health-First-Hamilton-County, or to learn more about Trinity Free Clinic's dental services, visit https:// www.trinityfreeclinic. org/dental.

### **Heights Students Dive Into Unique Learning Experiences**

By Todd Jones PE/Coach Hamilton Heights High School

Todd Jones, a 30-year veteran PE teacher and coach at Hamilton Heights High School, is always looking for ways to kick up the educational experience for his students. Recently, he did just that with his 3rd period Rec Games class by giving them the opportunity to experience Olympiclevel diving up close and in person.

Jones reached out to John Wingfield, owner of Ripfest Diving Club, based in Arcadia, IN, to create this unique experience. The students first attended a diving presentation and demonstration in the high school pool during a 90-minute block period. After the demonstration by two club divers, students were given the chance to try out their skills on the diving boards.

As a follow-up

activity, Jones' class took a short threeminute field trip up the road to Ripfest's indoor training facility. There, elite level divers demonstrated how they train using trampolines. Students then were given the opportunity to jump on the trampolines, guided by the Ripfest coaching staff, and became comfortable with the jumps and skills. A few brave students even jumped into the foam pit off the diving board, while others used harnesses to perform somersaults on the trampoline with the coaches' aid elevating their experience.

educational coach at the high school, helped Jones with the idea as part of his cycle 2 teacher evaluation and attended the trip to Arcadia. "It was wonderful to see Mr. Jones going above and beyond to plan experiences for his kids inside and outside of the

Emily Beechler, an

classroom," said Beechler. "Many students started out shy and unsure of joining in, but by the end they were hooked up to harnesses, flipping around, sweating, and smiling from ear to ear. What a wonderful way to extend the classroom into our community and to give kids a once in a lifetime opportunity."

Jones for thinking outside the box and utilizing unique local resources. "Many thanks to Mr. Jones for taking advantage of unique experiences and resources local to Hamilton Heights High School," he said. "It was great to see what the students learned during their class participation in out-of-the-ordinary opportunities in the sports of diving and trampoline."

Wingfield praised

Senior Rudy Bowen shared his positive experience, stating, "The coaches were welcoming and demonstrated the dives well. It was very fun going through the different dives and safety techniques, and they made sure the environment was safe so no injury could be caused."

Senior Gabe Roosa added, "It was a fun and easy trip to try new things. It was cool to learn about what a great diving program we have in our small community and a great, engaging activity."

Jones is not done

thinking outside the box. He has plans for his 2nd period Rec Games class that involve bowling, disc golf, and cornhole, utilizing area residents skilled in those activities to demonstrate and work with the students. His goal is to give them more lifetime experiences above and beyond the books and laptops of the traditional school day."

### Remarkable Power of Public Schools



**ARROWOOD** Guest Columnist

Hamilton Heights School Corporation, Lam honored to serve a community that

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embraces the transformative power of public education. Our public schools are truly remarkable institutions, and I am continually inspired by the dedication and passion of our educators, students, and families.

My experience in a public school helped me to become the best version of myself by giving me opportunities, experiences, role models, and mentors. It also helped pave the way for a

career in education. I

became a classroom teacher and continued my education earning advanced degrees and certifications to become an administrator. Ultimately, I came full circle to serve as Superintendent of Hamilton Heights School Corporation in 2014, the district and community that made such an impact on my life during those formative years.

Strong public schools are the foundation of success for young people across Indiana and across the country. In fact, public schools are a destination of choice for 90% of Hoosier students and are what make our communities stronger.

Public schools are

places where dreams.



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Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood peeks in on engaged students.

are nurtured, potential is realized, and futures are built We want to recognize and celebrate the many reasons why children in our public schools are thriving and why investing in Indiana's public schools pays a lifetime of dividends for its students and the communities in which they live, work,

a few of the reasons: • Public schools are

and play. Here are just

the epitome of inclusivity. They welcome students from all walks of life, providing equal opportunities for every child to learn, grow, and thrive.



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- The heart and soul of our public schools are the dedicated educators who work tirelessly to nurture and guide our students. Their unwavering commitment to excellence and their genuine care for each child's success are what make our schools exceptional. Our teachers not only impart knowledge but also inspire a lifelong love of learning, fostering curiosity and creativity in
- every student. Public schools offer a comprehensive education that prepares students for a wide range of future paths - from rigorous academic programs to diverse extracurricular activities, our schools provide a well-rounded education that helps students discover their passions and
- talents. Public schools are the cornerstone of our communities. They bring together families, educators, and local organizations to create a supportive network that ensures the wellbeing of every child. Our schools serve as community hubs, hosting events, programs, and services that enrich the lives of students and their families. This sense of community fosters a strong connection and a shared commitment to the success of our
- students. Public schools are continually evolving to meet the changing needs of our students and society. Through innovative teaching methods, technology integration, and forward-thinking initiatives, our schools are at the forefront of educational excellence. We are committed to providing our students with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in an everchanging world.

 The impact of public education extends far beyond the classroom. Our public schools lay the foundation for a brighter future by preparing students to be informed, engaged, and responsible citizens. The education they receive today will empower them to shape a better tomorrow for themselves and their communities.

Every day I get to be inspired by our educators, staff, students, families, and community partners who work together because they share in the belief that strong public schools are the foundation of success for young people, the growth of our communities, and instrumental to our country's future. Every day I see successes, accomplishments, achievements, large and small, among both our students and staff - from what I think is one of the best seats in the house. These accomplishments take place on and off our campus, many of which there is little public fanfare but nonetheless incredibly important. This week and every week let's appreciate the incredible contributions of our public schools and the profound impact they have on our lives. Together, we will continue to support and champion public education, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to succeed and thrive.

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

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### COLLEGE NEWS

A host of local students have achieved various honors at their colleges. The Times is proud to recognize these wonderful achievements.

#### Alabama

A host of local students earned academic honors at the University of Alabama for the Fall Semester period. Students named to the Dean's List earned a 3/5 or above GPA and those named to the President's List had an academic record of

President's List Noblesville: Tara Blosser, Connor Meinerding, Megan Meinerding, Aubri Miller and Will Smits. Westfield: Keegan Connor, William Hessler, Ava Reinking, Lana Reinking and Sabrina Richard. Carmel: Jacob Bailey, Joshua Brinkman, Emma Brune, Tenly DeVoe, Hannah Dillon, Christian Dora, McKenzie Henry, Camryn Hoehne, Taylor Krinn, Katherine Mayer, Lyla McKay, Melaina Munson, Maxwell Street, Evan Taller, Jordyn Tate and Delaney Ward. Fishers: Brooke Butts, Lila Chamberlain, Emily Crousore, Alexis Green, Sidney Isaac, Sayla Stock, Ava Trella and Adison Viars. Fortville: Mason Mounts. Indianapolis: Elizabeth Fritz-Kent, Matthew Fritz-Kent, Zach Lemming, Quinten Rostron and Lincoln Straub.

Westfield: Ashlyn Benner, Madysen Rauch, Jacob Schurman and Lillie Crum. Cicero: Stella Duell. Carmel: Grace Covington, Lily Farrell, Ryan Osborn, Jadyn Tate and Michael Ward. Fishers: Paige Cope, Mia Craig, Sydney Lawhead, Zach Pence and Ethan Zentz. Indianapolis: Grace Hurley, Ryan Marsella and Emma Vermilion. McCordsville: Kendyl Bettenhausen. Pendleton: Maddie Roots.

Pendleton: Darcy

Jacobs.

Dean's List

#### **University at Albany** The University at

Albany has recognized Jason Burlison of Fishers, majoring in Psychology, for selection to the Fall 2024 Dean's List. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a grade point average (GPA) of 3.25 or higher in their first semester of study and a GPA of 3.50 or higher in subsequent semesters.

#### **Albion College** Noblesville student

Elaina Hendrix was named to Albion College's Dean's List at the end of the Fall 2024 semester. Albion College's Dean's List recognizes students who achieve a 3.5 or better GPA while taking four

graded courses.

Claire Haupt of Fishers was named to the Fall 2024 Chancellor's List in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Arkansas. To qualify for the Chancellor's

**University of Arkansas** 

List, students must also achieve at least a 4.00 grade-point average for the semester while completing at least 12

#### **Arkansas Little Rock**

credit hours.

**Brooke Cummings of** Carmel has been named to the Chancellor's List and the Dean's List for Fall 2024 at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. UA Little Rock recognizes superior academic performance at the end of each semester. To be named to the UA Little Rock Chancellor's List. a student must have completed at least nine credit hours with a 3.9 GPA or higher.

Augustana College Lexi Woodcock, a Communication Studies, Multimedia Journalism and Mass Communication major from Sheridan, was named to Augustana College's fall semester Dean's List. Students who have earned this academic honor have maintained a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a four-point scale for courses taken during the term.

#### **Aurora University**

Aurora University has named Lyla Bozoian of Westfield to the Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester. Bozoian is majoring in Exercise Science and Finance. The Dean's List recognizes full-time undergraduate students who have earned a 3.6 gradepoint average or higher.

#### **Austin Peay State**

Austin Peay State University is proud to recognize Kevion Wellington from Indianapolis as one of the students named to the Dean's List for academic achievement during Fall 2024. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a semester GPA of 3.5 or greater. Additionally, Austin Peay State University congratulates Ella Barker of Pendleton, on being offered a scholarship for Fall of the 2025-2026 academic year.

**Baldwin Wallace** Clare Alic of Carmel, a graduate of St. Theodore Guerin High School and a psychology major, along with Greyson Johnson of Fishers, a graduate of Hamilton Southeastern High School majoring in sport management and Spanish, each earned Dean's List honors for the fall 2024 semester at Baldwin Wallace University. The Dean's List recognizes students who earn a grade point average of 3.8 or higher while enrolled in 12 or more graded hours during

the semester.

Alic is also a

sophomore All-Ohio Athletic Conference midfielder on the Baldwin Wallace University women's lacrosse team. She was recently named the OAC Offensive Athlete of the Week for the second time in her career.

#### **Bismarck State** College

Taylor Hackel, Noblesville, has been named to the President's Honor Roll with a 4.00 GPA for the Fall 2024 semester at Bismarck State College. Students must maintain at least a 3.50 grade point on a 4.00 scale while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of classes to qualify for the BSC President's Honor Roll.

#### **Bucknell University**

Ava Aguilar, a political science major from Fishers, earned dean's list honors for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2024-25 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition. Hannah Kim, a mechanical engineering major from Carmel was one of a few select students who earned a mentorship in Bucknell's Division of Equity and Inclusive Excellence.

#### Capital University Capital University is

pleased to announce Mackenzie Howard, of Carmel, was named to the President's List for the fall 2024 semester. Capital has three lists denoting academic distinction among fulltime, degree-seeking students: the President's List, Provost's List, and Dean's List. The President's List indicates the highest level of academic distinction. To be named to the President's List, students must have achieved a grade point average of at least 3.85.

#### Carthage College Congratulations to

several local students who have been named to the Carthage College Fall 2024 Dean's List! Dean's List honors are accorded to Carthage students who achieve a minimum 3.5 gradepoint average while carrying at least 12 letter-graded credits in a given semester. Local students are: Jada Propst of Noblesville, Kara Jaynes, Jordan Bopp, Ty Schnepper and Ravynn Hill all of Fishers and Sierra Pienkowski of McCordsville. In addition, Probst traveled as part of Carthage's 2025 J-Term, working on the course Geography and Biology of Nicaragua. J-Term, or January Term, is a special month-long period of study in which Carthage students explore subjects

outside their majors or

minors, discover new

interests, and test their creativity through classes held around the world. Nearly 200 Carthage students participated in one of 11 study tours offered in January.

#### **Cedarville University** A group of local

students earned honors at Cedarville University for the Fall 2024 Semester. Making the Dean's Honor List were Ariella Vanderlaan and Abigail Williamson of Noblesville, Corren Brown of Westfield, Savannah Atkins and Genna Rose of Fishers, Grace Moran and Summer Park of Carmel, Marco Leombruni of Mccordsville and Peter Henrichsen and Abigail Miller of Indianapolis. This recognition requires the student to obtain a 3.75 GPA or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

In addition, several local students were named to the Cedarville Dean's List for the Fall 2024 semester. This recognition requires the student to obtain a 3.50 GPA or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Included in the honors were Caleb Gates and Christopher Vaught of Fishers, Megan Langford and Daniel Leatherwood of Carmel, and Benjamin Burger, Isabella Frazier and Katherine Henrichsen of Indianapolis.

#### **College of Charleston** Several local students

were named to the President's List and the Dean's List for Winter 2024 at the College of Charleston. They are: Lindsey Bork of Noblesville (President's List and majoring in Studio Art), Sophia Brown of Westfield (President's List and majoring in Psychology), Ethan **Howard of Fishers** (Dean's List and undecided major), Jenna Smith of Fishers (President's List, majoring in Accounting), Julia Keadle of Carmel (Dean's List and majoring in Arts Management), and from Indianapolis, Kailey Crose (Dean's List and majoring in Marketing), Catherine Koschnick (Dean's List and majoring in Political Science) and Audra Stanley (Dean's

#### The Citadel Thadeus O'Neill of

Psychology).

List and majoring in

Westfield was recognized for earning inclusion on the President's List for the fall 2024 semester. The President's List is one of the most distinguished cadet awards presented by The Citadel. The list is a combination of the dean's list and the Commandant's Distinguished List and is composed of cadets who contribute the



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most to their companies while maintaining excellent military and academic

In addition, Gavin Coulter of Carme was awarded gold stars for fall 2024 at The Citadel, as was Aiden Raab of Tipton. All three students also earned Dean's List honors. Cadets on that list must have 12 or more semester hours and a grade point average at 3.20 or higher, with no grade of I (Incomplete) and no grade below C for work in a semester.

#### University of the Cumberlands

Jacob Ingle of Noblesville and Kathryn Harrison of Carmel both earned Dean's List honors at the University of the Cumberlands for the fall 2024 semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours (a full course load), maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 for the semester, and be in good academic standing.

Also, Lanie Nish of Indianapolis, was named to the President's List for the fall 2024 semester. To be eligible for the President's List, students must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours (a full course load), maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 4.0 for the semester, receive an "A" grade in UC Engage, and be in good academic standing.

#### **Elmhurst University** Ethan Mason of

Noblesville and Jack Cherry and Ryan Wells of Carmel earned Fall 2024 Dean's List Honors at Elmhurst University. The Dean's List is composed of students who during the term concerned, attained a grade-point average of 3.75 or higher (out of a possible 4.00).

University of **Evansville** A host of local students at the University of Evansville were named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2024 Semester. To merit the honor of being placed on the Dean's List, a student must have carried a full academic load of 12 hours or more and have earned a grade point average of 3.5 or above. The local students are: Caroline Hayward, Esther Knoll and Brayden Doll of Noblesville; Camryn Runner of Cicero; Nandini Mathavan, Catherine Byrne and Evelena Fenter of Carmel; Ishaan Prasad, Saif Abdrabu, Emily Bickel, Mackenzie Carter, Olivia Holding, Hailey St. Louis and Victoria Vance of Fishers; Jaskaran Saini of

McCordsville; Camille

Spencer of Pendleton;

and Brinli Helms of

Indianapolis.

#### Flagler College

Morgan Hicks of Noblesville was among a distinguished group of students who were recognized for their academic excellence earlier this month.

The President's List is compiled in recognition of students achieving a high standard of academic excellence and is distributed by the Office of Academic Affairs. To qualify for this award, Hicks a Criminology major, had to earn at least a 4.0 GPA with at least 12 semester hours of graded credit.

### Franklin College

Several local students were named to the dean's list at Franklin College. They completed a minimum of 12 credit hours during a regular semester, earning a grade point average of at least 3.5 but less than 4.0.

Congratulations to Kaylee Rhoton, a sophomore, from Cicero, Jonathan Hicks, a senior, from Westfield, freshmen Jacob Carroll and Colin Goley from Fishers and Jamie Schlieper, a sophomore, from Carmel.

#### Freed-Hardeman University

Elayna Reynolds, of Noblesville, and Natalie Barker, of Fortville earned Dean's List honors at Freed-Hardeman University. Reynolds is a senior and Barker a sophomore.

To be on the President's List, a student must be fulltime and have a 4.0 grade point average. Students on the Dean's List have earned a minimum 3.4 grade point average for the semester.

#### **Furman University**

David Gabrick and Kayla White of Carmel earned Dean's List status for the fall semester at Furman University. Furman's dean's list is composed of full-time undergraduate students who earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher on a fourpoint system. Gabrick's parents are Michael Gabrick and Elizabeth Gabrick. White's parents are Nicholas White and Michele White.

Georgia Tech Aparupa Brahma of Fishers and Shea Harrell of Carmel students earned the distinction of Faculty Honors for Fall 2024 at the Georgia Institute of Technology. This designation is awarded to undergraduate students who have earned a 4.0 academic average for the semester.

Additionally, Abhijay Salvi of Westfield, Lauren Caldwell of Fishers and Sneha Vashistha of Carmel earned the distinction of Dean's List at the

Georgia Institute of Technology for Fall 2024. This designation is awarded to undergraduate students who have earned a 3.0 or higher academic average for the semester.

And earning degrees during the school's 267th Commencement were Mitchell Tanney of Noblesville, George Boles and Shea Harrell of Carmel and Lance Bertsch and Ethan Piper of Indianapolis.

#### **Hamilton College** Jane Jeong, of

Noblesville has been named to the Dean's List at Hamilton College for the fall 2024 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be a member of the Class of 2025, 2026, or 2027 and have carried a course load of four or more graded credits throughout the semester and earned an average GPA of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.Jeong, a senior majoring in cinema and media studies, is a graduate of Noblesville High

School.

**Indiana University** Rayan Duffy of Noblesville has been named to Orr Fellowship's newest cohort for 2025. She is among 74 talented college seniors who have been matched with leading Indianabased partner companies to embark on a two-year Fellowship upon graduation. She will be partnered with The Heritage Group. Orr Fellowship is an early career development program for versatile high-achievers and future-focused businesses in Indiana. The program recruits, assesses and matches university graduates with high-agency roles in growing Indiana businesses.

#### **Iowa University**

Aratrika Banerjee of Fishers was among the more than 1,000 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the president's list for the 2024 fall semester. Undergraduates who achieve a grade point average (GPA; 4.0 is an A) of 4.0 in 12 semester hours or more of UI graded coursework and who have no "I" marks (incompletes) or "O" marks (no grade reported) on their records for two consecutive semesters (excluding summer session) are recognized by inclusion on the

president's list. In addition, six **Hamilton County** students earned Dean's List honors. They are: Genysee Mihaichuk of Noblesville, Lillian McVay, Nikhil Mehta and Aratrika Banerjee of Fishers and Rachel Drew and Elana Seitz

**Iowa State University** 

of Carmel.

Madison Pooser, a senior interior design major and Reagan Wilson, a first-year management major, both earned Dean's List honors at Iowa State for the fall semester University. Students named to the Dean's List must earn a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course

#### Upper Iowa University Oshuntique Alves, a

work. The students are

from Noblesville.

Business Admin major from Fishers, earned Dean's List honors for the Fall 2024 semester at Upper Iowa University. To be honored, the undergraduate must have earned a minimum 3.50 GPA and be enrolled as a full-time student.

#### **Kennesaw State** University

Jenna Chase of Fishers, an Exercise Science-Interest major, and Mika Ann Maas of McCordsville, majoring in Industrial and Systems Engineering, both earned President's List honors in recognition of their academic excellence for the Fall 2024 semester. To achieve this honor, each undergraduate student must have completed at least nine credit hours with a term grade point average of 4.0. In addition, Fiona Taylor of Indianapolis was named to the school's Fall 2024 Dean's List.

#### University of Kentucky Five local students

were among more than 2,000 undergraduate students who qualified for the Fall 2024 College of Arts and Sciences Dean's List at the University of Kentucky. They are: Maci Huber-Hopper and Shelby Hodge of Noblesville; Jack Phillips of Fishers; Kennedy Maye of Carmel; and Caroline Keltner of Indianapolis.

#### **Kutztown University** Mia Ross Igneri of

Fishers was recently named to the Fall 2024 Dean's List at Kutztown University. To be eligible for the Dean's List, an undergraduate student must be registered for at least 12 credits and have a minimum grade point average of 3.60.

#### **Lewis University** Two Hamilton County

students were among more than 1,700 students were honored on the Lewis University Dean's List for the 2024 Fall Semester. Jonathan Kosycarz of Fishers and Seth Nanna of Carmel achieved the high honor. Kosycarz is studying Aviation Flight Technology at Lewis University **Aviation Science** Technology and Nanna is studying Business Administration at

Lewis University

Business.

#### **Loras College**

Cana Duckworth from Carmel achieved Dean's List status at Loras College in Iowa for the 2024 fall semester. A student must earn a 3.5 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours to be recognized.

#### **Manchester University** The following local

students earned a place

on the Fall 2024 Dean's List for their academic achievements at Manchester University: Cole MacKintosh of Noblesville, studying **Exercise Science &** Fitness; Aiden Bryant of Atlanta, studying Biology-Chemistry; Faith Hittle of Cicero, studying Biology-Chemistry; Anna Jozsa of Cicero, studying Sport Management; Alvaro Rincon of Westfield, studying Accounting and Finance; Clay Stults of Carmel, studying Software Engineering; William Jacobs of Mccordsville, studying Marketing; Arturo Casas of Pendleton, studying **Exercise Science &** Fitness; Tama Edmonson of Indianapolis, studying Nursing; Chloe Eller of Tipton, studying **Exercise Science &** Fitness; Erin Grant of Indianapolis, studying Social Work; Carly Ripberger of Tipton, studying Biology-Chemistry and Philosophy & Religious Studies; and Abigail Rosenkrans of Pendleton, studying

Undergraduate students earning a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher who have completed at least 12 semester hours with no more than three hours of Pass/Not Pass grades are included on the Dean's List. Students with more than one hour of Incomplete (I) or Not Recorded (NR) grades at the end of the semester are not eligible for the Dean's List.

Finance.

#### **Marquette University** The following local

students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Nathan Goergen (Political Science) and **Brooks Holtkamp** (Philosophy) from Noblesville; Allison Bullock (Physician Assistant Studies) from Westfield' and from Carmel, Elena Harrie (Nursing).

To make the Dean's List, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the fall 2024 semester and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college - for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences, undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7 to be named

to the Dean's List.

In addition, Tori Kalman

of Fishers graduated

from Marquette with a

Bachelor of Arts degree in English.

#### **Maryland Global** Campus

Six local students were

part of more than 16,000 University of Maryland Global Campus students who were named to the Dean's List for the fall 2024 term. To be eligible for the honor, a student must complete at least six credits during the term, earned a grade point average of at least 3.5 for the term, and maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5

The local students are: Blake Mcdonald and Ricardo Nathan of Fishers, Brian Phan and Rutger Vermeullen of Carmel, Claire Uglum of Westfield and Jayden Weileman of Indianapolis.

at UMGC.

In addition, Ricardo Nathan of Fishers earned a Bachelor of Science in Health Services Management and Karis Mattingly of Carmel earned a Bachelor of Science Summa Cum Laude/President's List in Psychology. Both graduated in the fall

#### **McKendree University**

2024 tern.

Kyle Cortner of Fishers was named to the McKendree University fall 2024 semester Dean's List for earning a grade point average of 3.60 or higher.

#### Miami University Miami University

top 3 percent of

students ranked in the

undergraduate students within each division for the fall 2024 semester have been named to the President's list recognizing academic excellence. A large contingency of local students were included this semester in the honor. They include Anastasia Damick of Noblesville; Cyle Ginsberg, Kirsten Cobb and Julia Bohn of Westfield; Jaydon Paquette, Dylan Ball, Annie Christie, Jenna Lindeman, Ava Loria, Lizzie Nichols, Sienna Shapiro, Katelyn Wang, Jillian Sager and Reegan Hahn of Carmel; Ava Hunt, Jillian Flinta, Kate Lantzer, Gretchen Osmun, Elise Wiggers, Sophie Adolay, Logan Hubbard, Maddie Stookey, Andrew Finkelmeier, Audrey Fitzgerald, Luke VanDenBergh and Riley Maher of Fishers;

Local students who made the Dean's List at Miami include Sean Halvorsen and Sean McMahon of Noblesville; Tyler Dikos, Sofia DePasquale, Owen Dossett, Kate Loftus, Maddie Meyer and Lauren Harvey of Westfield; Ally Britton-Heitz, Ava Laufter, Lily Rose, Chase Becker, Sydney Booth, Ella

Alli Hedrick of

Indianapolis; and Ava

Matas of Fortville.

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Burnham, Phoebe Conley, Grace Lappin, Colin Lasek, Andrew Willman, Henna Dhamecha, Madelyn Wood, Cara Naas and Lindsay Rieg of Carmel; Claire Bolinger, Sarah Kiffmeyer, Brytni Mathews, Ashley Robertson, Elle Webster, Riley Watkins, Kyle Boatman, Alyssa De Smet, Sarah Majeski, Madeline Shell and Ashley Springer; and Raegan Joris, Elliott Linneweber, Anna Shea, Zack Goldberg and Cole Riggle of

And four local students were awarded degrees during commencement. They are: Ilsa Shaikh and Sydney Becker of Carmel, Ally Britton-Heitz of Westfield and Logan Hubbard of Fortville.

Indianapolis.

#### **Midway University**

Katelynn Miller of Atlanta has been named to its Dean's List for the 2024 Fall Semester at Midway University. To be named to the list, a student must be classified full-time and obtain a 3.60 grade point average for the semester. There were 424 students who made the Dean's List.

#### Millikin University

Matthew Kordesh of Fishers, Kendallyn Davison of Westfield and Sarah Semon of Indianapolis made the High Dean's List for Fall 2024 at Millikin University. Students who attempt 12 graded credits during a fall or spring semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher earn Dean's List honors. Students earning a perfect 4.00 grade point average on 12 graded credits attempted earn High Dean's List honors.

#### Milwaukee School of **Engineering**

Dani Mendez of Noblesville and Cameron Konicek of Carmel earned 2024 Fall Semester Dean's List honors at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. Mendez is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and Konicek is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.

#### Minnesota Duluth

University of

Adam Bauer, a sophomore from Westfield, earned Dean's List honors for Fall Semester 2024. Students on the Dean's List have achieved a grade point average of 3.50 or higher while earning a minimum of 12 lettergraded credits.

#### University of Mississippi

One student from Noblesville and five from Fishers were recently honored when they achieved Chancellor's Honor Roll. Amelia Mays, of Noblesville, is in the B.A. in Allied Health

Studies program. From

Fishers, Kylie Clement, in the B.A.Ed. in Special Education program Kaylee Etheredge, in the B.B.A. in Finance program; Paige Goodnight, in the B.S. in Integrated Mktg. Communications program; Elizabeth Sliwa, in the B.S. in **Biological Science** program; and Sidney Sloan, in the B.A.Ed. in **Elementary Education** program. The Chancellor's Honor Roll is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.75-4.00.

In addition, three students from Carmel achieved inclusion in the Dean's Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.50-3.74. They are: Braedon McIntyre, in the B.S.B.E. in Biomedical Engineering program; Claire Medley, in the B.S. in Integrated Mktg. Communications program; and Hallie Reeves, in the B.S. in Integrated Mktg. Communications program.

#### Mississippi State

Gabrielle Amos of Cicero was named to the Mississippi State University fall 2024 President's List. Students on the President's List achieved a 3.80 or better grade-point average, based on a 4.0 scale, while completing at least 12 semester hours of coursework with no incomplete grades or grades lower than a C. After earning President's List honors, she was among approximately 1,500 students graduating, receiving her Bachelor of Business Adm Summa Cum Laude from MSU's College of Business.

#### Missouri State University

Savannah McClure of Noblesville and Madelynn Ayen of Fishers earned Dean's List honors at Missouri State for the fall 2024 term. For undergraduate students, criteria include enrollment in at least 12 credit hours during the fall semester and at least a 3.50 grade point average (on a 4.00 scale).

Also at MSU, Andre Simmons of Noblesville graduated with honors and a Master of Business Administration degree. Students who graduated with honors completed at least 30 credit hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5.

#### Megan Dailey, a social

Monmouth College

science education major from Pendleton, has made the Dean's List at Monmouth College for the Fall 2024 semester. To achieve the honor, a student needed at least a 3.5 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale while earning at least

three academic

credits.

#### **Mount Union**

The University of Mount Union has announced that Jaci Scherb, of Carmel has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester.

Scherb was one of 801 students named to the Dean's List. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must have completed at least 12 credit hours of traditionally graded coursework while achieving a grade point average of 3.550 or better with no letter grade below a B.

#### Nebraska

Two local students were part of more than 7,300 University of Nebraska-Lincoln students named to the Deans' List for the fall semester of the 2024-25 academic year.

They are: Reese Elle Keetle of Carmel, a freshman marketing major and Lucy Elizabeth Loy, a senior accounting major from Fishers. Both earned the honor in Nebraska's College of Business.

Qualification for the Deans' List varies among the eight undergraduate colleges and the Explore Center. Listed below are the minimum requirements for each entity and the name of its respective dean or director. All qualifying grade-point averages are based on a fourpoint scale and a minimum number of graded semester hours. Students can be on the Deans' List for more than one college.

#### The College of New Jersey

Nicholas Viola, a Computer Engineering major from Fishers, earned the esteemed honor of placement on the Dean's List at The College of New Jersey for the fall 2024 semester. To achieve this honor, a student must carry 12 or more credits that semester and earn a 3.5 (or above) grade point average.

#### Northern Illinois University

Samuel Divis, a health science-pre-physical therapy major from Noblesville and Aubrey Robertson, a nutrition, dietetics & wellness major from Fishers earned Dean's List honors at Northern Illinois. To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and

James earned a

Bachelor of Science

Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts. In additional NIU news, Fishers' Courtney

degree in Educ in SPED-Learning Behavior Specialist I with PEL. She joined more than 1,150 students who received their degrees from Northern Illinois University in December.

#### **Olivet Nazarene** University

Ethan Austin of Noblesville, Broderick McAfee of Westfield, Matios Benson and Tyler Hall of Fishers and Kyle Byers and Will Byers of Carmel earned Dean's List status at Olivet Nazarene for the Fall 2024 Semester. To qualify for inclusion on the Dean's List, a student must have been enrolled as a fulltime undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

#### **Purchase College**

Elise McIntyre has been named to Purchase College's Dean's List for the Fall 2024 semester. McIntyre, who is a resident of Noblesville, is studying Theatre Design/Technology. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must carry a semester GPA of 3.5 for Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science programs and 3.75 for Bachelor of Fine Arts and Bachelor of Music Performance programs. They must take a minimum of 12 credits.

#### **Roger Williams** University

Cara Harvey, of Fishers has been named to the Fall 2024 Dean's List at Roger Williams University, in Bristol, R.I. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

### Saint Mary's

A dozen Hamilton County students were honored at St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, Ind. by earning inclusion on the fall 2024 Dean's List.

Noblesville: Kori Dues, Miley Smith and Sarah Whitten.

Carnel: Shannon Larkey, Grace Leber, Odessa Norton, Sadee Paulson, Savannah Paulson, Kathryn Tiplick and Eleanor York.

and Ruby Schnitzius. **Samford University** 

Fishers: Laynie Cheek

Samford University recognized 2,230 students named to the Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester. Seven local students were included in that list.

To qualify for the dean's list, a student must have earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 while attempting at least 12 credit hours of coursework. The

Dean's List is the

highest academic recognition given by the school at the end of each semester.

The local students

(and their majors) are: Norah Thompson of Cicero (Christian/Religious Studies), Aiden Amaya (Pre-Business) and Kaylee Bowers (Undeclared) of Westfield; Megan Coffey (Communication Studies) and William Tuckis (Biology) from Fishers; Anna Howard of Carmel (Early Chldhd / Elem / Spec Ed); and Agnes Moriarty (Biology).

#### **Seton Hall University** Seton Hall University is pleased to announce Josephine Wise of Fishers has qualified

for the Fall 2024

After the close of

Dean's List.

every semester, undergraduate students completing all courses with a GPA of 3.4, with no grades lower than "C", qualify for the Dean's List.

#### **University of Southern** Indiana

In recognition of outstanding academic achievement, the University of Southern Indiana Dean's List has been released for the 2024 Fall Semester. Dr. Shelly Blunt, USI Provost, announced a total of 2,088 undergraduate students were named to the Dean's List.

Undergraduate students must achieve a 3.5 or better semester GPA (on a 4.0 system) to be named to the list. Students earning no incomplete (IN) or missing (Z) grades for the term and earning letter grades of computable point value Satisfactory/ Unsatisfactory and Pass/No Pass graded courses do not apply) in 12 or more semester hours, with a semester GPA between 3.5 and 4.0, are named to the list.

Noblesville: Addyson G. Allen, Ava K. Chevillet, Erika R. Fitzgearld, Kaitlyn E. Fuquay, Natalea J. Hise, Morgan A. Kottka, Chloe L. Pickrell, Kathryn D. Radican, Emily E. Rollo, Jake F. Sands and Kourtney A. Swart.

Curtis, Jacob H. Mills, Davienna Nkwangwanya, Anandkumar A. Patel, Parker L. Provost and Jonah H. Sullivan.

Westfield: Virginia A.

Santonastaso

Sheridan: Noelle K.

Carmel: Vamsi K. Duvvuri, Reese P. Hoover, Krishna Jayasankar, Medha Krishnan, Jessica L. Kurtz, Alexis M. Peterson, Maya Seshan, Arya N. Shah, Adam W. Stelchek, Nicholas Stelchek and Adwita R. Yemme.

Fishers: Catherine R.

Hotchkiss, William C.

Kirchhofer, Surya

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Logeswaran, Elissa R. Mitchell, Sreya Myneni, Andrew L. Smith, Lexi R. Smith, Mason P. Sweeney and Riya N. Talati.

Fortville: Victoria E. Brown, Mihir Pantula and Chloe N. Wright.

#### Southern New **Hampshire University**

Southern New Hampshire University recently recognized students for being named to the Fall 2024 President's List and Dean's List, including several from Hamilton County. The fall terms run from September to December.

minimum grade-point average of 3.700): Noblesville Tani Ferguson of Noblesville, Savannah Simmonds, Kimberly Heck, Olivia Schilling, Brennon Mattox, Bethany Westphal, Abigail Drew and Britney Piljagic of Noblesville.

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Westfield Justin Gross, Zach Fritz and Natalya Pepelea.

Cicero Laura Fishback.

### **Fishers**

Anthony Ambs, Kailey Durham, Ella Hatfield, Morgan Randall, Waeil Mikhaeil, Teena Sukhwal and David Lammers.

Carmel Marlena Oneal, Silexis Townsend and RayAnn Noble.

#### Others

Mathew Heffernan of Pendleton, Eric Crow of Kirklin and Skyler Wickstrom of Fortville.

Dean's List (a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699) Maha Hassan of Noblesville, Aeriel Emerson of Carmel, Sam Kimmel of Fortville, and Jada Petty and Tristen

#### St. Mary-of-the-Woods College

More than 490

Evans of Indianapolis.

students, including three locals, were recognized for their outstanding academic performance over the fall 2024 semester at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College by being named to the Dean's List. Achieving Dean's List Honors were Claire Thompson of Westfield, Melissa Thorsen of Fishers and Charles Harr of Indianapolis. Stephanie Picarra of Carmel and Abigail Parker of Tipton each achieved Dean's List High Honors. And Anna Lee of Carmel, Abigail Morehead and Keegan

#### Three local students were named to the

University of Tampa

Stein of Fishers and

Dean's List Highest

Honors.

Pendleton all achieved

Arin Anderson of

dean's list for the Fall 2024 semester at the



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Sydney Wegner of Fishers is a freshman majoring in Communication and Media Studies BA; Sophie Bradburn, of Indianapolis is a senior majoring in Allied Health BS; and William Lewis, of Indianapolis is a sophomore majoring in Education-Elementary (K-6) BS.

Students must maintain a GPA of 3.75 or higher to be eligible

for the dean's list. **Trine University** Several local students were named to the President's List at Trine University for the Fall 2024 Term. They are: Brett Baker of Noblesville, majoring in Design Engineering Technology; Jocelyn Love of Noblesville, majoring in Exercise Science; Avelyn McCall of Noblesville, majoring in Biology; Camden Prather of Noblesville, majoring in Biomedical Engineering; Hayden Smith of Noblesville, majoring in Mechanical Engineering; Gavin Woodrum of Noblesville, majoring in Civil Engineering; Carly Hutcherson of Arcadia, majoring in Exercise Science; Evalyn Bellotti of Carmel, majoring in Biology; Gavin Cline of Carmel, majoring in Electrical Engineering; Jamie Le of Carmel, majoring in Mechanical Engineering; Emma Beehler of Fishers, majoring in Exercise Science-Pre Phys Therapy 3+3; Fletcher Burton of Fishers, majoring in Finance; Daphne Bush of Fishers, majoring in Civil Engineering; Zachary Courtney of Fishers, majoring in Computer Engineering; Aja Gupton of Fishers, majoring in Industrial Engineering Technology; Jace Hofmann of Fortville, majoring in Finance; Logan Lara of Fortville, majoring in Mechatronics & Robotics Engineering; Addison Lockwood of Fortville, majoring in Finance; Braden Duncan of Pendleton, majoring in Design Engineering Technology; Gabriel Perrel of Pendleton, majoring in Computer Sci and Information Tech; Hannah Wilson of Pendleton, majoring in Elementary Education; Samantha Mink of Dillsboro, majoring in General Studies; Nathan Leap of Tipton, majoring in Computer Engineering; Nathan Goossen of Indianapolis, majoring in Mechatronics & Robotics Engineering;

Elton Langley of Indianapolis, majoring in Computer Sci and Information Tech; and Sydney Strolberg of Indianapolis, majoring in Computer Engineering. To earn President's List honors, students

must complete a minimum of 12 hours and have a grade point

average of 3.750-4.000. In addition, several local students earned Dean's List honors for the Fall 2024 Term. They are: Tyler Rohn of Noblesville, majoring in Computer Engineering; Lakin Hittle of Cicero, majoring in Finance; Tyler Lyons of Fishers, majoring in Computer Sci and Information Tech; Andrew Pozzebon of Fishers, majoring in Finance; Andrew Spirrison of Fishers, majoring in **Business** Administration; Eryn Pikus of Carmel, majoring in Mechanical Engineering; Evan Sosinsky of Carmel, majoring in Design Engineering Technology; Andrew Spirrison of Fishers, majoring in Business Administration; Ryan Cast of Indianapolis, majoring in Biochemistry; Aubrey Duncan of Pendleton, majoring in Elementary Education/Special Ed Dual Licensure; and Dustin Knecht of Pendleton, majoring in Computer Sci and

To earn Dean's List honors, students must complete a minimum of 12 hours and have a grade point average of 3.500-3.749.

Information Tech.

In addition, several local students completed degrees at Trine at the end of the Fall 2024 term. They

Landon Barrow of Noblesville, majoring in Civil Engineering; Hayden Smith of Noblesville, majoring in Mechanical Engineering; Darren Lloyd of Carmel, majoring in Communication; Suman Sirigari of Carmel, majoring in Master of Business Administration; Meagan Cervantes of Indianapolis, majoring in Master of Physician Assistant Studies; and Kelsey Carnes of Indianapolis, majoring in Master of Physician Assistant Studies.

Additionally, the Trine **University Wind** Ensemble will bring "Music from the Silver Screen" to the Ryan Concert Hall in the T. Furth Center for the Performing Arts, beginning at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23 and Eryn Pikus of Carmel, majoring in Mechanical Engineering, will perform with the wind ensemble on horn. The concert is free and open to the public.

Also in Trine student news, Grace Dubec, a management major from Carmel, finished eighth in the nation in the Corporate Partnerships division at the annual National Collegiate Sports Sales Championship (NCSSC) competition, held Jan. 21 and 22 at State Farm Arena in Atlanta, Ga. Brock Barger, a marketing major from Westfield, placed second in the Trine Sales and Marketing Association held its

second annual KSB

Collegiate Sales Cup.

#### **Trinity Christian** College

Kara VanDyke of Fishers earned Dean's List honors at Trinity Christian College for the fall 2024 term. The Dean's List is Trinity Christian College's highest academic honor. It is recognized for traditional undergraduate students who achieve a semester GPA of 3.5 or better in 12 or more credits with grade points.

#### **Tufts University**

Angela Chen, Class of 2025 of Westfield, was named to the dean's list at Tufts University for the fall 2024 semester. Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

#### Wabash College

Wabash College has announced that 47 **Hamilton County** students are on the Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester. These students maintained a 3.5 grade point average or better on a 4.0-point scale.

Noblesville: Mark A. Berger, Jacob G. Edwards Jr., Carson A. Fettig, Gage J. Gulley, Landon J. Huber, David J. Leal, Cooper H. Navarro, John E. Wagner and Zachary R. Wagner.

Westfield: Evan T. Bair, Benjamin B. Church, Jordan S. Donsky, Benjamin B. Church, Jordan S. Donsky, Jackson T. Gilbert, John F. Huisden, Ike T. O'Neill, Justin L. Santiago and Aidan J. Walker.

Sheridan: James J. Ransford.

Arcadia: Miles C. Goss

Carmel: Ryan W. Bartley, Jehan M. Boyers, Cameron J. Fecht, William H. Fremion, Henry G. Giesel, Owen T. Hauber, Ethan M. Johns, Troy A. Jonas, Jackson C. Leeper, Aidan A. McConnell. Matthew McIlvenna, Evan J. Neukam, Nathanael E. Plake, Nathan J. Powell, Augustin J. Sanchez, Matthew R. Stitle, Quinn P. Sweeney, Egan Williams and Shad A. Wilson.

Paul R. Glenn Jr., Quinn M. Hundt, Kade J. Irwin, Augustus J. Isaac, Colin M. Krekeler, Quinn P. Manford and Jacob T. Weber.

Fishers: Kaleb L. Faber,

#### **University of West** Alabama

Evan Bourdon has been named to the University of West Alabama's Fall 2024 Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement. An Engineering Technology major from Sheridan, Bourdon is a member of the class of 2028.

The Dean's List gives recognition to those undergraduate

students those with

grade-point averages between 3.25 and 3.79, completing at least twelve semester credit hours, with no grade lower than a "C."

#### Western Carolina University Samantha Smith of

Carmel was named to the Western Carolina University Fall 2024 Chancellor's List. To qualify for the Chancellor's List, students must earn a GPA of 3.8 or higher while completing a minimum of 12 credit hours. Students named to the Chancellor's List are also named to the Dean's List.

#### Wichita State University

Dhruveer Singh from Fishers earned a Master of Science in Management Science & Supply Chain Management at Wichita State University.

#### William & Mary

Hannah Jackson of Cicero and Martina Queijo of Carmel were recently named to the Dean's List at the College of William & Mary for the fall 2024 semester.

In order to achieve Dean's List status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester.

#### Wisconsin-Eau Claire Emma Friesth of

University of

Fishers earned inclusion to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire fall 2024 deans list. Friesth is enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences. To be eligible, a student must: Be in good academic standing; have a minimum semester GPA of 3.70: have completed at least 12 credits during the semester, with no incompletes, no courses below the 100 level, no repeats and no Satisfactory/ Unsatisfactory registrations.

#### Wisconsin-Madison Seven Hamilton

University of

County students earned Dean's List honors at the University of Wisconsin-Madison for the fall semester of the 2024-2025 academic

The seven are Joe Augustine and Emma Langsford, both from Fishers and both in the College of Letters and Science. Five students were from Carmel -Madeline Balanoff (School of Education), Lauren Kennedy (School of Education), Rainie Lin (College of Letters and Science), **Brooke Thoren** (College of Letters and Science) and Elyse Wiener (College of Agricultural & Life Science). Students who achieve at a high level academically are

recognized by the

dean at the close of

each semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester.

#### **UW- Platteville**

Izzy Streeter, a Marketing major at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, earned Dean's List honors for the fall 2024 Semester. Dean's List, honors those fulltime students who earned a grade-point average of 3.75 and above in the fall 2024 semester.

#### **UW-Stevens Point**

Sarah Winchell of Fishers earned Highest Honors for the Fall 2024-25 semester at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Full-time undergraduates who earned grade points of 3.90 to 4.0 (4.0 equals straight A) are given the highest honors designation.

#### **UW-Whitewater**

Ashnaya Gupta from Carmel, who is studying Human Performance at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, has earned a roster spot on the Warhawk gymnastics team for the 2025 season. UW-Whitewater placed second at both the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference/National Collegiate Gymnastics

**Association West** Regional Championship and the NCGA National Championships in 2024.

#### Worcester Polytechnic Institute Worcester Polytechnic

Institute announced

that Devin Mihaichuk of Noblesville, a member of the class of 2026 majoring in Computer Science, was named to the university's Dean's List for academic excellence for the fall 2024 semester. The criteria for the WPI Dean's List differ from that of most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average. Instead, WPI students are named to the Dean's List based on the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and hands-on projects.

#### Youngstown State University

Madeline Bellaver of Fishers, majoring in Nursing, has been named to the Dean's List at Youngstown State University for Fall Semester 2024. Dean's List recognition is awarded to full-time undergraduate students who have earned at least a 3.4 grade point average for not less than 12 semester hours of credit in the Fall semester.

