

■ TODAY'S VERSE

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

■ HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

Ella Community Pharmacy is partnering with the Westfield Police Department to host a Drug Take Back event. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to noon at Ella Community Pharmacy, 211 Jersey St. in Westfield. Drug Take Back events provide a free, safe and anonymous way to dispose of old and unneeded medications, reducing prescription drug abuse and preventing accidental poisonings in our community.

■ ADOPT A PET ARIZONA



Arizona is a senior sweetheart with the sweetest frosted face that melts hearts with just one look. This 8-year-old female Pit Bull Terrier has been available for adoption at HSHC since 2/20/26. She loves her toys and will proudly prance around with one like she just won a prize. Every now and then, she'll even flip it into the air just for fun, and it's absolutely adorable to watch. To meet Arizona, please fill out an adoption application at hamiltonhumane.com/adopt, then stop by HSHC anytime 12-5 PM daily (closed Wednesday).



T-minus 9 days and counting to the Big Tax Day! Just for the record, when the Don took office this time around the national debt was just under \$20 trillion. Today it's approaching \$40 trillion. Just wanted you to know what you're paying them for.

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I like to pay taxes. With them, I buy civilization."

Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr.

■ JOKE OF THE DAY

Why did the farmer bury his money?

To make his soil rich.

The TIMES



NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

www.THETIMES24-7.com | 50¢

Grab the Umbrellas - It's April Showers **BY THE NUMBERS**

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!

Almost a week of April is in the books and we haven't exactly been deluged with April showers. Still, we all know how it goes . . . April showers bring May flowers. Of course that got our curious minds wondering here at the Sagamore News Media world-wide headquarters. So we sent our intrepid reporting staff out to find out exactly what is behind these April Showers . . . By The Numbers!

.03 to .05

One drop of rain weighs around .03 to .05 grams.

1 pound

Here's a question for some of you to ponder, while some of you smile. How much does a pound of rain weigh?



4.3

Our part of Indiana usually averages around 4.3 inches of rain during April, making it one of the soggiest months of the year.

42 percent

When you wake up in the morning on any given day this month, you can expect about a 42 percent chance of rain that day.

12

Out of the 30 days in the month, typically we'll see about 12 days of rain.

.019

There is a desert in South America that hardly ever gets rain. The Atacama Desert – which is in Chile and Peru – is the driest place on the planet. It only gets about .019 inches of rainfall a year. We'll bet it doesn't have many May flowers!



120

It takes a little, tiny raindrop about two minutes to fall from the cloud at around 2,500 feet to the ground . . . where, like anything else falling from that height, it goes splat!



4th

Finally, April is the fourth wettest month – on average – in Indiana. It's actually the start of the four. After April's 4.3 inches, May gets 4.75, June is the most at 4.95 and July has 4.42.

We hope you enjoyed our fun with rain – now don't forget your umbrella!

■ THREE THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

1. Last week, Indiana First Lady Maureen Braun announced that every child under age five in Indiana is now eligible to receive a free book each month through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Indiana. She shared in a video announcement on Wednesday that the program is officially available in all 92 counties, marking a major milestone for early childhood literacy across Indiana. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Indiana mails high-quality, age-appropriate books each month to children from birth to age five at no cost to their families. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Indiana is made possible through a partnership between the Dollywood Foundation, the State of Indiana, the Hoosier HOPE Foundation, and dedicated Local Program Partners who bring the program to life in their communities.

2. DuJuan McCoy, Owner, President, and CEO of Circle City Broadcasting (parent company of WISH-TV and MyINDY-TV 23) is the new owner of WRTV-ABC, purchasing it from The E.W. Scripps Company. The \$83 million transaction means that WRTV joins Circle City Broadcasting's growing media portfolio, which includes WISH-TV, MyINDY-TV 23, Circulus Digital Media, Circle City Broadcasting Entertainment and the All Indiana Podcast Network. The addition of WRTV expands Circle City Broadcasting's presence across television, digital and audio platforms and brings another established local news brand under the company's umbrella. Together, the combined platforms deliver expanded content, broader audience reach and new opportunities across Indiana. The deal closed following FCC approval.

3. After months of grey skies and heavy coats, spring doesn't simply show up - it changes the mood of a place. But some places don't just brighten up; they put on a full-blown seasonal performance. Portland Real Estate polled 3,012 real estate agents to uncover the places across the U.S. that feel truly magical when spring rolls in – and the great Hoosier state had three in the top 120. Coming in at 27 was downtown Bloomington where daffodils, redbuds and dogwoods bloom, complementing the limestone buildings and walkable streets around the courthouse square. In 72nd place was Meridian-Kessler in Indianapolis. People stay in Meridian-Kessler for decades, and each April offers a clear reminder of why. Daffodils, cherry blossoms and magnolias line the streets of one of Indianapolis's most established residential neighborhoods, where Tudor, Colonial, and Craftsman homes look particularly handsome surrounded by mature landscaping. It's the kind of neighborhood where the spring color feels like a reward for loyalty. And Indy had the 111th spot, Lockerbie Square. Cobblestone streets and Victorian cottages – that's the first impression, and it only improves from there. Crocuses and tulips brighten this compact historic district just east of downtown each spring, bringing locals out to tend their gardens and chat with neighbors. Nationally, Central Park West in New York, Myers Park in Charlotte, N.C. and the Garden District in New Orleans were the top three.

Early Voting Locations Open Tuesday

Two early voting locations in Noblesville are set to open on Tuesday, April 7, with eight other locations opening later on April 22. Dates, times, and locations are as follows:

Noblesville
Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville

- April 7-10 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- April 13-17 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- April 20-24 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- April 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- April 27-May 1 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- May 2 from 9:00 to 4:00 p.m.
- May 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Hamilton County Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville

- April 7-10 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- April 13-17 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- April 20-25 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- April 27-May 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- May 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

See **VOTING Page 4**

Symphony on Prairie Returns

Get ready for another unforgettable summer at *Kroger Symphony on the Prairie!* The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra announces its 2026 season, featuring an exciting lineup of orchestral favorites, blockbuster film music, and high-energy tribute performances at the scenic Conner Prairie Amphitheatre in Fishers.

Tickets for the 2026 season go on sale Tuesday, April 7 at 11 a.m. Concerts begin June 26 and continue through Labor Day weekend, offering a full summer of live music under the stars.

From rock classics and iconic film scores to the patriotic tradition of Star-Spangled Symphony, this year's lineup is sure to make your summer sizzle. From classic hits of the 1960s and 70s to contemporary pop and rock, the ISO offers music for the whole family to enjoy!

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra will perform 11 concerts this season, bringing audiences music from some of the most beloved artists and franchises of all time. Programs include the music of *Star Wars*, *Harry Potter*, and Disney favorites, along with electrifying symphonic programs celebrating Earth, Wind & Fire, the biggest hits of the 1980s, and smooth Yacht Rock classics.

See **RETURNS Page 5**

The TIMES

54 N. 9th St. Noblesville IN 46060

Main: 317-773-9960
thetimes24-7.com

CSO Season Finale April 18

Join us Saturday, April 18, at 7 p.m. as the Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) wraps up its 2025 – 2026 season with a journey through four exciting and meaningful works for a full symphony orchestra. The night will include pieces by Antonín Dvořák, Cristina Spinei, Gustav Mahler and Felix Mendelssohn. The CSO will be under the direction of guest conductor Kelly Corcoran. The concert will be at the Payne & Mencias Palladium at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts.



**Conductor
Kelly Corcoran**

The full repertoire will include:

- Antonín Dvořák – Carnival Overture, op. 92
- Cristina Spinei – ...throes of increasing wonder
- Gustav Mahler – Adagio from Symphony No. 5
- Felix Mendelssohn – Symphony No. 5, op. 107, "Reformation"

"This exciting season finale is the perfect way to get inspired by the lively and joyful pieces in the repertoire. Nothing compares to the experience of attending a live concert performance by a full symphony in a concert hall like the Payne & Mencias Palladium. We hope you will join us," said Nancy Sutton, CSO Board Chair.

Dvořák's *Carnival Overture* celebrates the bountiful joy we find in life. It shimmers with delight, imbued with life from the first note to the last. Written in 1891, *Carnival* was composed just two years before Dvořák set sail for America. The piece is meant to depict a lively scene at a traditional Czech carnival, an illustration of what it means to be alive in his native land.

Spinei's work ...throes of increasing wonder (originally composed for ballet performance) is shimmering, light, and lavish in its own way. Spinei is an up-and-coming composer out

of Nashville, Tennessee. She studied composition at The Juilliard School with composer Christopher Rouse. Spinei's ...throes of increasing wonder was commissioned by The Pacific Northwest Ballet company in celebration of their 50th anniversary season.

Mahler's *Adagio* for strings and harp reminds us of our own stories of boundless love for those closest to us. This piece flows slowly with complete loving adoration, enjoying the passing of time. The origin of the piece is born out of the composer's love for his wife, Alma Schindler, the socialite of her day – the "It Girl" of Austrian culture. She was a composer and musician in her own right, but upon falling in love with Mahler in 1901, she relinquished her musical career in service of his.

Mendelssohn's Fifth Symphony, "Reformation," is its own wonder of composition, contemplating the great themes of faith and life. Mendelssohn's masterwork will surely leave you in awe, juxtaposing "old style" polyphony (featuring two or more simultaneous, independent melodic lines that interact harmoniously) and his own ubiquitous style. The piece was received poorly when it was first performed, but it would be found and published decades after Mendelssohn's death. The "Reformation" symphony has posthumously earned a lasting space in the orchestral canon.

Tickets can be purchased for CSO's *Symphonic Odyssey* online at TheCenterPresents.org or by calling the Fifth Third Bank Box Office at (317) 843-3800.



Andy and wife Marcia pose on one of the outside entrances to the house.



Photos courtesy Andy Chandler

No U.S. flag at President Tyler's monument? No problem.

Getting Permission From President's Grandson



**ANDY
CHANDLER**
Columnist

Dateline Charles City, Va. The 2020 September morning in the James Peninsula in Virginia was interrupted by a stern voice: "What are you doing here? We're closed til 9."

I glanced at my watch; 8:55 a.m. "Seriously? Five minutes?" I gave her a Breakfast Club "get real" look.

"What are you doing here anyway? I should call the sheriff on you."

That's a really good question. During my visits to presidential sites in Virginia, I wanted to visit two of the plantations along the James River. Berkeley 100, birthplace of William Henry Harrison, and Sherwood Forest, home of John Tyler. My wife Marcia and I were in the driveway at Sherwood.

By then another car had pulled up and two men, the site director and a security guard got out. We explained our situation and I explained that the porch was where John Tyler learned he'd become President of the United States; bringing on the first presidential transition by death.

Throughout history, the death of a non-hereditary leader brought war and chaos. This was peaceful.

The director realized

we were serious, and we both relaxed. It was a few months after George Floyd in Minneapolis, and sites along the James River had been receiving arson and death threats. I told him I understood the caution, but we're just history nerds.

He got on the phone and spoke with Harrison Tyler. The last name was not a coincidence. Harrison Tyler is the grandson of President Tyler. Ignoring COVID restrictions, Tyler instructed him to let us tour the house. I yelled out "thank you sir." He replied back, "ya'll enjoy now."

Sherwood is, at 300 feet, the longest framed house in America. Longer than the White House. President Tyler expanded it to make room for his ever-growing family. At 15 children between two marriages, he had the most children of any U.S. President.

Sherwood is unusual: The Tyler family still lives there. Near the back entranceway, is the family cemetery with an empty plot: John Tyler was supposed to be buried there, but his death in Richmond as a Confederate Congressman at the beginning of 1862, and President Jefferson Davis's wish that he be given a Confederate funeral, meant that Tyler was buried at Hollywood



President Tyler's original burial spot.



The front of the house in a simple, quiet setting.

Cemetery in Richmond and not Sherwood. Tyler is the only U.S. President buried under a foreign flag.

The front porch was the scene of one of the more forgotten, yet significant presidential events: the first presidential transition brought on by a death.

Only a month into his term, on April 4, 1841, President William Henry Harrison died. Harrison's Secretary of State Daniel Webster's son Fletcher was dispatched to find Vice President Tyler and bring him back to D.C. to assume office. In a 24-hour Homeric Odyssey that saw horses, boats and trains, Webster found himself

pounding furiously at the door of the house. A groggy Tyler, allegedly still in his pajamas, answered the door as the vice president and learned he was going to be president. After hosting Webster for breakfast, Tyler set off to Washington.

Though little known, Tyler set the precedence of a vice president becoming president 100 years before the 25th Amendment.

Andy Chandler is a presidential historian and a museum archivist at Candles Holocaust Museum in Terre Haute and the Ernie Pyle WW II Museum in Dana Ind.

Todd Rokita Endorses John Lowes for Sheriff

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita has endorsed Chief Deputy John Lowes in his campaign for Hamilton County Sheriff, citing Lowes' experience, conservative leadership and commitment to public safety.

Rokita, who has served as Indiana's Attorney General since 2021, previously represented Indiana in Congress from 2011 to 2019 and served two terms as Indiana Secretary of State from 2002 to 2010. Throughout his career, he has been a strong advocate for constitutional principles, the rule of law, and public safety.

"I'm proud to support John Lowes for Hamilton County Sheriff," Rokita said. "John is a proven conservative who understands that protecting our communities starts with upholding the Constitution, enforcing the rule of law, and standing firmly for public safety. With

nearly three decades of law enforcement experience and years of executive leadership, he has the knowledge, integrity, and toughness required to lead. As Chief Deputy, John Lowes has already played a key role in keeping Hamilton County one of the safest places to live in Indiana, and I am confident he is the qualified and experienced leader we need as our next Sheriff."

Lowes, a career law enforcement officer with more than 28 years of experience, currently serves as Chief Deputy of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, where he oversees daily operations and supports deputies across the county.

"I am honored to have the support of Attorney General Todd Rokita, a proven conservative leader who has spent his career fighting to protect Hoosier values," Lowes said. "I'm grateful for his endorse-



Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita cited John Lowes experience and conservative leadership.

ment and remain committed to keeping Hamilton County safe, supporting our law enforcement officers, and upholding the values that make our community strong."

Lowes will appear on the Hamilton County Repub-

lican primary ballot in the Republican Primary on May 5th.

For more information, please visit www.lowesforsheriff.com

The Times

Vol. 122 | Issue 38

Sen. Phil Boots, President
Tim Timmons, Publisher
USPS Publication Number: 391140

Annual Print Subscription: \$89

Annual Online Subscription: \$42

To subscribe:

circulation@thetimes24-7.com

To contact news:

news@thetimes24-7.com

To submit legal notices:

legals@thetimes247.com

For billing:

business@thetimes24-7.com

Report address changes to

circulation@thetimes247.com



2026 KIA K4 TURBO IS THE HOT HATCH FOR SPORTY DRIVING, EVERYDAY UTILITY AND FUEL EFFICIENCY

It's also pretty stylish with an attention to detail not usually seen in compact cars.



CASEY WILLIAMS
Columnist

It's difficult to beat a hot hatch for sporty driving, everyday utility and fuel efficiency, but most of them aren't very pretty. I mean, the Volkswagen GTI is handsome, but it's still basically two melted boxes on wheels. Same for the rest of them, but there's something more special about the 2026 Kia K4 GT-Line Hatchback's design that may have you considering it as much for its grace as its driving experience.

This is one of the few hatchbacks that looks better than the sedan on which its based. I like the K4 sedan, but it can look a bit misproportioned and origami from some angles. The GT-Line hatch looks just as sporty with its black trim that includes a wide grille, 18" wheels, and mirrors, but the floating roof elongates the look and hides some of the sedan's less flattering features. Design details like the array of LEDs for headlamps, neatly creased fender bulges, and hidden rear door handles elevate the look. I'd definitely get it in Sparkling Yellow, a \$395 upgrade.

It's a bit more subdued inside, but the gray-and-black squirrel steering wheel is delightfully flashy – as are the sport seats that grip you just right. Twin screen infotainment systems are ubiquitous, but look good on the K4's dash. Connect wirelessly via Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. A volume roller is cool, but there's no tuning roller so you'll have to swipe or tap-tap through stations. Satin silver trim, intricate dash texturing and plush materials feel very premium.

There's nothing low-rent about other features either. Heated and ventilated front seats, heated steering wheel, wide-panel power sunroof and Harman/Kardon audio

are but a start. Dual-zone automatic climate control, wireless phone charger and power driver's lumbar are also appreciated. Rear seats are relatively roomy with USBs and armrest with cupholders, but hard plastic doors remind you this is an entry-level model.

And then there's the hatch. Click it open and flip down the split/fold rear seats for a cavern to carry bicycles, shopping bags, and puppy dogs. There's also an actual spare tire – no inflator kit – beneath the floor and cargo cover to hide your gear.

The K4 isn't going to slay Autobahns, but it's peppy for daily use and weekend fun-time. Powering this art show is a 1.6-liter turbocharged four-cylinder engine connected to an eight-speed automatic transmission. The little engine produces 190 horsepower and 195 lb.-ft. of torque, enough to sprint from 0-60 mph in 8.1 seconds. A GTI it is not, but returns a frugal 26/33-MPG city/highway in exchange.

Unlike base models, the GT-Line Turbo comes with a multi-link independent rear suspension that improves handling. Better, the chassis does a good impression of an Audi in-

how it catches bumps and casts them away as the car rumbles over rough pavement with little drama. It's tuned more for daily driving than ripping apart backroads, but Kia found a good balance between performance and comfort.

Safety was a top priority. Like most modern cars, the K4 has automatic emergency braking, lane keep assist, and rear auto brake. Adaptive cruise and blind spot dash cameras help drivers too. I really appreciate safe exit warning to prevent passengers from stepping into traffic and a steering wheel that vibrates to alert drivers of dangers.

Being a Kia, it doesn't matter now stylish, practical or fun the K4 Hatchback is, value remains a given. Base K4 Hatchbacks start at just \$24,990. Loaded in GT-Line trim with the turbo and all the kit, it comes to \$32,870. Compare that to the Honda Civic Hatchback, Mazda3 Turbo Hatchback, Toyota Corolla XSE Hatchback and Volkswagen GTI.

Storm Forward!

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

LIKES

- SPORTY STYLE
- LUXURY INTERIOR
- VALUE PRICE

DISLIKES

- RADIO TUNING
- TEPID ACCELERATION
- SOME PLASTICS

2026 Kia K4 GT-Line Hatchback

Five-passenger, FWD Sedan
Powertrain: 1.6-liter T4, 8-spd
Output: 190hp/195 lb.-ft. torque
Suspension f/r: Ind/Ind
Wheels f/r: 18"/18" alloy
Brakes f/r: disc/disc
0-60 mph: 8.1s
Fuel economy: 26/33 mpg city/hwy
Assembly: Mexico
Base/As-tested price: \$24,990/32,870

Lucky When It Comes to Family



CARRIE CLASSON
The Postscript

I've always known I was lucky when it came to family.

I saw classmates who had impossible siblings, and I knew my curly-headed younger sister was a catch. I knew people who really hated spending time with their parents, and I always had fun with mine—and I still do.

I grew up with 36 cousins, 34 of whom were on my mother's side. It was a lot easier to keep track of my father's side of the family, but I always felt somehow rich, having so many cousins spread over so much of the country.

When I married, I acquired another family, a boisterous Catholic family who laughed and drank and cussed more than my own. I immediately loved my mother-in-law who stayed up well past midnight with me, discussing big ideas, and my father-in-law who would listen in for a few minutes, shake his head and say, "I'm going to bed!"

When I divorced, one of the hardest things to accept was that I was going to lose this family I had been given in marriage, a family I had grown steadily closer to for more than 22

years. But that turned out not to be the case.

I've now been divorced and remarried for many years, and those former in-laws are still my family. It was their choice, of course, and possibly not an easy one—to remain close to a former daughter-in-law or sister-in-law. But my former mother-in-law, who has since passed, set the tone and let me know I'd always have a place in her heart, and her children followed suit. And I know I am enormously lucky.

Last week, I got to spend time with a couple of them. My former brother- and sister-in-law, Jason and Mandy, came to visit and celebrate their birthdays, and once again, I was reminded of how fortunate I was. My husband, Peter, went hiking with Jason and, as usual, met some friends on the way.

"Was it awkward, introducing Jason to friends?" I asked.

"No, he just introduced himself as your former brother-in-law," Peter said. It was not a big deal—not to Peter, not to Jason, not to anyone.

But it is a big deal.

It is a very big deal for me to still have a strong relationship with these people I love, after the loss of a marriage changed the landscape. I have lost some good friends in the past, and I still feel those losses. To lose an entire family would be terrible. And I have not.

We did not spend much time together. I was busy with a writers' conference and had less time than I would have liked. But when we were together, we shared funny stories of things we had done years ago, stories of things we are doing today, and stories from our childhoods, before we even knew one another. Of course, my ex-husband was woven into many of these stories, but so were people who had died—Mandy's wonderful husband, my father- and mother-in-law. Circumstances constantly change. But love survives.

More than ever, I realize how lucky I am when it comes to family. And I also realize how little biology or legalities have to do with what makes a family. We need people in our lives who know our stories from the past and are interested in our stories today. We need people who share our old jokes that other people won't ever fully understand. We need people who can accept us, along with the changes that are always a part of life—and remain family.

Till next time,

Carrie



Providing an affordable and positive baseball experience for all young men ages 13-18

The 2026 Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball Season begins April 13, 2026 and ends on June 17, 2026.
(You do not need to be a Noblesville resident as we welcome ball players from surrounding communities).

There will be two Leagues: 13-15 year old Competitive League and 16-18 year old Competitive League.

Both 13-15 League and 16-18 League will begin play on April 13, 2026. A double-elimination tournament will be played June 7-17, 2026.
**Note: Dates subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.*

Registration Fee: 2026 Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball registration fee is \$199 (plus processing fee applied at checkout) and includes team jersey and hat.

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 14, 2026 from 2 pm-4 pm at Noblesville High School. **More details to be provided at a later date.*

Register today at:
noblesvillebaberuthbaseball.sportsengine-prelive.com

Interested in supporting our young men and helping with continued upgrades to our facility? Sponsor opportunities are still available!
[Email nbrbcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:nbrbcommunications@gmail.com) for more information.

KENNY THOMPSON



With decades of experience as an award-winning sports writer and sports editor – most of it covering Purdue athletics – Kenny Thompson has a perspective and inside knowledge that few others have. Whether it's putting what's going on in the Big Ten in historical perspective or shooting straight from the hip on what's happening today, no one has a better take on Purdue and sports than Kenny!

Catch Kenny every Friday in The Times!

Thank you for subscribing!

Public Notices Deadline: 11:00 a.m.
2 Business Days Prior to Publication: legals@thetimes24-7.com
Private Party Notices Submitted After Deadline
May Be Subject To \$25.00 Fee In Addition To
The Cost Of The Advertisement

No Laughing Matter



DICK WOLFSIE
Columnist

About three months ago, a friend who lives in a nearby state asked if I would be willing to give a presentation to the local hospitals' laughter club. Apparently, there are quite a few of these around the country. They provide an opportunity for staff and patients to enjoy the true benefits of a good laugh. Research clearly shows that a hefty guffaw has positive physical and psychological effects on the body.

I've always enjoyed making people laugh. The ability to share a good chuckle is something only humans can do. That ability, along with mowing the lawn every Sunday, is what sets us apart from the hairy ape. Although, in my neighborhood, you see plenty of hairy apes mowing the lawn.

Then, just yesterday, I received this email from my buddy in Ohio.

Dear Dick,

I am sorry to inform you that due to budget cuts at our hospital, the Laughter Club has been cancelled. And so are you. Needless to say, this issue is no laughing matter.

Greg

BUDGET CUTS???? How expensive could a laughter

club be? Once a month, a group of people gather for lunch and share laughs while eating their tuna on whole wheat. You have to wonder how much money is being saved by eliminating this monthly activity. There's no labor cost, no capital expense. ZERO. Let's face it: if 15 people laughing together in an empty room is too costly, you need to cut back somewhere else. How about painkillers, or maybe those gourmet meals hospitals serve? Aren't we all getting tired of lobster tail and Chateaubriand?

Don't hospitals know how to cut a budget? EKGs, EEGs, MRIs. There has to be a lot of fat in that alphabet soup. Why are they taking this out on people who just want to laugh? There's something un-American about this. I'm sorry, you can't celebrate Mel Brooks and Dick Van Dyke's 100th birthdays and cancel the Laughter Club in the same year. You can't give Conan O'Brien the Mark Twain Prize in American humor and then cut the legs out from under the Laughter Club. (You could cut their neckties in half. Now, that would be funny!)

I think I will start my own laughter club. To demonstrate how cheaply it can be done, I'll share my budget. After talking

with my accountant, we put together a detailed estimate of expenses for 20 members meeting for 1 hour once a month over 10 years, with nonstop laughter. Because this was complicated, we used ChatGPT. Here are the results.

NEW LAUGHTER CLUB BUDGET

Room Rental: FREE (Come to my house.)

Refreshments: ON THE HOUSE (Not my house. Your house. Bring your own.)

Jokes: NO CHARGE (If your jokes stink, bring someone else's.)

TOTAL COST: NOTHING

I guess I can't expect people in modern medicine, who handle multi-million-dollar robotic surgery machines, to be as financially savvy as I am, but I do hope this hospital will consider my suggestions and reinstate the Laughter Club.

When I finished this column, I sent it a copy to the hospital in question. Their PR person texted me back...

"Dick, you shouldn't be making fun of financial cuts. Fiscal problems are not a laughing matter."

They better not be. Apparently, that can get expensive.

Dick Wolfsie is a retired TV personality, author, speaker, teacher and all-around good guy. His award-winning column appears here weekly.

VOTING

Continued from Page 1

Carmel
Wilfong Pavilion, 11675 Hazel Dell Parkway, Building A, Carmel
Jill Perelman Pavilion, 3000 W 116th Street, Carmel
Carmel Public Library, 425 E. Main Street, Carmel

- April 22-23 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- April 24-25 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- April 29-30 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- May 1-2 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Fishers
Roy G Holland Memorial Park Building, 1 Park Drive, Fishers

Billericay Park Building, 12690 Promise Road, Fishers

- April 22-23 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- April 24-25 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- April 29-30 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- May 1-2 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Westfield
Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield
Cool Creek Nature Center, 2000-1 E 151st St, Carmel
Westfield Washington Township Offices, 17400 Westfield Blvd, Westfield

- April 22-23 from 2:00

p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

- April 24-25 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- April 29-30 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- May 1-2 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot is also nearing. Those wishing to vote absentee must submit an application before midnight on Thursday, April 23rd. The form can be submitted electronically at www.indianavoters.com. You can also call 317-776-8476 and make a request for an application over the phone.

Ivy Tech: Impact on County, Region \$298.6 Million

Ivy Tech Community College Hamilton County's impact on the region adds more than \$298.6 million in income through its students, alumni, and operations. These benefits include \$192.3 million in added student income, \$83 million in added business income, \$18.8 million in added income from Campus activities, as well as \$4.5 million in social savings related to health, the justice system and income assistance in Indiana.

The overall impact of Ivy Tech was cited in a new report on the economic value of the college, as measured during Fiscal Year 2024-2025 by Lightcast. The report found that the statewide impact of Ivy Tech adds more than \$4.8 billion in income through its students, alumni, and operations of campuses throughout the

state. That's equal to more than 63,000 jobs supported – or one out of every 67 jobs in the state.

"Ivy Tech is a major catalyst for economic growth – investing in Hoosiers, strengthening our region, and delivering impact that lasts for generations," said Dr. Rachel Kartz, Chancellor of Ivy Tech Community College Hamilton County. "When you factor in both the economic and social benefits, the impact is clear. For a campus that was only three years old when this data was captured during the 2024-25 academic year, we are immensely proud of the meaningful difference we are already making in Hamilton County – and we know our impact will continue to grow for years to come."

The report highlighted the return on investment

from the perspective of students, taxpayers, and society at large. For example, for every \$1 invested in Ivy Tech Hamilton County, taxpayers get a return of \$2, and further impacts are felt by the life-style improvements that come with added skills and education. For every \$1 students invested in Ivy Tech Hamilton County in the form of out-of-pocket expenses and time and money forgone, students will see a return of \$5.10 in higher future earnings. For every dollar invested in Ivy Tech Hamilton County, the people of Indiana see a cumulative benefit of \$10.30.

"We know that more education and skills lead to better and higher-paying jobs, and that is a key mission for Ivy Tech as Indiana's workforce engine," Ivy Tech President Marty Pollio said.

Serving Hamilton County & Surrounding Areas



BUSSELL FAMILY FUNERALS

Bussell Family Funerals
compassionately serving families
during their time of loss

1621 E. Greyhound Pass
Carmel, IN 46032
317-587-2001

www.bussellfamilyfunerals.com

Indiana Funeral Care
indianafuneralcare.com

Indianapolis
(317) 636-6464
8151 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis

Greenwood
(317) 348-1570
2433 E Main St.
Greenwood

Traditional Services
Affordable Cremation
Pre-Planning

Hersberger Bozell
FUNERAL HOME

1010 North Main Street
Lapel, Indiana 46051
765-534-3131
www.hersbergerbozell.com



KENNY THOMPSON



With decades of experience as an award-winning sports writer and sports editor – most of it covering Purdue athletics – Kenny Thompson has a perspective and inside knowledge that few others have. Whether it's putting what's going on in the Big Ten in historical perspective or shooting straight from the hip on what's happening today, no one has a better take on Purdue and sports than Kenny!

Catch Kenny every Friday in The Times!

Public Notices Deadline: 11:00 a.m.
2 Business Days Prior to Publication: legals@thetimes24-7.com

Private Party Notices Submitted After Deadline
May Be Subject To \$25.00 Fee In Addition To
The Cost Of The Advertisement

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

City of Fishers
Fishers, Indiana

Intersection Improvement – Olio Road and Southeastern Parkway
General Notice

City of Fishers (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Intersection Improvement construction work in Fishers, Indiana

Online Bids for the construction of the Project will be received for the project until April 21, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read at a special Bid Opening meeting at 11:00 am (local time) on April 21, 2026, in the Fishers Hamilton Conference Room, located at 1 Municipal Drive, Room 218, Fishers, Indiana 46038. The bid opening can also be joined virtually. No late bids will be accepted. Project Manuals will be available for purchase starting April 7, 2026.

Teams Meeting Bid Opening: Meeting ID: 214 245 275 955 5 Passcode: C5d5UJ6z

For special accommodations required for handicapped individuals planning to attend the public bid opening meeting, please call or notify the City of Fishers at (317) 595-3160 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.

In general, the Work shall be completed by State of Indiana certified/qualified Contractor and Subcontractors for the Project and consists of:

Intersection Improvement located at Olio Road and Southeastern Parkway in Hamilton County, Fishers, Indiana.

Obtaining the Bidding Document
Project Manuals will be available for purchase starting April 7, 2026.

Bid Documents and Plans can be obtained digitally from the City of Fishers via QuestCDN at www.questcdn.com Reference Quest Number 10141551. To be considered a plan holder for bids, register with QuestCDN.com for a free Regular membership and download the bidding documents in digital form at a cost of \$42.00. Downloading the documents and becoming a plan holder is recommended as plan holder's receive automatic notice of addenda, other bid updates and access to vBid, online bidding via QuestCDN. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or Support@QuestCDN.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital bidding documents and vBid questions. Interested parties may view the contract documents at no cost prior to deciding to become a plan holder.

To access the electronic bid form, download the digital bidding documents and click the 'Online Bid' button or Online Bidding 'Available' button on the bid posting page. Bids will ONLY be received and accepted through vBid via QuestCDN.com. Prospective bidders must be on the plan holder list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted.

All payments for Bidding Documents are non-refundable. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

Pre-bid Conference

A mandatory pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on April 16th, 2026, at 1:00 pm (local time) in the Fishers Hamilton Conference Room, located at 1 Municipal Drive, Room 218, Fishers, Indiana 46038. Virtual attendance information is below:

Microsoft Teams Meeting Pre-Bid Conf: Meeting ID: 297 520 753 307 56 Passcode: Mf6Cd2uq

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

Work shall be constructed under a Unit Price Contract.

A Bid Bond or certified check in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid must be submitted with each Bid. Performance and Payment Bonds each worth 100% of the Bid will be required of the successful Bidder.

Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Drawings and Contract Documents and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of drawings and Contract Documents.

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on a State Board of Accounts Form 96 (revised 2013). Each Bid shall be accompanied by the Contractor's Bid Attachments (included in the project manual and proposal packet). A financial Statement (completely filled out and signed) shall also be submitted as required by Form 96.

Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. No bidder may withdraw any bid or proposal within a period of sixty (60) days following the date set for receiving bids or proposals. The City of Fishers reserves the right to hold any or all bids or proposals for a period of not more than sixty (60) days and said bids or proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said period.

Submission of a signed Bid by the Bidder constitutes acknowledgment of and acceptance of all the documents and terms and conditions of the Contract-Legal Requirements and Technical Sections of the specifications in the Project Manual.

The City reserves the right to waive any informalities or minor defects in bids or bidding procedure, or reject any and all bids, or to accept any bid as may be lowest responsive or most responsible as exclusively determined by the City of Fishers. The City of Fishers reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitations when it is not in the best interests of the governmental body as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-22-18-2.

A conditional or qualified bid will not be accepted. Award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.

In accordance with Indiana Code 22-5-1.7-11, Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner will be required to enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all newly hired employees through the E-Verify program.

In accordance with Indiana Code 5-22-16.5, Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner will be required to certify they are not engaged in business with the Government of Iran, as defined in IC 5-22-16.5.

The Contractor to whom the work is awarded will be required to furnish an acceptable Performance and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the contract price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

TL23205 4/6 4/13 2t hspaxlp

BZA Meeting

This notice is to inform you the meeting to be held by the Town of Sheridan Board of Zoning Appeals on April 16, 2026, 5:30 PM, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan, has been cancelled.

Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission
Jennifer Miller, Secretary

TL23203 4/6 1t hspaxlp

APC Public Notice

This notice is to inform you of a public hearing to be held by the Town of Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission on April 16, 2026, 6:30 PM, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan. The hearing will discuss:

a. 26-VAC-01 Sheridan Public Library Vacate any Recorded Covenants Sheridan Public Library requests approval of Vacating any Recorded Covenants of +/- 1.35 acres generally located at 209 W 1st Street, Sheridan. Zoned PS: Public Service District.

b. 26-PP-01 Sheridan Public Library Primary Plat Sheridan Public Library requests approval of a Primary Plat of +/- 3.35 acres generally located at 103 W 1st Street and 209 W 1st Street, Sheridan. Zoned PS: Public Service District.

c. 26-SP-03 Sheridan Public Library Secondary Plat Sheridan Public Library requests approval of a Secondary Plat of +/- 3.35 acres generally located at 103 W 1st Street and 209 W 1st Street, Sheridan. Zoned PS: Public Service District.

Written suggestions or objections may be submitted to the Sheridan Planning and Development Department at or before such a meeting held by the Town of Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission. People interested in presenting their views in person written or verbally shall have the opportunity to do so at the above-mentioned time and place. Agenda items may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the APC. A copy of the proposal is on file with the Department of Planning and Development at 506 S. Main Street and may be viewed during regular business hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. That file may also be viewed online at www.Sheridan.IN.gov.

Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission
Jennifer Miller, Secretary

TL23204 4/6 1t hspaxlp

RETURNS

Continued from Page 1

The orchestra season opens June 26–27 with Face 2 Face: A Tribute to Billy Joel and Elton John, featuring two nights of unforgettable piano rock hits.

The ISO's annual Star-Spangled Symphony returns July 2–4 with patriotic favorites and a dazzling fireworks display celebrating America's 250th birthday, with special surprises!

Film and pop favorites continue throughout July with the Music of *Star Wars* on July 10, featuring a trivia contest for super fans. July concerts also include Serpentine Fire: The Music of Earth, Wind & Fire on July 11, Back to the 80s on July 17, and Summer Breeze: Yacht Rock Classics on July 18.

The ISO also performs the magical Music of *Harry Potter: An Evening at Hogwarts* on July 24 and Disney in Concert: *A Dream Is a Wish* on July 25, bringing beloved film music to life with the power of a full orchestra.

Following the orchestra performances, the Kroger *Symphony on the Prairie* stage welcomes an exciting lineup of tribute artists celebrating some of the biggest names in music.

The tribute series begins July 31 with Always, Adele, followed by Let's Sing Sabrina / Let's Sing Harry on August 1 celebrating the music of Sabrina Carpenter and Harry Styles.

August continues with a variety of crowd-pleasing performances, including The Fab Four: The Ultimate

Beatles Tribute (Aug. 7), The Heart of Rock & Roll: America's #1 Huey Lewis & the News Tribute (Aug. 8), Hollywood Nights: The Bob Seger Experience (Aug. 14), and The Australian Bee Gees (Aug. 15).

Additional performances include Troubadours: A Tribute to James Taylor and Carole King (Aug. 21), One Night of Queen (Aug. 22), The Boy Band Night (Aug. 28), and Private Eyes: A Tribute to Hall & Oates (Aug. 29).

Labor Day weekend closes out the season with Free Fallin The Tom Petty Concert Experience (Sept. 4), The Phil Collins Experience (Sept. 5), and the popular EagleMania (Sept. 6).

New this season

Beginning April 7, 2026, visit IndianapolisSymphony.org for the Symphony Summer Special. For a limited time only, choose tickets to four concerts for just \$120 (plus taxes and fees). Mix and match music from your favorite decades and create your perfect concert lineup (exclusions apply). This limited-time offer will be available while supplies last.

Single tickets and tables can be purchased by the general public starting Tuesday, April 7, 2026, via phone, at the ISO Box Office, online at IndianapolisSymphony.org, or by visiting your central Indiana Kroger store.

Kroger Symphony on the Prairie 2026 season at-a-glance

Concerts featuring the Indianapolis Symphony

Orchestra

Fri., June 26 – Face 2 Face: A Tribute to Billy Joel and Elton John
Sat., June 27 – Face 2 Face: A Tribute to Billy Joel and Elton John

Thurs., July 2 – Star-Spangled Symphony
Fri., July 3 – Star-Spangled Symphony
Sat., July 4 – Star-Spangled Symphony

Fri., July 10 – Music of *Star Wars*

Sat., July 11 – Serpentine Fire: The Music of Earth, Wind & Fire

Fri., July 17 – Back to the 80s

Sat., July 18 – Summer Breeze: Yacht Rock Classics

Fri., July 24 – Music of *Harry Potter: An Evening at Hogwarts*
Sat., July 25 – Disney in Concert: *A Dream Is a Wish*

Tribute Concerts

Fri., July 31 – Always, Adele
Sat., Aug. 1 – Let's Sing Sabrina / Let's Sing Harry

Fri., Aug. 7 – The Fab Four: The Ultimate Beatles Tribute
Sat., Aug. 8 – The Heart of Rock & Roll: America's #1 Huey Lewis & the News Tribute

Fri. Aug. 14 – Hollywood Nights: The Bob Seger Experience
Sat. Aug. 15 – The Australian Bee Gees

Fri., Aug. 21 – Troubadours: A Tribute to James Taylor and Carole King
Sat., Aug. 22 – One Night of Queen

Fri., Aug. 28 – The Boy Band Night
Sat., Aug. 29 – Private Eyes: A Tribute to Hall & Oates

Fri., Sept. 4 – Free Fallin The Tom Petty Concert Experience
Sat., Sept. 5 – The Phil Collins Experience
Sun., Sept. 6 – EagleMania

Know Before You Go

Gates open at 6 p.m. | Concerts begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased at IndianapolisSymphony.org, at most central Indiana Kroger stores, or at the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office.

Patrons may bring their own food and beverages or enjoy on-site refreshments, including beer, wine, and spirits.

Reserved seating, table rentals, and Huntington Bank Sunset Lounge tickets are available in limited quantities.

Purchase tickets for three or more concerts and automatically receive a 10% discount (available online or through the Box Office).

Groups of 30 or more receive a 10% discount on tickets. Email groups@indianapolisymphony.org for more information.

For more information on Kroger *Symphony on the Prairie* or other Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra concerts, visit IndianapolisSymphony.org or call 317-639-4300.



Photos courtesy Hamilton Heights Schools

Members of Hamilton Heights Indoor Percussion bring intensity and precision to the floor during their State Finals performance last weekend, where the ensemble delivered its strongest run of the season and finished 11th in the state.

Heights Finishes Season with Strongest Performance

Hamilton Heights Indoor Percussion capped off its season with an outstanding showing at the Indiana Percussion Association (IPA) State Finals, placing 11th among the state's top ensembles this past weekend.

Most importantly, the group rose to the moment and delivered its strongest performance of the entire season. Their focus, growth, and commitment were on full display when it mattered most — a testament to the hard work they've invested since day one.

This season was a true team

effort. Every student in the ensemble played a meaningful role in pushing the group forward, supporting one another, and striving for excellence each and every day.

“A heartfelt thank-you goes to our incredible percussion staff for their dedication, expertise, and countless hours poured into these students,” said HHHS Band Director Mark Snelson. “Your impact extends far beyond the performance floor. We also extend deep appreciation to our amazing parents. Your support, time, and energy each weekend went above and beyond. This program



would not be what it is without you.”

“Finally,” he continued, “we celebrate our outstanding senior class for their leadership, commitment, and the

legacy they leave behind. They have set the standard for what it means to be part of this program. What a way to finish. We are so proud of this group.”

Thank you for subscribing!

SAGAMORE NEWS MEDIA

WE'RE HIRING

Looking for a flexible position?

Interested in learning more about the newspaper industry?

Ready to learn something new or challenge yourself to improve your current skills?

WE ARE LOOKING FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

Sales Get to know local businesses and find advertising options to fit their needs

Pagination Flex your creative muscle as you layout news stories using inDesign

Clerical Assist our business department with account and subscription management

Delivery Driver Wednesday morning delivery to post offices (no home delivery)

Training available for motivated individuals!

Join our team today!

Send your resume to jobs@thetimes24-7.com

WWW.THETIMES24-7.COM

IRS: Tax Season Progressing Smoothly With Timely Refunds

The Internal Revenue Service continues to deliver excellent service to taxpayers during the 2026 filing season with the rise in tax refunds, the smooth pace at which taxpayers are getting their refunds and the high use of electronic filing.

“With less than two weeks left in the filing season, the IRS continues to provide historically outstanding service to taxpayers,” said IRS Chief Executive Officer Frank J. Bisignano. “Tens of millions of Americans are getting their refunds direct deposited in their bank accounts and their returns processed promptly without error or delay.”

Highlights from the 2026 filing season, through March 20:

- Over 80 percent of refunds were issued in less than 21 days with an average refund amount of \$3,571.
- Over 98 percent of tax refunds have been issued electronically via direct

deposit, out of a total of 57 million refunds issued.

- Over 98 percent of returns were filed electronically, out of a total of more than 78 million individual federal income tax returns.
- The average refund is up by more than 10 percent with total refunds now at more than \$202 billion.

Get refunds faster by providing banking information

The IRS encourages all taxpayers who are expecting a refund to include banking information when they file. Taxpayers who did not provide valid bank information when they filed can use online tools on IRS.gov to provide the necessary information to get their refund faster.

Only about one percent of taxpayers received a CP53E notice informing them that their banking information on the return is missing or invalid. Taxpayers do not have to wait to receive the notice

to act. They can check the Where’s My Refund? tool for next steps and if this situation applies to them, they can use their IRS Individual Online Account to resolve the issue quickly by providing accurate banking information or the reason they cannot. Once updated, the IRS will issue their refund, usually within seven days. For security purposes, IRS employees cannot update bank account information over the phone or in person.

What taxpayers need to do

After receiving the CP53E notice, they should:

1. Access or create their IRS Individual Online Account.
2. Navigate to:
 - a. “Profile”
 - b. “Banking information”
 - c. “Add bank account”
3. Enter and submit their direct deposit information.
4. If taxpayers already took action through Where’s My Refund

or IRS Individual Online Account before they received the notice, they can disregard it.

After updating their information, taxpayers can check the status on IRS.gov, with or without signing into their IRS Individual Online Account. Updates typically appear within a few days.

What happens if no action is taken

Taxpayers who receive a CP53E notice generally have 30 days from the date on the notice to act. If a taxpayer does not act within the 30-day window, the IRS will issue a paper check six weeks after the date the notice was issued.

Direct deposit remains the fastest and most secure way to receive a refund, helping reduce the risk of lost or stolen payments. Across government, paper instruments (e.g., checks and money orders) are far more likely than electronic payments to be lost, stolen, altered, or delayed.

What the CP53E notice means

Taxpayers may receive a CP53E notice if:

- No direct deposit information was included on the tax return, or
- The bank account information provided was incorrect or rejected by the bank.

The notice does not mean the refund is denied. Instead, it means the refund is on hold until the taxpayer acts.

What happens if a taxpayer does not have a bank account?

Taxpayers who have filed their return without their direct deposit information and qualify for an exception to the direct deposit requirement may review and select the appropriate exception in their IRS Individual Online Account. Limited exceptions to electronic methods are available for specific situations such as those involving hardships, or legal and procedural

requirements. Providing exception eligibility information will allow the release of a paper check within one to two weeks.

If the taxpayer can’t access their IRS Individual Online Account, they can call the toll-free line for assistance with entering an exception to receive a paper check. Consistent with prior years, a paper check generally takes one to three weeks longer to process than a direct deposit. The telephone representative cannot input or update a taxpayer’s banking information.

More information

In response to the executive order, Modernizing Payments To and From America’s Bank Account, the IRS announced that paper refund checks began phasing out on Sept. 30, 2025.

Taxpayers can learn more about this notice, including frequently asked questions and step-by-step instructions, by visiting Understanding Your CP53E Notice on IRS.gov.

Westfield Announces Construction, Repaving Schedule

The City of Westfield Public Works Department has announced this year’s road construction and street repaving projects.

“Over the past two years, Westfield has made record investments on infrastructure to ensure our roadways keep pace with our growth,” said Mayor Scott Willis. “These projects are about getting our roads right-sized, improving safety and connectivity, and continuing to close trail gaps so residents can move throughout our city more easily.”

181st Street and Grand Park Boulevard: begins April 4, 2026

Roundabout construction; anticipated closure for 60 days

191st Street Widening: Utility Work this Spring; Roundabout construction this fall

Widening of 191st Street from Tomlinson Road to Grand Park Boulevard, including a roundabout at Grand Park Boulevard and a pedestrian bridge for Monon over 191st. Remaining construction on 191st Street and the Monon pedestrian bridge over 191st is projected for Spring 2027.

State Road 32: through end of 2026

Road widening work on the south side of State Road 32 will begin this Spring, along with construction of the SR 32 & East Street roundabout. Traffic will remain open east-west during construction. Later in the year, traffic will be shifted south on the newly constructed roadway to allow the contractor to complete the remaining north side reconstruction work. All construction work is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year.

Monon Tunnel: through end of 2026

Work on the Monon Tunnel at 161st Street began March 2, 2026. Work will continue through the end of the year. While a full closure of 161st Street is not anticipated, there could be lane restrictions at times.

Penn Street Extension: August 2026

The Penn Street extension is a new roadway segment to connect Penn Street from East Street to Hillcrest Drive, just north of the Ambrose on Main project. The project will include on-street parking, sidewalks, lighting, and signage; anticipated closure for 60 days.

Additional projects include a traffic signal at Grand Park Boulevard and Tournament Trail, widening of Mule Barn Road, downtown drainage improvements, and a raised crosswalk at 151st Street and American Lotus Drive. For a full list of projects, visit westfieldin.gov/construction.

Repaving Projects

Street repaving projects will begin approximately the first week of May and continue through the first week of October. More firm timelines will be announced as the summer progresses.

Each paving project begins with milling the top surface of asphalt and repaving it with a new layer about two to four inches thick. Typical milling and paving projects take three to five days to complete and require lane restrictions.

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) awarded Westfield an additional \$911,000 through the Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) program following bid openings for repaving projects. More repaving projects will be announced at a later date.

For a full list of projects, visit westfieldin.gov/construction.

VILLAGE FARMS		
Street Name	From	To
Kings Point Court	Senator Way	Terminus
Senator Way	W Greyhound Pass	Kings Point Court
Fox Court	Senator Way	Terminus
Abbedale Court	Senator Way	Terminus
Pacer Court	Abbedale Court	Terminus
Trotter Court	Abbedale Court	Terminus
Roman Court	W. Greyhound Pass	Terminus
Admiral Way N	W. Senator Way	W Laredo Way S
Admiral Way S	Admiral Way N	Adios Pass
Alsong Court	Admiral Way S	Terminus
Shower Court	Admiral Way S	Terminus
Laredo Way S	Admiral Way N	Amkey Way
Laredo Way N	Amkey Way	Sulky Way
Laredo Court	Laredo Way S	Terminus
Amkey Way	Senator Way	Terminus
Amkey Court	Amkey Way	Terminus
Mercury Court	Laredo Way N	Terminus
Sulky Way	Laredo Way S	Senator Way
Derby Court	W. Greyhound Pass	Terminus
Senator Way	Amkey Way	Terminus

OAK MANOR		
Street Name	From	To
Chalet Circle	Oak Manor Drive	Terminus
Cyprian Circle	Daylily Court	Terminus
Daylily Court	Oak Manor Drive	Terminus
Oak Manor Drive	Oak Road 275' E	Daylily Court 190' N

COUNTRYSIDE		
Street Name	From	To
E Clear Lake Lane	Kirklín Drive	Grabill Drive
Grabill Drive	Kirklín Drive	Vernon Place
Vernon Place	Kirklín Drive	Terminus
Kirklín Drive	E Clear Lake Lane	Vernon Place
E Quail Ridge Drive	Vernon Place	Vernon Place 160' N

OAK PARK		
Street Name	From	To
Oak Park Court	161st Street	Terminus
Oak Park Circle	Oak Park Court	Oak Park Court 650' E

HILLCREST		
Street Name	From	To
Hillcrest Drive SR 32		SR 32

THOROUGHFARES		
Street Name	From	To
Western Way	146th Street	Greyhound Pass
Greyhound Pass	US 31 CD	Western Way 115' N
Wheeler Road	181st Street 300' N	186th Street
186th Street	Wheeler Road	Grand Park Blvd 340' E
Grand Park Blvd	186th Street 325' S	186th Street 950' S
156th Street	Spring Mill Road 745' E	Oak Ridge Road
156th Street	Edenvale Drive 300' W	Kingsway Ct 225' E
Towne Road	Kimblewick Blvd 360' N	156th Street 150' S
Oak Road	161st Street 300' S	151st Street
196th Street	Grassy Branch Road	Mooontown Road
Eagletown Road	166th Street	SR 32
Ditch Road	Somerville Drive	156th Street

They’ll Be Singin’ in the Rain at Beef & Boards

Both fresh and familiar faces will take the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre stage starting Thursday for the iconic *Singin’ in the Rain*.

Joseph Rafael Davila declared it’s literally his “dream come true” to make his Beef & Boards debut as Don Lockwood in *Singin’ in the Rain*. The role was originated in the MGM film by Gene Kelly – who Davila calls his “idol growing up.”

“I wanted nothing more in this world than to be just like him,” Davila, a native of Clifton Park, NY, said. “It has been my life and career goal and aspiration to step into the characters he originated. It is not an exaggeration when I say this is a dream come true!”

At his side as Kathy Selden will be Kimberly Doreen Burns, who is reprising the role. She’s also been seen at Beef & Boards as Eliza Doolittle in *My Fair Lady*. Burns will play the role through April 26, after which it will be played by Sarah Daniels. This is Daniels’ first production of *Singin’ in the Rain*, but Beef & Boards audiences will recognize her for her roles as Ariel in Disney’s *The Little Mermaid*, Lauren in *Kinky Boots*, Katherine in *Newsies*, Amber Von Tussle in *Hairspray*, and

Sandy in *Grease*.

Returning to the Beef & Boards stage after appearing as Dewey Phillips in *Heartbreak Hotel* last season is James Garrett Hill, who plays Don’s friend and fellow performer, Cosmo Brown. Reprising her role as Lina Lamont is Sarah Hund, who is also known for her roles in the *Smoke on the Mountain* series, *Grumpy Old Men*, *Footloose*, *The Addams Family*, *Into the Woods*, and *Les Misérables*, among others.

Eddie Curry, who directs the show, reprises the role of Roscoe Dexter, and Jeff Stockberger reprises the role of R.F. Simpson. Rounding out the cast are Lillian Baxter as Dora Bailey, Kenny Shepard as the Diction Teacher, Ian Black as the Production Tenor, and Sally Mitchell as Zelda Zanders. The Ensemble includes Logan Hill, Jennifer Ladner, James Patton, Johnny Rouse, and Deb Wims. Swings are Reagan Cole Minnette, and newcomer Evan Michael Vaughan.

Singin’ in the Rain is choreographed by Doug King.

Tickets are currently on sale exclusively through Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre at beefandboards.com or by calling the box office at (317) 872-9664.

THE TIMES

WE'RE HIRING

OPEN POSITIONS

SALES
PAGINATION
DELIVERY DRIVER
CLERICAL

EMAIL RESUME TO: JOBS@THETIMES24-7.COM

Thank you for subscribing!