

■ TODAY'S VERSE

1 Corinthians 15:57-58

"But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." (NIV)



Well, the Big Tax Day is here. That's not the bad news. We have to work about two more months until we hit Tax Freedom Day. Hey, could be worse. Our Canadian friends don't get there until July.

■ HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

Hamilton County residents have an opportunity this spring to conserve water and reduce runoff through the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual rain barrel sale, now open for pre-orders. The program offers residents an easy way to collect and reuse rainwater from their rooftops, helping to reduce stormwater runoff that can carry pollutants into local streams and rivers. Pre-orders are open now through May 12, with pickup scheduled for May 19 at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville. Barrels are available at an affordable cost and come ready to install, with components designed to connect directly to a home's downspout. Optional accessories, including stands, diverters, and linking kits, are also available. More information and ordering details are available at: www.hamiltonswcd.org/rainbarrels

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"We contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle."
Winston S. Churchill

■ JOKE OF THE DAY

What sort of sense of humor do accountants have?
Self-deprecating.

■ ADOPT A PET CRITTER



Critter is fun, affectionate, and ready for his next adventure! This 2-year-old male Pit Bull Terrier has been available for adoption at the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) since 7/31/25. He's playful, curious, and full of personality, and once he's had a chance to settle in, he'll love to show off his goofy side and excellent zoomie abilities. To meet Critter, please fill out an adoption application at hamiltonhumane.com/adopt, then stop by HSHC anytime 12-5 PM daily (closed Wednesday).

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Esports State Finals Live in Noblesville

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Indiana Esports Network and Hamilton County Sports Authority are proud to announce a joint effort to bring the Indiana esports state championships to a live audience. Over the past season, approximately 200 school districts across Indiana have competed in 15 different games, including Overwatch, Rocket League, Valorant, Marvel Rivals, Fortnite, Super Smash Bros Ultimate, and League of Legends. And everything comes down to more than 50 middle and high school teams competing for 28 different state championships on April 25 at Riverview Health Arena at Innovation Mile in Noblesville.

"The City of Noblesville looks forward to welcoming the Indiana Esports Network to Riverview Health Arena at Innovation Mile," said Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen. "We pur-

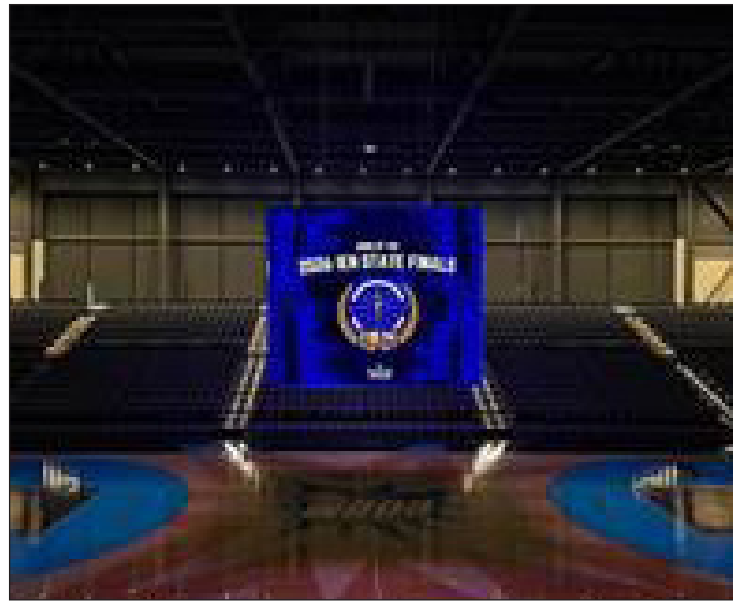


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Esports Championships will be a dazzling display in Noblesville.

posedly designed this venue to be a place for a wide range of event types, and welcoming esports athletes and fans will be an exciting opportunity for our community."

The competitions will be run and live-streamed from an exciting new venue: Riverview Health Arena at

Innovation Mile in Noblesville, thanks to a partnership between Indiana Esports Network, Hamilton County Sports Authority and the City of Noblesville.

"Welcoming the IEN State Esports Championship to Riverview Health Arena is an exciting mo-

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Branna Shares the Parenting Paradigm

They hatch, develop wings, learn to fly, then they're gone. The nest is empty now. No, I'm not talking about raising birds. I'm referring to raising our children.

No matter if we did our best to feather the nest, there comes a time when our scope of influence will decline, if not wither away.

Once they're grown and flown, distance often replaces the spaces that once housed an acute closeness between parent and child.

The Peace Corps may have coined it "The toughest job you'll ever love," characterizing its volunteer experience as incredibly demanding, yet deeply rewarding. In my humble opinion, I think this aptly personifies parenting as

well. Sure, when they're younger, there's the colic, tantrums and other tempestuous moments. Minus the colic, the other two remain constant, even after adolescence has closed its door. In many ways, I consider the later years a greater challenge than rearing tots or teens.

If we have done our job well, we've tried every tip and trick in the book to bestow our babies with the tools they need to be successful, happy human beings. Sometimes we hit and sometimes we missed, but in our minds, we did our best.

When they reach the "grown and flown" phase, letting go is less about relief and more about fear



Branna Shores
Can You Relate?

and regret. Our license to lead them, as we knew it, has expired. A different kind of relationship is forged, where we must respect their individuality, choices and personal challenges – but from a distance. The stance of "agree to disagree" can be a saving grace.

But wait! Our work is not done, rather the job description has simply changed. We parents still have a very important

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■ THREE THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

1. Jet Access announced the promotion of Phil Sparks to Chief Aviation Officer. This leadership advancement marks a pivotal moment for the company as it enters a new phase of growth, innovation, and operational alignment across its ownership solutions and aviation platform, signaling renewed energy across both its leadership team and verticals. Sparks, who most recently served as Executive Vice President of Owner Services, will now provide senior leadership across all aviation verticals, including Charter, Maintenance, FBOs & Airports, Flight Training, and Owner Services. Phil's new role will set direction, ensure alignment, and drive operating standards across the enterprise, while execution and day-to-day leadership remain with each division's respective leaders. This structure establishes clear accountability, strengthens coordination, and positions Jet Access for consistent, scalable performance.

2. Data has revealed which counties in Indiana are the least prepared for natural disasters, with Switzerland County ranking first, and experts have revealed the simple steps you can take to protect your home. Garage door service providers at A1 Garage analyzed data from the Federal Emergency Management Agency on community resilience scores for each county in Indiana, based on factors such as housing, healthcare access, education, communication, and poverty, to find those that are the most and least prepared for natural disasters. Switzerland County is the least prepared for natural disasters in Indiana, according to data based on factors including housing, healthcare access, education, communication, and poverty. The rest of the bottom 10 were Crawford, LaGrange, Union, Ohio, Scott, Washington, Parke, Harrison and Owen. The most prepared county in the state is DeKalb County.

3. The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra celebrates the 30th anniversary of the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra with a special fundraising concert on Sunday, May 3 at 3 p.m. at Hilbert Circle Theatre. Tickets are available now. This milestone performance will feature MYO students alongside special guest artists The String Queens, offering an afternoon of music that highlights the growth, talent, and impact of the program over the past three decades. Ticket prices start at \$35 plus fees for adults; \$10 plus fees for students. For this performance only, guests who donate \$50 to MYO will receive access to a special VIP meet and greet with The String Queens following the concert. All donations directly support MYO's mission to develop young musicians and strengthen families through music.

Ben Goldsmith's Brother Was Aptly Named



Paula Dunn
From Time to Thyme

When I began working on this column, I thought it was just going to be about a bizarre tale I found in the April 26, 1906 Hamilton County Times involving a former Noblesville resident, Benjamin "Ben" Goldsmith.

As I did the background research, however, I realized he deserved more attention than I'd originally planned to devote to him.

Ben Goldsmith spent around 40 years of his life here and should have been included when I wrote the columns about Noblesville's early Jewish residents a few years ago. He flew under my radar because, unlike the Levinsons and Josephs, he didn't raise a family here – I can't find any evidence that he ever married – and he died elsewhere.

I don't know exactly when he settled in Noblesville, but I believe he was here at least by 1864. Records show "Bernard" Goldsmith enlisted in the 136th Indiana Infantry company that was raised in Noblesville in 1864.

Since Ben Goldsmith was unquestionably a Civil War veteran and there was apparently only one Goldsmith living here during that time period, it seems reasonable to assume any mention of "Bernard" or "B." Goldsmith actually refers to Ben, although I've been unable to definitively prove that.

I recruited Hamilton County Genealogist Nancy Massey to help me track down information on the Goldsmith family to confirm that assumption, but neither of us had much luck.

I suspect Ben Goldsmith moved here because of Newman Levinson. They were both from Prussia (Germany) and could have known each other there. The 1870 and 1880 censuses show "Bernard Goldsmith" boarding with the Levinson family.

In any event, Ben remained close to the Levinsons throughout his life. He started working here as a clerk in Levinson's clothing store.

Later, he became part owner of a grocery and a creamery.

Generally regarded as one of the most intelligent and well-read men in town, he was every bit as civic-minded as Newman Levinson, and was just as well liked.

He belonged to Noblesville's G.A.R. post and the

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Diana K. Stern

September 16, 1950 - March 31, 2026

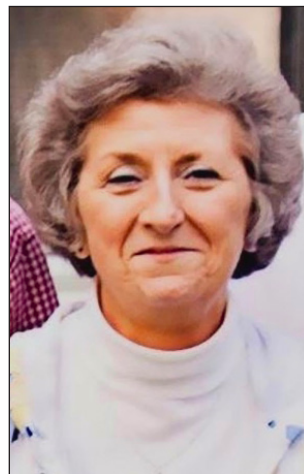
Diana “Kaye” Stern, age 75 and a longtime resident of Noblesville, passed away peacefully on March 31, 2026 at Elwood Health & Living Care Facility in Elwood. She was born September 16, 1950 in Elwood, the daughter of Robert and Velma (Hiday) Stern. Kaye was a 1968 graduate of Hamilton Heights High School. She formerly worked for many years in the business office at Meijer in Noblesville as an office clerk. Kaye was a longtime member of Perkinsville Com-

munity Church where she enjoyed fellowship with the congregation. More than anything, she cherished spending time with her friends and family.

Kaye’s surviving family includes two sisters-in-law, Susan (Roudebush) Stern of Anderson and Charlotte (Stanley) Stern of Nokomis, FL; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Kaye was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Kenneth Stern and Keith Stern.

A funeral service

celebrating Kaye’s life will be held at 11 am on Thursday, April 16, 2026 at Copher-Fesler-May Funeral Home in Elwood with Pastor Nathan McDade of Perkinsville Community Church officiating. Cremation will follow the service. Visitation for family and friends will be held from 10 to 11 am prior to the funeral on Thursday, April 16th at Copher-Fesler-May Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Perkinsville Commu-



nity Church Family Center through the funeral home. Online condolences and memories may be shared at copherfeslermay.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Club That Helped Raise Us – Now It’s Our Turn

Dear Editor,
Since 1951, Noblesville has grown from a quiet town of 6,500 to a thriving city of more than 70,000. Through that growth, one constant has remained for our children: The Boys & Girls Club. As the Club celebrates its 75th Anniversary, it’s clear that staying relevant for three-quarters of a century doesn’t happen by accident – it happens because of a community that continues to show up. For generations of families, the Club has been more than a place to go after school. It’s

been a safe space, a source of mentorship and a foundation for young people to build confidence and discover their potential. If you grew up here – or are raising a family here now – there’s a good chance the Club is part of your story. It remains one of Noblesville’s most enduring and impactful community anchors.

As part of this milestone year, the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville has launched a campaign focused on future growth – ensuring it can continue serving local youth

for the next 75 years. Thanks to the generosity of the Maggioli Families First Foundation and Jeff and Laura Watson, all pledges will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$375,000, doubling the impact of every gift.

Those who commit \$7,500 or more will join the Diamond Giving Society, a group of supporters investing in the long-term strength of the Club. These gifts can be pledged and fulfilled over one, two or three years, making it easier for individuals and families to partic-

ipate in a meaningful way.

Now is an opportunity for our community to come together once again. By supporting the Club today, we are investing not only in the kids who walk through its doors now, but in the generations who will follow.

To learn more or make a pledge, please contact Executive Director Becky Terry at bterry@bgcni.org.

Sincerely,
Monica Peck
Former Club Kid,
Board Member, and
Current Donor

Kokomo Writer Supports Jim Buck

Dear Editor,
Is anyone else as aggravated and disgusted as I am with the extremely negative campaign flyers, which include name calling and lies, being received in your mail for a candidate opposing Senator Jim Buck for the Indiana State Senate District 21? Interestingly enough, if you look closely you will read: “Paid for by Club for Growth Action, and not authorized by any candidate’s

committee.” Do you really want your State Senator to be funded by outside monies? This would result in your State Senator not following the wishes of his constituents but rather following the wishes and dictates of outsiders who are funding the opponent’s campaign, the Club for Growth Action.

This very negative campaign against Senator Jim Buck is a result of Senator Buck

who simply did his job by casting a no vote on redistricting, which represented the expressed opinions of his constituents. At the time that redistricting for Indiana was voted down, it was made very clear in the national press, that any candidate who would oppose redistricting would have an opponent with outside financing in the current election. Thus, these ugly and negative flyers opposing Senator

Jim Buck are supporting any candidate who has chosen to be bound by the outside money donors rather than by the wishes of Indiana residents who have been well served by Senator Buck.

Remember, a vote for Jim Buck is a vote for the candidate who is very much tuned into the wishes of the constituents of Indiana Senate District 21.

Vote for Jim Buck!
Janita Beall
Kokomo

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role as a model for healthy relationships and practices. How we treat our partners, our work ethic, our financial choices ... our whelps are still watching.

That said, I mustn’t neglect to reflect on the perennial perks of parenting the adult child.

Aside from those precious, precocious little people our kiddos produced (our grandchildren), the tides can turn us from “frenemy” to friend alias “outlaw to asset” in their eyes. We can offer support, encouragement and advice (only as requested) to assist our once-youngsters. If we parents refrain from our “jus-

tifiable” judgments, we leave the door cracked, creating room for new growth for all involved.

Richard Bach quoted “If you love someone, set them free. If they come back, they are yours. If they don’t, they never were.” I believe Mr. Bach may have been commenting on cuddling a partner versus coddling a child. However, I think the takeaway is that true love requires freedom, and if a connection is genuine, it will return voluntarily.

For the adult child, letting go can involve forgiving, and remembering that their parents didn’t have a user guide when they were born. And I’m sure if

you asked, most parents would welcome a “do over.” You know, that chance to right our wrongs and apply the knowledge and experience we’ve gained over time. I know I certainly would.

I’m not a therapist or psychologist, simply a single-parenting social worker with two adult daughters. But one lesson I hope to leave my girls is that second chances can create second glances into healthy, rewarding relationships with their not-so-perfect parents. Nonetheless, the optimistic empathy I am firmly believes that unconditional love can conquer all.

‘Just my “two cents” worth this week! Can

you relate?

Can You Relate is a column from Noblesville High School grad Branna (McCarty) Shores. Branna believes that “HOME is where your story begins.” A Noblesville native and proud alum of NHS and Purdue, she is a professional speaker, advocate for mental health and work / family balance and retired social worker. Branna is the mother of two grown daughters, six precious grandchildren and wife of one brave husband! Her passions include singing, writing and sharing the lighter side of life through lessons learned, both personally and professionally. She can be contacted at branna18@gmail.com

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Carmel Second in Top 100 Best Places to Live

Livability.com announced that Carmel has been named one of the 2026 Top 100 Best Places to Live in the U.S. Now in its 13th year, the annual list highlights the nation's most vibrant and affordable small to mid-sized cities.

The 2026 ranking is built on the idea of finding an "everything" city – a place where a career, a home and a high quality of life are all within reach. Out of more than 2,000 cities analyzed, CITY earned its spot through exceptional performance across eight key categories, particularly in the safety, education

and health categories. Notably, the cities on this year's list represent the top 5% of U.S. cities with populations between 75,000 and 500,000.

"Our 'Top 100' is an annual data-driven collection of what we consider to be the best small to mid-size cities," says Amanda Ellis, Livability.com Editor-in-Chief. "As Americans face consistently evolving work dynamics and a desire for the best quality of life possible amidst inflation and uncertainty, our list celebrates places where people can more realistically build families, launch

businesses and lead meaningful lives".

Livability.com partnered with the data experts at Applied Geographic Solutions (AGS) to analyze nearly 100 data points for cities with populations between 75,000 and 500,000. This "sweet spot" population range represents cities that offer big-city opportunities while remaining small enough to feel like home.

Affordability was a primary driver in this year's selection process. Because of rising costs nationwide, the 2026 algorithm gave extra weight to the Housing and Cost of

Living category. To ensure the cities on the list are truly accessible, Livability only includes places with a median home value under \$500,000. Carmel's inclusion underscores its status as a community where your paycheck goes further, and quality of life comes first.

While Carmel earned a high LivScore to secure its spot, the Livability.com platform lets users customize the list by their own priorities, such as safety, education or health care accessibility.

The complete 2026 Top 100 Best Places to Live list is available now at Livability.com.

Carmel Parks to Host Unified 5K (+1-Miler)

Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation invites the community to participate in its annual Unified 5K (+1-Miler) Event on Saturday, May 16, at 10 a.m. at the Central Park trails. Formerly known as the Adaptive 5K, this event welcomes participants of all ages and abilities to run or walk a 5K or 1-mile course in support of adaptive recreation programs.

The Unified 5K offers a welcoming, supportive race experience for the entire community. With both a 5K and 1-mile option, participants can choose the distance that best fits their comfort level and enjoy the event in a way that works for them.

Additionally, the course follows the Central Park trails and is fully accessible for individuals who use wheelchairs, walkers or other mobility aids. The event is also designed to be sensory-friendly, and additional support is available for individuals with disabilities.

"The Unified 5K is all about creating a space where everyone can participate, feel supported and celebrate



Photo courtesy Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation.

The run is May 16 and registration is now open (pre-registration required) with a cost of \$20 per participant.

crossing the finish line together," said Kelvin Solares, CCPR Inclusion Program Supervisor. "Whether you're running, walking or watching from the sidelines, this event is a reminder that recreation is for everyone."

Proceeds from the event support CCPR's continued efforts to provide meaningful, low-cost adaptive recreation programs for individuals with disabilities.

Volunteers play an important role in the

event's success. If you are interested in volunteering, click here to create your CCPR volunteer account. Volunteers under 16 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Registration is now open, and pre-registration is required. The cost is \$20 per participant. For more, go to https://www.carmelclayparks.com/press_release/unified-5k-1-miler-event-carmel/

The start and finish line will be located near

The Waterpark parking lot. Participant parking will be available at the Monon Community Center West building, with signage directing attendees to the course.

The Unified 5K is made possible through the generous support of Megan Varnu and family, as well as our additional sponsors: Centier Bank, Carmel Clay Parks Foundation, BeeFree Gluten-Free Bakery, Carmel Trophies Awards & Gifts and Tikal Homes.

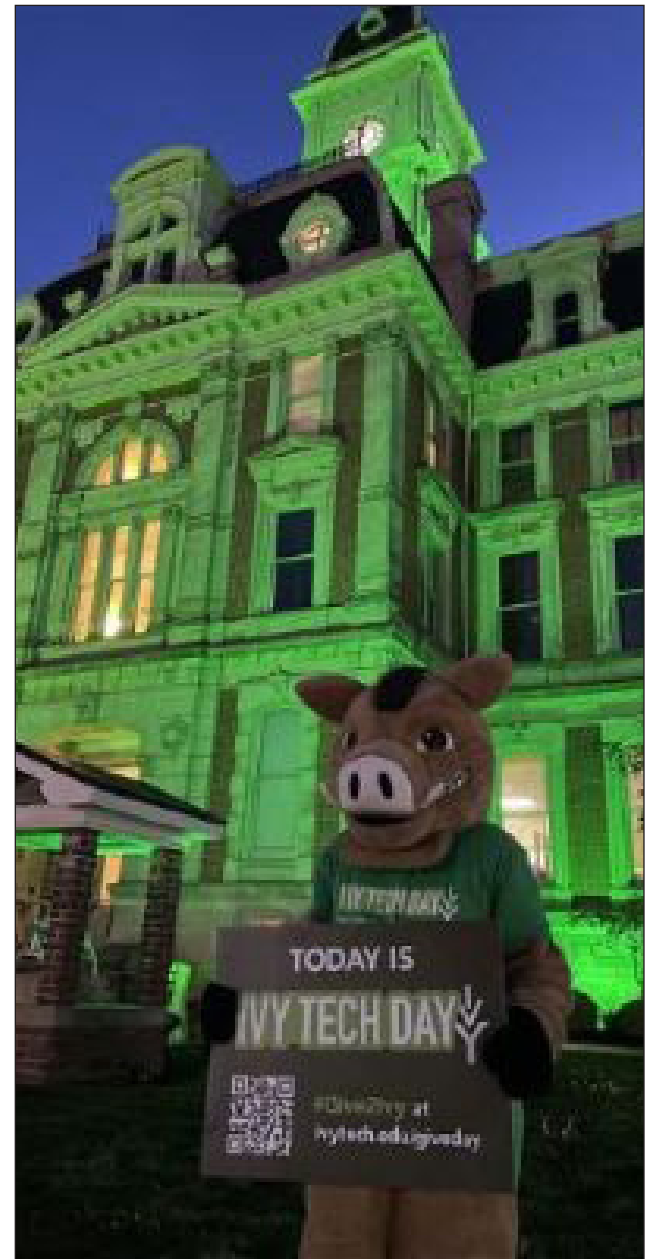


Photo courtesy Ivy Tech
Ivy Tech Hamilton County's mascot, Boris the wild boar in front of the Historic County Courthouse.

Ivy Tech Day is Coming Up

On Tuesday, the community will come together to celebrate student success and expand opportunities across Hamilton County during Ivy Tech Hamilton County's annual Ivy Tech Day. As part of a statewide day of giving, the campus will highlight the powerful impact of philanthropy while rallying support for students pursuing education and training for in-demand careers.

"This day is about more than fundraising. It's about creating opportunity," said Chancellor Rachel Kartz. "Every gift, no matter the size, supports our students and strengthens the future of Hamilton County. Ivy Tech Day reflects the power of a community coming together to invest in its people."

Ivy Tech Day offers alumni, faculty, staff, donors, and community partners a chance to invest in the future of Hamilton County's workforce. For 24 hours, beginning at midnight on April 21, supporters can make a gift, share their stories, and help amplify the importance of accessible, high-quality education.

"Ivy Tech Day is a big moment each year for everyone associated with our college. People across the state come together to support our students, celebrate our alumni, and enhance the impact we have in Indiana," said Stephannie Bailey, president, Ivy Tech Foundation. "Ivy Tech Day is a moment where we can celebrate our successes and nurture the opportunities ahead. We look forward to alumni and friends joining us on this special day."

Last year, generous donors helped drive momentum across the state, contributing thousands of

gifts that continue to support students through scholarships, innovative programs, and hands-on learning opportunities. Building on that success, Ivy Tech Hamilton County has set a goal to raise \$45,000 in unrestricted support this year.

"Indiana communities rely on Ivy Tech to produce a workforce that will support their community workforce needs for decades to come," said Marty Pollio, president, Ivy Tech Community College. "We are excited to join hands with our friends and supporters to grow what we've started."

Funds raised will directly benefit students by enhancing classroom experiences, expanding high-demand programs, and reducing barriers to success. These investments help ensure students can persist in their education and transition into meaningful careers that strengthen the local economy.

To build excitement, the campus has embraced the theme "Hog Wild for Ivy Tech," celebrating its campus mascot and community pride. Throughout the day, supporters are encouraged to share messages on social media and participate in giving challenges. In addition to online giving, the campus will host an on-site celebration from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., featuring a bracelet bar, games provided by SERVE Village, food, music, and more. The event offers an opportunity for the community to connect, celebrate, and learn more about Ivy Tech's impact.

Contributing to Ivy Tech Day is easy. Starting at midnight Tuesday, anyone can give for 24 hours at giveday.ivytech.edu/hamiltoncounty26.

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Masonic lodge, was active in the local Republican Party and helped organize Noblesville's Board of Trade — just to name a few of the interests he pursued here.

In the spring of 1902, at the age of 61, Ben's health became so bad that his brother, Marcus, a doctor, took him home to New York City to look after him.

This is where things get strange.

Ben and Marcus had another brother, Lazarus, who'd disappeared 40-some years earlier. Lazarus left

home one day to buy a book, saying he'd return in a half hour. Instead, he enlisted to fight in the Civil War and never came back.

His family searched for him for years and finally gave him up for dead.

In reality, after the war ended, Lazarus went traveling around the world. He settled in Portland, Oregon, under the name L. K. G. Smith, and ran a small tobacco store there for 35 years. During that time, he managed to amass a fortune in stocks, bonds and Oregon real

estate.

A few years before his death, Lazarus moved back to New York City. There are several conflicting versions of what happened after his return. All that's certain is that at some point a member of the family discovered him and contact was made.

According to the Hamilton County Times, when Ben learned his brother was still alive, his heart couldn't take it and he "expired without a word."

I don't know if that's true, but I have

verified that Ben died in December, 1902. Oddly enough, Marcus passed away about three weeks later.

Lazarus died in 1906. In recognition of the assistance Marcus gave him, he left his considerable estate to Marcus' widow, making her a VERY wealthy woman.

Thanks to Nancy Massey and Barry Shevitz for their help.

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When is Too Far Too Far?

Let me see if I have this straight. Inflation is at the highest level since Joe Biden was president. Gas is over \$4 for the first time in four years. The national debt is inching closer to \$40 trillion – and the debt is growing by \$7.5 billion a day.

A day.
A DAY!!!
Do you realize that's \$312 million an hour. That's more than \$5 million a second.

A SECOND.
In the 12 seconds it took you to read this, our nation's debt has gone up by \$60 million. Think about that please. In a few seconds, our nation's debt has rocketed north of \$60 million. Maybe it'll hit closer to home if you think about it this way.

YOUR SHARE OF THE DEBT WENT UP 17 CENTS IN THAT TIME.

And Donald Trump is a great president?

Hang on MAGAs (and why is anything that says Make America Great Again a bad thing?). Before you go all ICBM on my big ol' butt – Trump isn't the only problem. The rest of the nabobs in Washington are as well.

The problem is all of them . . . as well as all of us who keep voting for them . . . as well as all of those who have checked out and don't vote anymore.

Like Pogo said so many years ago, we have met the enemy and he is us.

Friends, something has to give and give soon. The Don is starting to remind me of Bob Knight. Like a lot of Hoosiers, I grew up a big fan of the fiery coach in the plaid sport coat. He ran a clean program, his players played hard, saluted the flag and represented their school and our state pretty doggone well . . . and, oh yeah, they won a national championship or three. And Knight was the shining star above it all until he wasn't. It seemed about the time he decided he was bigger than the program is about the time things started going downhill.

Starting to sound familiar?

The Don has been pretty busy renaming all sorts of things after himself (just for grins and giggles, I hope the next guy or gal who sits in the oval re-names everything back to what it was). Trump is cleaning up some of the messes Biden left behind (and c'mon, even the staunchest Democrats have to admit by the end Biden was losing it almost



Two Cents

from Tim Timmons

as fast as the debt is rising).

(Just for your good information, your share of the debt has gone up 68 cents since you started reading this. And don't think if you stop reading it'll help. That meter for you, me and Aunt Sally is just whizzing away!)

Truth to tell, I'm not sure we can survive another few years of The Don – and whoever follows him, unless something changes.

Here's what we are seeing:

Trump draws lines in the sand, changes them and ignores them until they are a joke.

Everyone who works under him can't seem to make a statement unless they mention Trump by name and give him all the credit.

He actually said: "A whole civilization will die tonight, never to be brought back again."

That's even more mind-boggling than the debt. Do the leaders of Iran – the perpetrators of evil against the United States – need to die? Above my pay grade, but I wouldn't argue against it. But a whole civilization? Babies? Women? Children?

How did we as a nation not take that one comment and say enough.

Enough!
Of course all that was before The Don decided to depict himself as Jesus Christ, healing a man. I'm not even sure which was worse, the blasphemy of the image (and is there any other word to describe it) or that Trump thinks we are all stupid enough to buy his lame explanation that he was trying to portray himself as a doctor. Sure, Don. Whatever you say.

J.D. Vance even tried to explain saying it was simply meant as a joke. Maybe he and his boss ought to get their stories straight. Trump said it was him posing as a doctor . . . and if anyone said anything else, it's fake news. Fake news? Tell you what, Trump's chilling image as Jesus, his words that said we were going to purposefully wipe out a while civilization, his continued spending extravaganzas . . . that's not fake. My gas bill isn't fake. Being \$1.02

deeper in debt right now isn't fake.

I voted for Donald Trump. I thought he would be better than Hillary, better than Biden, better than Kamala.

He's turning out to be just another politician who does some good while running up a bill our great-grandchildren will be paying. He's also turned out to be the least classiest president of all time.

When has any U.S. president stooped to this level?

Is it time to go back to the Democrats? They're classier (heck, a sloth is classier than Trump), but they are no better at the job.

It's time that love of country comes first. It's time to stop putting politicians above everyone like they are our overlords. It's time for those in Washington to start acting like the hired hands they are and not the ruling class. It's time they live with the same benefits, the same vacations and the same problems the rest of us do.

Been said in this space before and it'll be said again. Why do we want people in Congress who are ALWAYS going to vote party line? If you are a Democrat, you don't think a Republican can have a good idea? If you're a Republican, you can't find middle ground with Democrats? You nincompoops, you are supposed to be finding the best answers for the American people – not your damn party!

We got trouble my friends. We have a man who is more focused on himself than his country. We have most of the rest of Congress more worried about their party than their country. And if there is anyone out there who could make a difference, the rules are so stacked against them that chances are we'll never even learn their name.

It needs to change and it needs to change now. Anyone got \$1.68 I can borrow?

Tim Timmons is the former regional publisher for Moser Community Media and lived in Corsicana. He is now the Executive Director of the Kentucky Press Association.

Lions CAN Help!

Photo courtesy Noblesville Lions
Noblesville Lions are collecting new, manual can openers to share with families who rely on local food pantries for support. Many families receive canned goods, but don't own a working can opener. Community members can donate new, manual can openers at the entrance to Ginger's Cafe during regular business hours. From left, Lions George Long and Bob Minton are among the first to donate can openers.



Photo courtesy Sheridan Schools
During the fast-paced and competitive match-ups, teams across grade levels showcased their teamwork, sportsmanship, and school spirit.

Sheridan Elementary Classes Enjoy Annual Dodgeball Tournament

Before leaving on a restful Spring Break, Sheridan Elementary held another exciting event. The annual dodgeball tournament is a high-energy, high-stakes event that brings together students, staff, and families alike for louder-than-ever cheers.

Wednesday, March

2h, was the day the Cosmic Claws "clawed" their way to the championship title, earning themselves well-deserved bragging rights for the rest of the year. During the fast-paced and competitive match-ups, teams across grade levels showcased their teamwork, sportsmanship,

and school spirit.

A special thank you goes out to the Sheridan Elementary Student Council for organizing yet another successful tournament. Their hard work and dedication ensured a fun, safe, and spirited event for students, families, and staff.

Sen. Buck Shares Update

Suspending the Gas Tax

This week, I joined State Sen. Travis Holdman in urging the governor to temporarily suspend the state's tax on gas.

Shortly after my call to suspend the tax, Gov. Braun announced a 30-day suspension of the state's 7% sales tax on gas, which will help Hoosiers save money as the cost to fill up remains high.

Senate Republicans have a long track record of passing laws to lower costs and

cut taxes for Hoosiers.

Despite everything we've worked on at the Statehouse to maintain our state's low cost of living, the current price of gas is adding too much pressure on Hoosier families.

Thanks to our years of fiscal discipline, Indiana has the ability to provide this much-needed relief for Hoosiers. I will continue to prioritize affordability issues so all Hoosiers can thrive. State Seeking Golden

Hoosier Nominations

The state is now accepting nominations for the 2026 Golden Hoosier Award, which recognizes senior citizens for their lifetime of volunteer service to our local communities.

The award is open to any Hoosier 65 and older who has volunteered in their communities for the past three years or more.

State Sen. Jim Buck represent District 21, which includes Tipton County and portions of Hamilton and Howard counties.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

29D01-2603-EU-000138
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
) SS: COURT 1
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2603-EU-00013
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
MARGIE SUE JACKSON, DECEASED.)
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Heather Jackson, on March 24, 2026, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Margie Sue Jackson, deceased, who died on the 13th of February, 2026, not leaving a will. The estate will be administered without Court Supervision.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or said claims will be forever barred.
Dated this March 24, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court I
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Bryan San Jose
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29D02-2603-EU-000147
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) DOCKET NO.: 29D02-2603-EU-000147
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF DOUGLAS LEE ETTER, DECEASED.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
In the matter of the Estate of Douglas Lee Etter, deceased.
Cause Number: 29D02-2603-EU-000147
Notice is hereby given that on March 27, 2026, Tiffany Lyn Etter was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Douglas Lee Etter, who died on November 13, 2025.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Hamilton County, Indiana, on March 27, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court
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29D03-2603-EU-000156
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT NO. 3
STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED)
ESTATE OF INA MAY KOORS,)
DECEASED)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on April 2, 2026, Rick D. Kercheval was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Ina May Koors, deceased, who died on October 22, 2025.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on April 2, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
Clerk
Hamilton County Circuit and Superior Courts
Coots Henke & Wheeler, P.C.
255 East Carmel Drive
Carmel, Indiana 46032-2689
Telephone: (317) 844-4693
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29D01-2604-EU-000167
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT I
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2604-EU-000167
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
RONALD C. ROGERS, DECEASED.)
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth J. Rogers, on April 7, 2026, was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of Ronald C. Rogers, deceased, who died on the 1st day of March, 2021, leaving a will and codicil. The estate will be administered without Court Supervision.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or said claims will be forever barred.
Dated this April 7, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court I
C. Daniel Yates
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Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
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SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 4
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D04-2602-MF-002105
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
SOLOMON ENNIN, RACHEL BLESSED-ENNIN, FRYSA HOLDINGS INC, BENJAMIN FREEZE, STATE OF INDIANA and GRAY EAGLE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION INC. ,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Defendant(s) above named, and any other person who may be concerned.
You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.
The nature of the suit against you is:
Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate
Against the property commonly known as 12546 Elgin Ct, Fishers, IN 46037-7544 and described as follows:
Lot Number 4 in Cottonwood Creek at Gray Eagle, Section 2, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded as Instrument Number 200200098703, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendants: Solomon Ennin, Rachel Blessed-Ennin, State of Indiana and Gray Eagle Homeowners' Association Inc.
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Frysa Holdings Inc and Benjamin Freeze
If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response.
You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded, by the Plaintiff.
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.
By /s/ Matthew S. Love
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NOTICE
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals for Grand Park Boulevard and Tournament Trail Traffic Signal Installation Project will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074 until 10:30 a.m., local time, on Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.
Project generally includes installing a traffic signal at Grand Park Boulevard and Tournament Trail. ADA curb ramps, concrete sidewalks, pavement markings and highway signs are included in the construction limits.
Bids shall be properly and completely executed on the Proposal Form obtainable at the office of the Owner. Each bid shall be accompanied by Form 96 Contractor's Bid for Public Works, including Non-Collusion Affidavit as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts, completely filled out, signed, and notarized as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana, Section III of Part II of Form 96 titled "Contractor's Financial Statement," and acceptable bid security. The bid security shall be a certified check made payable to the Owner or satisfactory bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana in an amount equal to 5% of the bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which bid is made. Any bid not accompanied by the above required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.
No consideration for escalation on prices can be considered; therefore, contractors are advised to not include any such escalation clauses in their proposal for this project.
The Contractors to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and they shall be acceptable to the City of Westfield, Indiana.
No bidder may withdraw their proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving bids. The City of Westfield, Indiana reserves the right to retain the three lowest bid proposals for a period of not more than 90 days, and said proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City of Westfield, Indiana further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the City of Westfield, Indiana, or to reject all Proposals.
The Contract Documents and drawings will be available to all interested parties from: Repro Graphix, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or at eplanroom.reprographix.com.
Please direct all questions regarding this project to Michael Pearce, City of Westfield, Department of Public Works, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 473-2917, mpearce@westfield.in.gov
By: Michael Pearce, City of Westfield
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NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
In the Matter of the Estate of Ruth Ann Gigax, Deceased
Estate No.: 29D01-2603-EU-000153
Notice is hereby given that James Eric Gigax was on April 2, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Ruth Ann Gigax, deceased, who died on the 27th day of February, 2026.
All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on April 2, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams,
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
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Strawtown Koteewi Park Koteewi Aerial Adventure Operator
Request for Proposals:
The Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department is seeking proposals for a contracted aerial course operator at Strawtown Koteewi Park. A bid packet containing proposal information may be obtained at the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department's Administration Office, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville, IN, 46060-1305. A digital copy of the bid packet may also be requested over the phone by calling the Administration Office at (317) 770-4400. Proposals will be received by the Department at the preceding address until 3:00 p.m. (Local time) on Friday, April 17, 2026.
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CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:
By / At: City of Noblesville, Indiana
Office of the Clerk
16 S. 10th Street
Noblesville, Indiana 46060
Project: 2026 Street Rehabilitation - Contract I (EN-398-01)
Until: 09:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, April 28, 2026
Receipt of Bids: Bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid Form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013) as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Bidders shall submit financial data, statement of experience, proposed plan for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work, along with a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by Form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the Bidder, and clearly identified:
SEALED BID: 2026 STREET REHABILITATION - CONTRACT I (EN-398-01)
Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City of Noblesville at the Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 09:00 AM, local time, Tuesday, April 28, 2026.
Pre-Bid Meeting: No pre-bid meeting will be held for this project.
Qualification of Bidders: Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work type, must be on the most current Indiana Department of Transportation Pre-Qualified Contractors list at the date of the Bid Opening for the types of work involved with this project, including, but not limited to "Placing Asphalt Pavement", "Asphalt Pavement Milling", "Traffic Control: Pavement Markings", and "Surface Masonry and Misc. Concrete."
The Work: The Work shall be completed by certified / qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:
Base bid for which proposals are to be received is for the construction of 2026 Street Rehabilitation - Contract I. Work scope involves spot sidewalk replacement, ADA ramp reconstruction, spot curb replacement, pavement milling, and placement of HMA surface within residential areas.
Contract Award: Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, 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 solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.
Bid Documents: Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after April 13, 2026. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to dochoa@noblesville.in.gov and arodewald@noblesville.in.gov requesting instructions to download project documents.
Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville - Engineering Department prior to 12:00PM, local time on Thursday, April 24, 2026. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders List. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact person for questions is:
Andrew Rodewald, PE
City of Noblesville - Engineering Department
Email - arodewald@noblesville.in.gov
Carbon Copy Question To:
Deon Ochoa
Construction Manager
Email - dochoa@noblesville.in.gov
Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Bidding Documents and the Project Manual and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of Bidding Documents or Project Manual. Bids must be submitted on the forms contained in the Project Manual and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.
Bid Security:
Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.
Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals for 191st Street Road Widening Project will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074 until 10:15 a.m., local time, on Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.
Project generally includes roadway widening and re-construction of approximately 3,300 feet converting a two-lane roadway to a five-lane boulevard-style with curb and gutter, curbed medians, storm sewers, multi-use path, sidewalk, curb ramps, pavement markings, signing, and lighting. A roundabout at the intersection of 191st Street and Grand Park Boulevard and a bridge over 191st Street for the Monon Trail are included in the construction limits.
Bids shall be properly and completely executed on the Proposal Form obtainable at the office of the Owner. Each bid shall be accompanied by Form 96 Contractor's Bid for Public Works, including Non-Collusion Affidavit as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts, completely filled out, signed, and notarized as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana, Section III of Part II of Form 96 titled "Contractor's Financial Statement," and acceptable bid security. The bid security shall be a certified check made payable to the Owner or satisfactory bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana in an amount equal to 5% of the bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which bid is made. Any bid not accompanied by the above required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.
No consideration for escalation on prices can be considered; therefore, contractors are advised to not include any such escalation clauses in their proposal for this project.
The Contractors to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and they shall be acceptable to the City of Westfield, Indiana.
No bidder may withdraw their proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving bids. The City of Westfield, Indiana reserves the right to retain the three lowest bid proposals for a period of not more than 90 days, and said proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City of Westfield, Indiana further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the City of Westfield, Indiana, or to reject all Proposals.
The Contract Documents and drawings will be available to all interested parties from: Repro Graphix, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or at eplanroom.reprographix.com.
Please direct all questions regarding this project to Michael Pearce, City of Westfield, Department of Public Works, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 473-2917, mpearce@westfield.in.gov
By: Michael Pearce, City of Westfield
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals for SR 32 and Mule Barn Road Intersection Improvement will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074 until 10:00 a.m., local time, on Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.
Project generally includes roadway widening and re-construction of approximately 3,000 feet of Mule Barn Road, including improvements to the intersection at SR 32 that will add a southbound left-turn lane, eastbound left-turn lane, and westbound right-turn lane at the intersection. Both concrete and asphalt mainline paving, along with shoulders and drainage improvements are included in the construction limits.
Bids shall be properly and completely executed on the Proposal Form obtainable at the office of the Owner. Each bid shall be accompanied by Form 96 Contractor's Bid for Public Works, including Non-Collusion Affidavit as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts, completely filled out, signed, and notarized as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana, Section III of Part II of Form 96 titled "Contractor's Financial Statement," and acceptable bid security. The bid security shall be a certified check made payable to the Owner or satisfactory bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana in an amount equal to 5% of the bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which bid is made. Any bid not accompanied by the above required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.
No consideration for escalation on prices can be considered; therefore, contractors are advised to not include any such escalation clauses in their proposal for this project.
The Contractors to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and they shall be acceptable to the City of Westfield, Indiana.
No bidder may withdraw their proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving bids. The City of Westfield, Indiana reserves the right to retain the three lowest bid proposals for a period of not more than 90 days, and said proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City of Westfield, Indiana further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the City of Westfield, Indiana, or to reject all Proposals.
The Contract Documents and drawings will be available to all interested parties from: Repro Graphix, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or at eplanroom.reprographix.com.
Please direct all questions regarding this project to Michael Pearce, City of Westfield, Department of Public Works, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 473-2917, mpearce@westfield.in.gov
By: Michael Pearce, City of Westfield
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The following will be sold for charges:
16708 DEAN RD WESTFIELD on 5/1/2026 @ 12:00PM
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29D02-2603-EU-000135
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Matter of the Estate of MICHAEL A. GREEN, SR., deceased.
Estate Docket: 29D02-2603-EU-000135
In the Hamilton Superior Court
Hamilton County, Indiana
Notice is hereby given that KELLY M. GREEN was on the 19th day of March, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of MICHAEL A. GREEN, SR., deceased, who died on January 28, 2026. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Franklin, Indiana, the 19th day of March, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2603-EU-000160
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF EMIL A. SHERMER, SR., DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Emil A. Shemer, Jr. was, on April 1, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Emil A. Shemer, Sr., Deceased, who died on August 24, 2025.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this April 1, 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
Rebecca W. Geyer, Esq.
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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING
Board of Zoning Appeals
City of Noblesville, Indiana
This notice is to inform you of a Public Hearing that will be held by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals on the 4th day of May, 2026. This hearing, to discuss application TEMP 000685-2026, will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, Noblesville City Hall at 16 South 10th Street. A live stream of the meeting will be available on the City's YouTube page at www.youtube.com/@CityofNoblesville. The application submitted by JS Held LLC for Mustard Seed Gardens requests that approval be granted to a temporary use pursuant to UDO § 9.6.5 to allow a temporary structure for longer than permitted by ordinance on property located at 77 Metsker, Noblesville, 46062.
Written suggestions or objections relative to the application above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting, and will be heard by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will have an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place.
A list of each appointed officer's name, their appointing authority, and term dates is available at www.noblesville.in.gov/boards. This hearing may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development at 16 South 10th Street, Suite 150 and may be reviewed during regular office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A copy of the file may also be viewed on www.noblesville.in.gov/applications by clicking on the public records search and entering the case number or address listed above.
Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals
Caleb Gutshall, Secretary
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
ON SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT
Pursuant to Indiana Code § 20-26-5-4.3
The Board of School Trustees of Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Board"), being the governing body of Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Corporation") will hold a public meeting for the purpose of receiving public comment on a proposed superintendent contract as provided by Ind. Code §20-26-5-4.3. The public meeting will be held on April 29, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at the Hamilton Southeastern Central Office, 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers, IN 46038.
This notice will be posted on the Corporation's website, along with a complete copy of the proposed contract. After the public meeting, the Board will consider the public's input, and then the Board anticipates it will vote on the proposed contract.
Summary of Proposed Contract Terms
1. Term: The Contract will run through June 30, 2028.
2. Salary: \$205,000/year. The Board, in its sole discretion, may increase the salary of the Superintendent on an annualized basis depending on the results of the Board's evaluation of the Superintendent. This increase may not exceed \$20,000.
3. 403(b) Plan Contribution: The Corporation will annually contribute ten percent (10%) of the Superintendent's gross salary.
4. Superintendent may participate in the Corporation's insurance plans under the same terms and conditions applicable to all other full-time administrators employed by the Corporation.
5. The Superintendent shall receive the same number of sick days, vacation days, and personal days as other full-time administrators.
6. Life insurance: Superintendent shall have the right to elect term life insurance (in the amount of 2 times base salary) and the Corporation shall pay the premiums for said policy.
7. Automobile allowance: Superintendent will receive \$500 monthly as additional basic salary in lieu of an auto allowance or mileage reimbursement.
8. Technology allowance: the Corporation agrees to provide Superintendent with a monthly technology allowance of \$100.
9. Administrative Benefits: Any other benefit Corporation makes available to other certified administrative employees.
10. In light of the unique nature of the professional duties of Superintendent, the Corporation shall, at its expense, provide to the Superintendent a complete medical examination of Superintendent once each year.
11. Any appropriate, reasonable business and professional expenses incurred on behalf of the Corporation. Appropriate expenses shall include the cost of membership and participation in professional associations of school leaders, community organizations, and travel, meal, and accommodation expenses related to the Superintendent's attendance at preapproved conferences and activities.
Board of School Trustees of
Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation
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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 3
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D03-2603-EU-000115
IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
GARNETTE ROSE MCCONNELL, DECEASED)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court 3 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Kimberly M. Harrington was, on the 7th day of April 2026, appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate of Garnette Rose McConnell, deceased, who died on January 7, 2025.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 7th day of April 2026.
Kathy Kream Williams
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT 3
FOR HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals for SR 32 and Mule Barn Road Intersection Improvement will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074 until 10:00 a.m., local time, on Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.
Project generally includes roadway widening and re-construction of approximately 3,000 feet of Mule Barn Road, including improvements to the intersection at SR 32 that will add a southbound left-turn lane, eastbound left-turn lane, and westbound right-turn lane at the intersection. Both concrete and asphalt mainline paving, along with shoulders and drainage improvements are included in the construction limits.
Bids shall be properly and completely executed on the Proposal Form obtainable at the office of the Owner. Each bid shall be accompanied by Form 96 Contractor's Bid for Public Works, including Non-Collusion Affidavit as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts, completely filled out, signed, and notarized as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana, Section III of Part II of Form 96 titled "Contractor's Financial Statement," and acceptable bid security. The bid security shall be a certified check made payable to the Owner or satisfactory bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana in an amount equal to 5% of the bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which bid is made. Any bid not accompanied by the above required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.
No consideration for escalation on prices can be considered; therefore, contractors are advised to not include any such escalation clauses in their proposal for this project.
The Contractors to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and they shall be acceptable to the City of Westfield, Indiana.
No bidder may withdraw their proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving bids. The City of Westfield, Indiana reserves the right to retain the three lowest bid proposals for a period of not more than 90 days, and said proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City of Westfield, Indiana further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the City of Westfield, Indiana, or to reject all Proposals.
The Contract Documents and drawings will be available to all interested parties from: Repro Graphix, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or at eplanroom.reprographix.com.
Please direct all questions regarding this project to Michael Pearce, City of Westfield, Department of Public Works, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 473-2917, mpearce@westfield.in.gov
By: Michael Pearce, City of Westfield
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Photo courtesy Rep. Spartz' office

Spartz at NASA

Rep. Victoria Spartz, R-IN 5, of Noblesville joined NASA and her congressional colleagues for the Artemis II launch recently, marking a historic step toward returning humans to the Moon after more than 50 years.

County Launches New Online Procurement Portal

Hamilton County has launched a new online Procurement Portal powered by OpenGov, providing vendors with a centralized platform to view bid opportunities, receive notifications and submit proposals electronically.

The new system modernizes the County's procurement process through a fully web-based solution that allows vendors to easily register, track solicitations, and respond to requests for proposals (RFPs), bids, and other purchasing opportunities.

Through the portal, vendors can:

Register to receive notifications when new opportunities are posted

View current and up-

coming solicitations

Submit proposals electronically

Receive updates, amendments, and addenda automatically

Vendor registration is completely free, and businesses interested in working with Hamilton County are encouraged to register and subscribe to notifications to stay informed of future opportunities.

The new platform is designed to improve efficiency, enhance transparency, and expand access to businesses interested in partnering with Hamilton County.

Vendors can register and access the new Procurement Portal at:

<https://hamilton-county.in.gov/2130/Bid-Opportunities-and-Solicitation>

Carmel Farmers Market Opens May 2

The Carmel Farmers Market is ready to celebrate summer by bringing guests the freshest and best Indiana grown / produced food in the U.S. The market opens on Saturday, May 2 at Carter Green in Carmel and is open from 8-11:30 a.m. (rain or shine) every Saturday through Sept. 26.

Many farm vendors have been with CFM since 1998 at the inaugural market which has now grown to 84 of the finest vendors bringing the best they have to offer! Families will enjoy talking with vendors, tasting delicious food at beautiful Carter Green, in the heart of Carmel.

Joining our great vendor lineup are nine vendors who are new

to the Carmel Summer Farmers Market including Café Baby to Go, Dudley's Toffee,

CFM's first Market Master, Jim Keckley, in the summer of 1999. Four hundred free tree

of free parking and a welcoming smile. We look forward to seeing you so you 'Get Fresh on Saturday!' <https://www.carmelfarmers-market.com/>



Elevation Produce, Family Roots Salsa, Heritage Homestead Farm, Indiana Whiskey, Moonlight Baking Company, Stuckey Farm Orchard and Sun to Spoon.

On Opening Day, festivities kick off with free donuts for the first 500 guests as a tradition started by

saplings from Carmel Urban Forestry Committee and the Carmel Street Department Urban Forestry Division. Carmel Mayor, Sue Finkham, will open the market ringing the farm bell at 8 a.m.

Be sure to start your summer market season in Carmel on May 2! There is always plenty



The Carmel Farmers Market began in 1998 and has now grown to 84 vendors.

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