

# Exhibit “A”

**RESOLUTION CC 4-11-2022-1**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION AND SUBMISSION OF A  
PETITION TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Council (the "Council") is an eligible entity for the purposes of IC 13-26; and

WHEREAS, The Council has determined that there is a need for a regional district in Hamilton County (the "County") and wishes to authorize the creation and submission of a petition for the establishment of a regional district;

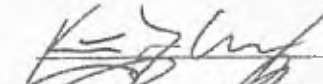
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, that:

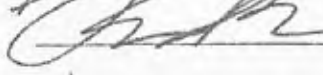
Section 1. The Council authorizes the creation and submission of a petition to the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management requesting an order for the establishment of the Hamilton County Regional Water and Sewer District under IC 13-26.

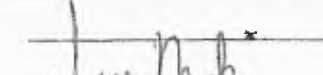
Section 2. The Council names Board of Commissioners' President, Steve Dillinger, to be the representative of the County and authorizes Commissioner Steve Dillinger to sign the petition on the County's behalf.

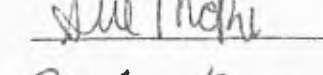
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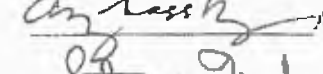
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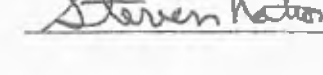
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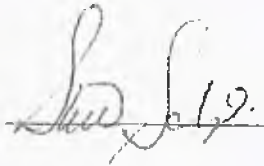
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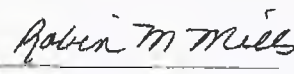
 Fred Glynn \_\_\_\_\_

 Sue Maki \_\_\_\_\_

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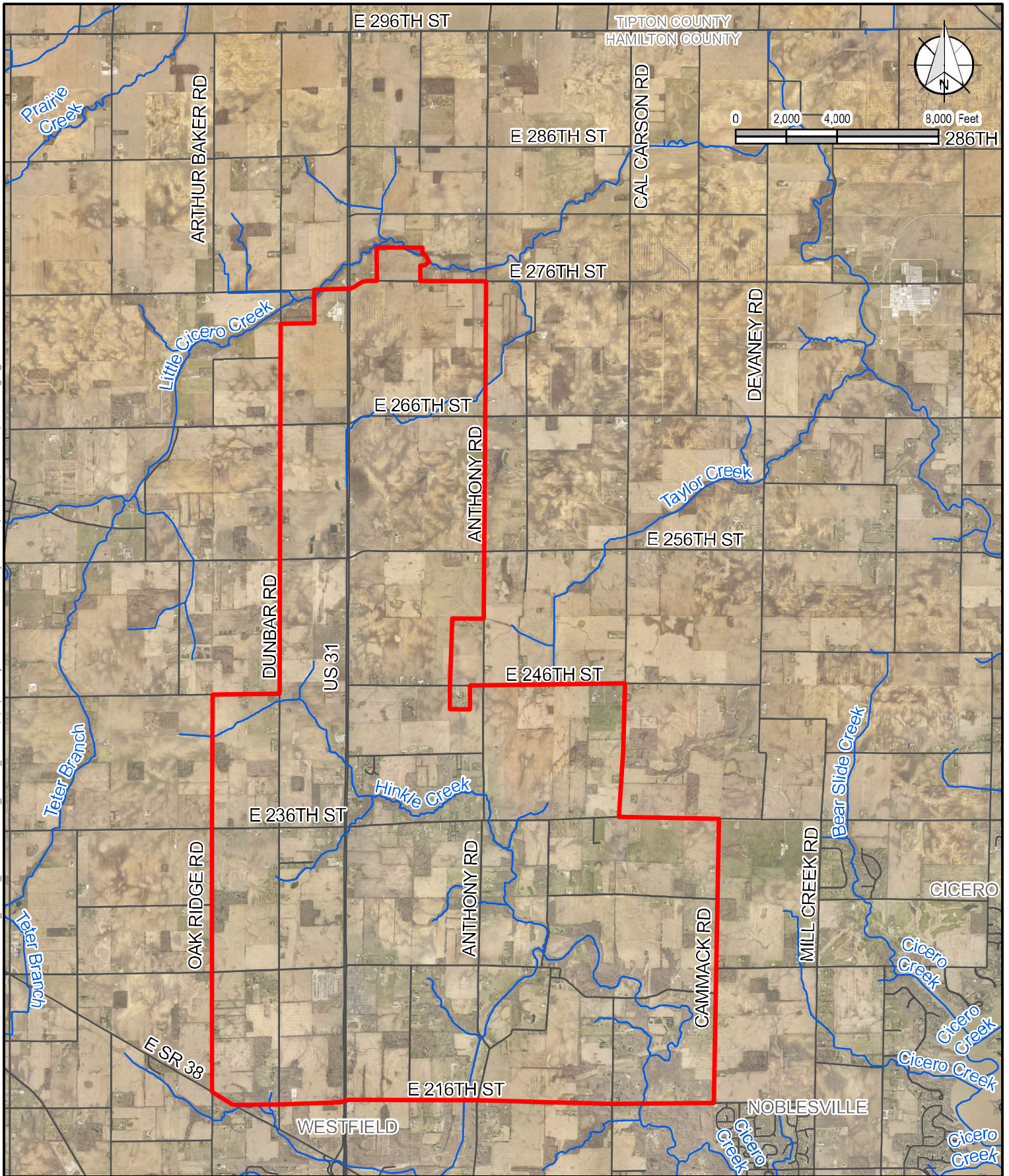
 Steve Nation \_\_\_\_\_

 Steve Schwartz

ATTEST:   
Robin M. Mills, Auditor

# Exhibit “B”





Legend

- Street Centerline
- Streams (NHD)
- Hamilton County Regional Utility District Boundary

Scale: 1:60,000

**HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL  
UTILITY DISTRICT BOUNDARY**

**Hamilton County Indiana  
August 2022  
244721-01-001**



## **Hamilton County Regional Utility District Description of District Boundary**

The District boundary lines shall be as described:

Beginning at the northeastern boundary point at the intersection of East 276<sup>th</sup> Street and Anthony Road, south on Anthony Road to a point approximately 2,600 feet south of 256th Street in line with the south edge of Parcel 03-02-30-00-00-006.000, then west approximately 1,250 feet following the south edge of Parcel 03-02-30-00-00-006.000 to the east edge of Parcel 03-02-30-00-00-009.000, then south approximately 3,600 feet along the east edge of Parcels 03-02-30-00-00-009.000 and 03-02-31-00-00-004.000, then east approximately 790 feet along the south edge of parcels 03-02-31-00-00-005.004, 03-02-31-00-00-005.003, and 03-02-31-00-00-005.002, then north approximately 940 feet to 246th Street. From this point, east along 246th Street to Cal Carson Road, then south on Cal Carson Road to 236th Street. From the intersection of 236th Street and Cal Carson Road, east on East 236th Street to Cammack Road, then south on Cammack Road to East 216th Street, then west on East 216th Street to Dunbar Road, then continuing west along the section line to State Road 38, then northwest on State Road 38 to Oak Ridge Road, then north on Oak Ridge Road to East 236th Street, then continuing north along the section line to 246th Street, then east on 246th Street to Dunbar Road. From the intersection of 246th Street and Dunbar Road, north along Dunbar Road to a point approximately 1,320 feet south of the intersection of Dunbar Road and 276th Street in line with the north edge of Parcel 01-01-13-00-00-008.000, then east approximately 1,330 feet following the north edge of Parcel 01-01-13-00-00-008.000, then north approximately 1,320 feet to 276th Street, then east along 276th Street to the western property line of the Indiana State Armory Board property (Parcel 03-02-07-00-00-013.005). From this point, following the property boundaries of Parcel 03-02-07-00-00-013.005, north approximately 1,320 feet, east approximately 1,810 feet, south following the property boundaries approximately 1,320 feet to 276th Street, then east along 276th Street to the beginning point at Anthony Road.

END

# Exhibit “C”



# HAMILTON COUNTY INDIANA

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Charles Harris, M.D. - Health Officer

April 11, 2022

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners  
One Hamilton County Square, Suite 157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Re: Bakers Corner and US 31 Corridor  
Regional Utility District

Hamilton County Commissioners:

The Hamilton County Health Department supports the formation of the proposed Regional Utility District. The on-site sewage disposal systems for residences within the Bakers Corner community were examined in 2002 and 2003. Water samples taken from the county regulated drain revealed e-coli counts as high as 9,000,000, indicating the direct connection of sewage to the county regulated drain. After completing dye tests to determine the sources of the discharge, the Health Department was provided the opportunity to work with the residents to eliminate the discharges and permit the installation of replacement onsite sewage disposal systems. Even after our best efforts not every residence was able to fully meet the requirements of the current rule thus some permits had to be issued under the "Best Judgement" clause of the Residential On-Site Sewage Disposal Rule. Due to lot size constraints and separation distances from wells, the majority of the home sites in Bakers Corner do not allow for another replacement of their current sewage disposal system.

The installation of sanitary sewers and wastewater treatment facility for the Bakers Corner community will be a tremendous asset as there are no options available for proper sewage disposal when the current systems fail. Connection to a sanitary sewer system will reduce the e-coli pollution and improve the public health and safety in the area. The state regulated discharge from a wastewater treatment plant to Baker Ditch will result in a cleaner stream due to less e-coli pollution while improving water quality.

In addition, with the expectation of more commercial and residential growth due to the planned interchanges at 236<sup>th</sup> Street and 276<sup>th</sup> Street, we support the installation of potable drinking water and sanitary sewers. Our county's water bodies and improved water supplies will enhance public health and safety.

Respectfully,

Jason LeMaster, R.E.H.S.  
Administrator



# HAMILTON COUNTY

## INDIANA

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Charles Harris, M.D. - Health Officer

May 18, 2022

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners  
One Hamilton County Square, Suite 157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Re: Bakers Corner and US 31 Corridor Regional Utility District addition of Deming

Hamilton County Commissioners:

The Hamilton County Health Department supports the formation of the proposed Regional Utility District with a future expansion to provide sewer and water utilities to the community of Deming. Deming is a small rural community with homes that were constructed in the late 1800's and early 1900's. Of these homes, septic records could be located for approximately 4 properties. As similar with the Bakers Corner community, lot sizes are small and present their own set of unique challenges for the installation of onsite sewage disposal systems. It is highly likely that not every residence would be able to fully meet the requirements of the current rule thus some permits would have to be issued under the "Best Judgement" clause of the Residential On-Site Sewage Disposal Rule.

The future expansion of sanitary sewers for the Deming community will be a tremendous asset. Connection to a sanitary sewer system will reduce the e-coli pollution and improve the public health and safety in the area. In turn this will improve the water quality in both Hinkle Creek and Jones Ditch. The state regulated discharge from a wastewater treatment plant to Baker Ditch will result in a cleaner stream due to less e-coli pollution while improving water quality.

In addition, with the expectation of more commercial and residential growth due to the planned interchanges at 236<sup>th</sup> Street and 276<sup>th</sup> Street, we support the installation of potable drinking water and sanitary sewers. Our county's water bodies and improved water supplies will enhance public health and safety.

Respectfully,

Jason LeMaster, R.E.H.S.  
Administrator



**Indiana**  
**Department**  
**of**  
**Health**



Eric J. Holcomb  
*Governor*

Kristina M. Box, MD, FACOG  
*State Health Commissioner*

May 4, 2022

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners  
One Hamilton County Square, Suite 157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Re: Bakers Corner and US 31 Corridor Regional Utility District

Dear Commissioners:

The Indiana Department of Health supports the formation of the proposed Regional Utility District in Hamilton County. New sewers and wastewater treatment for the Bakers Corner community would greatly reduce E. coli pollution and improve public health and safety in the area.

In addition, the Department has been informed of the expectation of more commercial and residential growth due to the planned interchanges at 236<sup>th</sup> Street and 276<sup>th</sup> Street. We support the installation of potable drinking water and sanitary sewers to help eliminate the E. coli pollution and enhance public health and safety. Clean water is of paramount importance to the health and safety of Hoosiers, and the establishment of a Regional Utility District helps achieve this goal.

Sincerely,

Kristina M. Box, MD, FACOG  
State Health Commissioner

To promote, protect, and improve the health and safety of all Hoosiers.



**Jackson Township Hamilton County**  
**506 W. Main Street**  
**P.O. Box 456**  
**Arcadia, IN 46030**

**Robyn Cook | Township Trustee**

[trustee@jacksontownshiptrustee.com](mailto:trustee@jacksontownshiptrustee.com)

April 12, 2022

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners  
One Hamilton County Square, Suite 157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Re: Bakers Corner and US 31 Corridor  
Regional Utility District

Commissioners:

Jackson Township supports the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners in establishing a regional water and sewer district along the US 31 corridor in Jackson Township. Currently there are no utility providers in the proposed district area, and we anticipate more commercial and residential growth due to the planned interchanges at 236<sup>th</sup> Street and 276<sup>th</sup> Street. New drinking water supply, sanitary sewers and wastewater treatment are needed in the area to reduce the e-coli pollution, improve the public health and safety in the area, result in a cleaner stream and be more environmentally sound than the situation that exists today.

This project will be a good use of public dollars and will be very beneficial to the area, as this type of infrastructure is very important for future development. It will also serve as an asset to the taxpayers already living in the area to be able to connect to the new systems.

Respectfully,

Robyn Cook  
Jackson Township Trustee





**MILITARY DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA**  
JOINT FORCES HEADQUARTERS  
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
2002 SOUTH HOLT ROAD  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46241-4804



April 7, 2022

SUBJECT: Indiana National Guard Interest in Obtaining Water and Sewer Services

Mr. Mark Heirbrandt  
Hamilton County Commissioner, Distr 3  
Hamilton County Courthouse  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Dear Mr. Heirbrandt:

I am pleased to inform you that our Armory Project on 276<sup>th</sup> Street in Hamilton County is progressing as planned, we approach 60% design. Barring any complications or unforeseen conditions we anticipate completing design and bidding the project during 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2023 with a projected completion date 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2025.

As discussed previously, we still seek the opportunity to partner for municipal services; domestic water and sanitary sewer services. Ideally, the services would be available in-place and ready for use about midway through our project duration (2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2024), this would allow us to load and test plumbing and mechanical systems.

Again, our engineers estimated the following requirements for our armory:

- Water at 1,700gpd/Weekly & 39,000gpd/Weekend
- Fire Flow at 240,000gal= 60,000gal for 4hr duration
- Sewer at 400 DFU Max Drainage & Required building drain at 6" (700 Fixture Units)

We understand both Hamilton County and the Town of Atlanta are analyzing possible solutions of providing municipal services along the US31 corridor and 276<sup>th</sup> Street. Acknowledging any service extended or provided to the Indiana National Guard armory on 276<sup>th</sup> Street could be subject to a formal agreement, outlining terms of use/service and costs associated with; monthly utility consumption/service, connections fees, etc...

If you need additional information, feel free to contact me (317) 910-2631 or [steven.r.hines6.civ@army.mil](mailto:steven.r.hines6.civ@army.mil). We look forward to a mutually beneficial solution.

Sincerely,

Colonel Steven R. Hines  
Constr and Facility Mgt Officer, Indiana National Guard



May 3, 2022

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners  
1 Hamilton County Square  
Suite 157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Dear Board of Commissioners:

Don Clark Farms, Inc and Clark Farms LLC, owners of 243.81 acres located on the east and west sides of Anthony Road in Jackson Township, Hamilton County are requesting our property be included within the Service District territory being considered by the Commissioners. A map illustrating the location of our property is attached.

We are making this request to address potential residential development in the area. We believe it would be environmentally responsible to be served by municipal water and sewer systems rather than individual wells and septic systems.

Sincerely,

*Paula Clark C. O'Donnell*  
*Don Clark Farms, Inc. & LLC*  
*Clark Farms, LLC - President*

### Location Map





June 27, 2022

Dear Hamilton County Board of Commissioners:

Beck's Superior Hybrids, and the Beck family, own land in northern Hamilton County that is located within the boundary of the proposed Hamilton County Regional Utility District. With the planned construction of the Indiana National Guard Armory, we believe the US 31 and 276<sup>th</sup> Street interchange will have many positive developments but cannot proceed due to lack of water and sewer utilities. We believe it would be environmentally sound for the area outlined in red, as attached, to be served by a public water and sewer utility. Since none of the surrounding towns have chosen to service it, this will hinder future generations from living here on all of this area needing service. In the future, it will be the same as if our forefathers had not built roads or provided electrical or telephone service, or today as we need more internet service.

We respectfully request that you include the US 31 and 276<sup>th</sup> Street interchange, and the 276<sup>th</sup> Street corridor from US 31 to Cal Carson Road, to your District territory.

We are fortunate to have county commissioners who had the foresight to go after this once in a lifetime ARPA money which will provide nearly 80% of the cost.

Sincerely,

Sonny Beck

# Exhibit “D”

## HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: MUNICIPAL ADVISORY SERVICES

Hamilton County Commissioners  
1 N 8th St. #157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

RE: Hamilton County Regional Water and Sewer District Preliminary Rate Analysis

Dear Hamilton County Commissioners:

Bondry Management Consultants, LLC ("Bondry") appreciates the opportunity to serve as municipal advisor to the Hamilton County Commissioners ("County") providing services to include a financial feasibility report regarding the Regional Water and Sewer District ("project"). As Indiana's only veteran-and minority-owned municipal advisory firm, in addition to our diverse public and private sector backgrounds, we are proud to leverage our working industry knowledge to provide forward-thinking solutions for the financial, operational, and strategic elements of Hamilton County. The preliminary rate analysis for the proposed Hamilton County Regional Water and Sewer District follows:

The preliminary rate analysis incorporates estimated construction costs and operating costs provided by Wessler Engineering, Inc. It is proposed that the District will construct Sewer infrastructure and purchase water from Indiana American in this analysis to provide water and sewer services to approximately 1,158 users of the system. The analysis currently is taking a conservative approach and assuming all customers will have a residential 5/8" meter. As more is known about the actual meter sizes for the proposed customers the rate analysis will be updated to reflect users having commercial size meters. The total proposed user rates for the District are calculated based on many assumptions including but not limited to the assumption of the number of proposed users of the system, the assumed monthly usage of each of the user, the estimated annual operating costs of the District utilities', proposed purchase water rate from Indiana American, and the estimated construction costs and related interest rate for financing the construction costs. Based on the assumptions included the estimated user rates for 4,000 gallons of water for a residential user is estimated to be \$36.51 per month while the estimated sewer rate for a residential user is estimated to be \$60.55 per month. This will provide residential users in the District with an estimated total water and sewer bill of \$97.06 which is comparable to surrounding communities and economically feasible to end users.

There have been many assumptions made in the preparation of this preliminary rate analysis that are subject to change as the project is bid, financing is secured, project is constructed and developments in this area are constructed and begin to connect to the system. The analysis will be updated for these changes as they occur.

We pledge that our services will be professional, personalized, and responsive. Above all, we attest that our service and recommendations will focus on serving the best interests of the Hamilton County, County Commissioners, and the residents they serve.

Best Regards,



Oscar Gutierrez  
President – Bondry Management Consultants LLC





HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS - SANITARY SEWER

(Per Engineer)

Estimated Construction Costs

Sanitary Collection System Bakers Corner Construction (1)	\$ 9,300,000	\$ 9,328,000
Wastewater Treatment Plant Bakers Corner Construction (1)	9,500,000	9,485,000
Water System Bakers Corner Construction (1)		<u>16,297,000</u>
Total Estimated Construction Costs	<u>\$ 18,800,000</u>	<u>\$ 35,110,000</u>

Estimated Non-Construction Costs

Estimated Non-Construction Costs	<u>\$ 4,600,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,955,000</u>
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Total Estimated Non Construction Costs	<u>\$ 4,600,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,955,000</u>
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Total Estimated Costs	<u>\$ 23,400,000</u>	<u>\$ 43,065,000</u>
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Total Estimated Sewer Bond Issue	\$ 23,400,000	\$ 7,825,500
Total Estimated Water Bond Issue		239,500
TIF Funds		
System Development Fees		
State ARPA - Water		5,000,000
State ARPA - Sewer		5,000,000
Total Estimated ARPA Funds Used	<u>25,000,000</u>	<u>25,000,000</u>

Total Estimated Funding	<u>\$ 48,400,000</u>	<u>\$ 43,065,000</u>
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(1) Based on cost estimates from Wessler report.

## HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

### ESTIMATED REVENUE REQUIREMENT- SANITARY SEWER

Operating Costs (1)	\$	494,000
Debt service (2)	\$	425,500
Debt service reserve (3)	\$	85,100
Replacements and improvements (4)	\$	<u>203,500</u>
Total Annual Revenue Requirements	\$	<u>1,208,100</u>

- (1) Based on annual operating cost estimates prepared by Wessler.
- (2) Assumes bond financing over 30 years at an assumed interest rate of 3.5%.
- (3) Assumes debt service reserve funded over 5 years.
- (4) Based on study prepared by Wessler.

## HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

### ESTIMATED RATE CALCULATION- SANITARY SEWER

	TOTAL	BASE RATE	FLOW RATE
<u>Estimated Operating Costs (1)</u>			
Salaries and wages	\$ 141,400	\$ 70,700	\$ 70,700
Employee benefits	50,000	25,000	25,000
Electricity	108,300	54,150	54,150
Chemicals	41,300	-	41,300
Biosolid disposal	69,700	-	69,700
Lab testing	10,000	5,000	5,000
Insurance	-	-	-
Vehicles	12,000	6,000	6,000
Equipment (backhoe)	10,000	5,000	5,000
Fuel	8,000	4,000	4,000
Operator	-	-	-
Superintendent	-	-	-
Accounting	3,500	1,750	1,750
Supplies	1,500	750	750
Membership and training	4,000	2,000	2,000
Postage, telephone, internet and locates	4,400	2,200	2,200
Maintenance and repairs	20,000	10,000	10,000
Miscellaneous	4,100	2,050	2,050
<b>Total Estimated Operating Costs</b>	<b>\$ 488,200</b>	<b>\$ 188,600</b>	<b>\$ 299,600</b>
Debt service (2)	\$ 425,500	\$ 425,500	\$ -
Debt service reserve (3)	\$ 85,100	\$ 85,100	\$ -
Replacements and improvements (4)	\$ 203,500	\$ 101,750	\$ 101,750
<b>County support payments (5)</b>	<b>\$ (355,100)</b>	<b>\$ (177,550)</b>	<b>\$ (177,550)</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenue Requirements</b>	<b>\$ 847,200</b>	<b>\$ 623,400</b>	<b>\$ 223,800</b>
Total Equivalent Meters		13,896	
Total Estimated Base Charge (Monthly)		\$ 44.86	
Total Estimated Flow			57,264
Total Estimated Flow Charge (Per 1,000 gallons)			\$ 3.91
<b>Total Monthly charge based on 5/8" 4,000 monthly usage</b>			<b>\$ 60.50</b>

(1) Assumes operating costs provided by Wessler.

(2) Assumes bond financing over 30 years at an assumed interest rate of 3.5%.

(3) Assumes debt service reserve funded over 5 years.

(4) To provide for 130% coverage on debt and allowance for ongoing replacements and improvements to the system.

(5) County support payments estimated to achieve affordable rates, subject to allocation and change.





**HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

**ESTIMATED REVENUE REQUIREMENT- WATER**

Operating Costs (1)	\$ 701,143
Debt service (2)	\$ 13,000
Debt service reserve (3)	\$ 2,600
Replacements and improvements (4)	<u>\$ 58,300</u>
Total Annual Revenue Requirements	<u>\$ 775,043</u>

- (1) Based on annual operating cost estimates prepared by Wessler.
- (2) Assumes bond financing over 30 years at an assumed interest rate of 3.5%.
- (3) Assumes debt service reserve funded over 5 years.
- (4) Based on study prepared by Wessler.

## HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

### ESTIMATED RATE CALCULATION- WATER

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>BASE RATE</u>	<u>FLOW RATE</u>
<b><u>Estimated Operating Costs (1)</u></b>			
Salaries and wages	\$ 141,400	\$ 70,700	\$ 70,700
Employee benefits	50,000	25,000	25,000
Electricity	10,953	6,000	4,953
Chemicals	6,191	-	6,191
Purchased water	305,144	-	305,144
Purchased water base charges	14,136	14,136	-
Non revenue water purchased	39,919	-	39,919
Lab testing	10,000	5,000	5,000
Insurance	-	-	-
Vehicles	12,000	6,000	6,000
Equipment (backhoe)	-	-	-
Fuel	8,000	4,000	4,000
Accounting	3,500	1,750	1,750
Supplies	1,500	750	750
Membership and training	4,000	2,000	2,000
Postage, telephone, internet and locates	4,400	2,200	2,200
Maintenance and repairs	80,000	40,000	40,000
Miscellaneous	10,000	5,000	5,000
<b>Total Estimated Operating Costs</b>	<b>\$ 701,143</b>	<b>\$ 182,536</b>	<b>\$ 518,607</b>
Debt service (2)	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,000	\$ -
Debt service reserve (3)	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,600	\$ -
Replacements and improvements (4)	\$ 58,300	\$ 29,150	\$ 29,150
<b>County support payments (5)</b>	<b><u>\$ (256,900)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (128,450)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (128,450)</u></b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenue Requirements</b>	<b><u>\$ 518,143</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 98,836</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 419,307</u></b>
Total Equivalent Meters		<u>13,896</u>	
Total Estimated Base Charge (Monthly)		<u>\$ 7.11</u>	
Total Estimated Flow			<u>57,264</u>
Total Estimated Flow Charge (Per 1,000 gallons)			<u>\$ 7.32</u>
<b>Total Monthly charge based on 5/8" 4,000 monthly usage</b>			<b>\$ 36.39</b>

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(2) Assumes bond financing over 30 years at an assumed interest rate of 3.5%.

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— CONSULTING —

HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

USERS AND USAGE ASSUMPTIONS

236th / U.S. 31 Service Area (Bakers Corner)

	Monthly Usage Per Unit	Monthly Usage (gals)	Annual Usage (gallons)
48 Existing Residential Homes	4,000	192,000	2,304,000
8 Existing Commercial Properties	15,000	120,000	1,440,000
1 Southeast Corner Office Buildings	30,000	30,000	360,000
1 Northwest Office Buildings	30,000	30,000	360,000
300 Pulte Residential Development	4,000	1,200,000	14,400,000
300 Arbor Trees Residential Development	4,000	1,200,000	14,400,000
500 Lennar homes	4,000	2,000,000	24,000,000
<u>1,158</u>	<u>91,000</u>	<u>4,772,000</u>	<u>57,264,000</u>

# Exhibit “E”

## INVOICE



**WZPL-FM**  
**6810 N Shadeland Ave.**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46220**  
**Main: (317) 842-9550**  
**Billing:**

Billing Address:

**Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP**  
**Attention: Keith Robbins**  
**One Indiana Square**  
**Suite 3500**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46204**

Send Payment To:

**WZPL-FM**  
**Cumulus Media- Indianapolis**  
**3666 Momentum Place**  
**Chicago, IL 60689-5336**  
**Billing Inquiries: cmls.ar@cumulus.com**

Property	WZPL-FM		
Invoice #	BB3351153	Order #	929051
Invoice Date	06/30/22	Alt Order #	
Invoice Month	June 2022	Deal #	
Invoice Period	06/01/22 - 06/26/22	Flight Dates	06/14/22 - 06/26/22
Advertiser	Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP		
Product	Hamilton County		
Estimate #			
Account Executive	Kyle Shaw		
Sales Office	Local-Indianapolis IN		
Sales Region	Local		
Agency Code			
Advertiser Code			
Billing Calendar	Calendar		
Billing Type	Cash		
Special Handling			
Agency Ref			
Advertiser Ref			
Product 1			
Product 2			

Line	Start Date	End Date	Description	Start/End Time	MTWTFSS	Length	Spots/ Week	Rate	Type
1	06/14/22	06/26/22	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	22222--	1:00	10	\$65.00	NM
Weeks: <u>Start Date</u> <u>End Date</u> <u>MTWTFSS</u> <u>Spots/Week</u> <u>Rate</u> 06/13/22 06/19/22 -4222-- 10 \$65.00									
Spots: #	Ch	Day	Air Date	Air Time	Description	Start/End Time	Length	Ad-ID	Rate Type
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1	WZPL	Tu	06/14/22	1:13 PM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
2	WZPL	Tu	06/14/22	2:16 PM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
10	WZPL	Tu	06/14/22	6:32 PM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
9	WZPL	W	06/15/22	9:46 AM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
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5	WZPL	Th	06/16/22	11:44 AM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
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7	WZPL	F	06/17/22	12:43 PM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
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16	WZPL	M	06/20/22	5:49 AM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
12	WZPL	Tu	06/21/22	9:48 AM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
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17	WZPL	F	06/24/22	2:45 PM	M-F	5:00 AM-10:00 PM	1:00	HC PSA	\$65.00 NM
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**Chicago, IL 60689-5336**  
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Invoice #	BB3351153	Invoice Month	June 2022
Invoice Date	06/30/22	Invoice Period	06/01/22 - 06/26/22
Advertiser	Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP		
Product	Hamilton County		
Estimate #			

Line	Start Date	End Date	Description	Start/End Time	MTWTFSS	Length	Spots/ Week	Rate	Type
2	06/14/22	06/26/22	Sa-Su	6a-7p	-----22	1:00	4	\$28.75	NM

Spots: #	Ch	Day	Air Date	Air Time	Description	Start/End Time	Length	Ad-ID	Rate	Type
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8	WZPL	Su	06/19/22	1:48 PM	Sa-Su	6a-7p	1:00	HC PSA	\$28.75	NM
6	WZPL	Su	06/19/22	4:16 PM	Sa-Su	6a-7p	1:00	HC PSA	\$28.75	NM
Weeks:	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>MTWTFSS</u>	<u>Spots/Week</u>	<u>Rate</u>					
	06/20/22	06/26/22	-----22	4	\$28.75					

Spots: #	Ch	Day	Air Date	Air Time	Description	Start/End Time	Length	Ad-ID	Rate	Type
16	WZPL	Sa	06/25/22	6:40 AM	Sa-Su	6a-7p	1:00	HC PSA	\$28.75	NM
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Total Spots							28
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**6810 N Shadeland Ave.**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46220**  
**Main: (317) 842-9550**  
**Billing:**

Billing Address:

**Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP**  
**Attention: Keith Robbins**  
**One Indiana Square**  
**Suite 3500**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46204**

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Property	WNTR-FM		
Invoice #	BB3351203	Order #	929057
Invoice Date	06/30/22	Alt Order #	
Invoice Month	June 2022	Deal #	
Invoice Period	06/01/22 - 06/26/22	Flight Dates	06/14/22 - 06/26/22
Advertiser	Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP		
Product	Hamilton County		
Estimate #			
Account Executive	Kyle Shaw		
Sales Office	Local-Indianapolis IN		
Sales Region	Local		
Agency Code			
Advertiser Code			
Billing Calendar	Calendar		
Billing Type	Cash		
Special Handling			
Agency Ref			
Advertiser Ref			
Product 1			
Product 2			

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Product	Hamilton County		
Estimate #			

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Spots: #	Ch	Day	Air Date	Air Time	Description	Start/End Time	Length	Ad-ID	Rate Type
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Weeks:	Start Date	End Date	MTWTFSS	Spots/Week	Rate				
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# Spot Manager: All, 05/23/22-07/17/22

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HC PSA	06/14/22	5:33:41 AM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/26/22	6:44:06 PM	\$28.75	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/25/22	7:22:38 AM	\$28.75	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/25/22	1:46:09 PM	\$28.75	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/15/22	5:32:45 AM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/26/22	3:27:08 PM	\$28.75	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/14/22	6:44:32 AM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/16/22	9:33:39 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/21/22	9:46:54 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/14/22	8:43:05 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/24/22	6:47:15 AM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/23/22	2:32:00 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/17/22	9:28:45 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/24/22	10:44:13 AM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/22/22	8:42:35 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/19/22	11:46:07 AM	\$28.75	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/23/22	5:30:16 AM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/22/22	9:32:30 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/18/22	10:46:33 AM	\$28.75	1:00	[1] WNTR	
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HC PSA	06/15/22	8:34:07 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WNTR	
HC PSA	06/23/22	1:13:46 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WZPL	
HC PSA	06/14/22	2:16:11 PM	\$65.00	1:00	[1] WZPL	
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HC PSA	06/15/22	9:45:54 AM	\$65.00	1:00 [1] WZPL
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HC PSA	06/18/22	6:44:39 AM	\$28.75	1:00 [1] WZPL
HC PSA	06/25/22	6:40:00 AM	\$28.75	1:00 [1] WZPL
HC PSA	06/20/22	5:48:58 AM	\$65.00	1:00 [1] WZPL
HC PSA	06/24/22	11:15:38 AM	\$65.00	1:00 [1] WZPL
HC PSA	06/21/22	1:17:08 PM	\$65.00	1:00 [1] WZPL
HC PSA	06/17/22	2:45:25 PM	\$65.00	1:00 [1] WZPL
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			[Sorted by: Rating]	

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Marion County, Indiana

Federal Id: 06-1032273

**TAFT LAW**

Account #:INI-0000000156

Order #:0005273975

# of Affidavits: 2

Total Amount of Claim:\$1,157.58

**This is not an invoice**

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ATTN Tiffini  
111 E WACKER DR STE 2800  
CHICAGO, IL 60601

**PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

County Of Brown

} **SS.**

Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for said county and state, the undersigned

I, being duly sworn, say that I am a clerk for THE INDIANAPOLIS NEWSPAPERS a DAILY STAR newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the city of INDIANAPOLIS in state and county of Marion, and that the printed matter attached hereto is a true copy, which was duly published in said paper for 4 times.. the publications being in editions dated as follows:

Insertion being in edition(s) dated	05/26/2022
Insertion being in edition(s) dated	05/27/2022
Insertion being in edition(s) dated	06/02/2022
Insertion being in edition(s) dated	06/09/2022
Insertion being in edition(s) dated	06/16/2022

Newspaper has a website and this public notice was posted in the same day as it was published in the newspaper.

Pursuant to the provisions and penalties of Ch. 155, Acts 1953.

I hereby certify that the foregoing account is just and correct, that the amount claimed is legally due, after allowing all just credits, and that no part of the same has been paid.

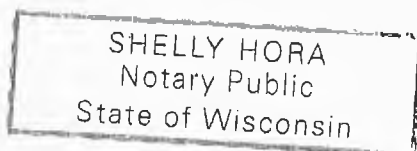
*D. Roberts*

Date: 7-22-2022 Title: Clerk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of July, 2022

*Shelly Hora*  
Notary Public

Notary Expires: 8-25-23



(Governmental Unit)

To INDIANAPOLIS STARCounty Indiana**Indianapolis, IN****PUBLISHER'S CLAIM**

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Acct #: INI-0000000156

Ad #: 0005273975

Charge for proof(s) of publication \$0.00

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## TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM

\$1,157.58

Claim No. \_\_\_\_\_ Warrant No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 IN FAVOR OF  
**The Indianapolis Star**  
 Indianapolis, IN  
 Marion County  
 130 S. Meridian St. Indianapolis, IN 46225

I have examined the within claim and hereby certify as follows:

That it is in proper form.

That it is duly authenticated as required by law.

That it is based upon statutory authority.

That it is apparently (correct)  
 (incorrect)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 On Account of Appropriation For

FED. ID  
 #06-1032273

Allowed \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

In the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the within claim is true and correct; that the services there-in itemized and for which charge is made were ordered by me and were necessary to the public business.

## ☛ TODAY'S VERSE

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.



## ☛ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Quintyn Harrington smile? "Having fun, going to birthday parties, hanging out with people, seeing good things," said the 17-year-old. After finishing his freshman year at Noblesville High School, he moved to Carmel and is a Junior at Carmel High School. Today's feature is a look back at one of The Times' previous Faces of Hamilton County. He was found in summer 2020 working at Forest Park Aquatic Center in Noblesville. "It's my first day of working here at Forest Park pool. It's pretty fun. I've met a lot of people that are pretty fun. It was a good day. It was just for today, I really like it." He might like to be a lifeguard someday. "I have two siblings (Clyde, then 18, and Anna, then 20) that are lifeguards here at the pool." He is the son of Adam and Sherrill Harington. Favorite pastimes? "I really like fishing. It's a big thing for me." Plans for high school? "Getting good grades. My grades, they were alright this year, but I really want to improve them." Plans for the future? "I want to be a firefighter or a police officer." Forest Park Aquatic Center will open for the season on Saturday, with hours noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday and noon to 7 p.m. Monday, Memorial Day, and again the following weekend, June 4 and 5. Starting June 6, weekday hours will also be noon to 7 p.m. Admission is \$6, with memberships and donor-level memberships available. The Aquatic Center, this season for the first time, will offer free sunblock daily just as soon as the shipment of the sunblock arrives. To read more about this season's new amenities, including an LED video board, new football and table tennis and more, read the Betsy Reason column in the Wednesday, May 25, edition of The Times.

## And Another Thing...

Remember Eric J. Holcomb is donating flags in the State of Indiana to be flown at half staff to honor and remember the victims of the horrific tragedy in Uvalde, TX.

Per President Biden's order, flags should be flown at half-staff immediately until sunset on Saturday, May 28. Gov. Holcomb is asking businesses and residents in Indiana to lower their flags.

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Take a Noblesville Schools online community survey and give your feedback about a possible future referendum at [www.nobsurvey.com](http://www.nobsurvey.com) with a deadline of this Friday.

## School Survey Leads to Referendum Questions



BETSY REASON  
The Times Editor

It's the first time since 2015 that Noblesville Schools has gathered comprehensive feedback from the community.

Since the district's community survey launched on April 11, Noblesville Schools has already gathered feedback from many residents. However, there is still time to complete the survey before its deadline, at 11:59 p.m. Friday at [www.nobsurvey.com](http://www.nobsurvey.com). The online survey says it takes about 10 minutes to complete, but I found it took longer especially since responding to some essay questions. The survey measures the district on

academics, leadership, safety, communication, finances and more. Plus, the survey leads into questions about voter support for a referendum.

Here are the questions in the survey:

1. Grades are often given to denote the quality of student work. Thinking about Noblesville Schools and their overall mission of educating Noblesville children for the world of tomorrow, what grade would you assign? A = Significantly exceeds expectations; B = Ex-

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## Noblesville Parks and Rec Announces 2022 Concert at the Commons Schedule



The Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department has announced its 2022 Concert at the Commons schedule. The free concert will take place from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday nights starting in June at Federal Hill Commons. The series, presented by Myers Construction

Management, Inc. is in addition to the previously announced Thursday night Summer Concert Series taking place at Dillon Park.

"Our next show at Federal Hill Commons will be one of our best seasons yet with a variety of music including tributes to the Beatles, Motown, the 80's and other bands from the 1960's and 1970's."

☛ See CONCERT Page A5

## Get Fit with Westfield Welcome and the Westfield YMCA This Summer



Westfield Welcome will continue special programming at Grand Junction Plaza this summer. In partnership with the Westfield YMCA, Workout

Wednesdays is a series of fitness classes taking place at the Plaza.

Workout Wednesdays will be offered each Wednesday beginning June 1 through August 3 in the Westfield Amphitheatre at Grand Junction Plaza (225 S. Union Street) from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. There will be three different types of classes offered through the summer including:

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## Memorial Day Closures Around Hamilton County

With Memorial Day approaching, The Times has compiled a summary of office and school closures around the county.

Hamilton County government offices, including the Judicial Center in downtown Noblesville, as well as many of the extension offices around the county. The Sheriff's office will remain available to respond to emergencies. For questions about any closure exemptions, call the office in question directly. Contact information is available on the county website at <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/847/VisitsUs>.

The City of Noblesville offices will be closed on Memorial Day, as will as Fishers City Hall, Westfield City Hall, Carmel City Hall and Sheridan Town Hall. City emergency services, including Police, Fire and EMT, will still be available.

All Post Offices around the county will also be closed on Memorial Day. Noblesville Schools, Hamilton

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## The Daily Almanac



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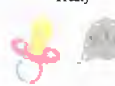
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Today is...  
• Ascension  
• Saily Ride Day  
• World Redhead Day



What Happened  
On This Day  
• 1896 The Dow Jones Industrial Average is first published  
• 1908 Engineers make the first major oil find in the Middle East  
• 1972 The Soviet Union and the United States sign the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty



Births On This Day  
• 1907 John Wayne American actor, singer, director, producer  
• 1926 Miles Davis American trumpet player, composer, bandleader

Deaths On This Day  
• 1976 Martin Heidegger German philosopher  
• 2008 Sydney Pollack American director

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## ☛ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Eating 100 less calories a day will prevent yearly weight gain in most people.  
Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. Ann Rebers. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at [www.thetimes24-7.com](http://www.thetimes24-7.com)



## ☛ HONEST HOOSIER

I still miss Jim Halsey singing Back Home Again, but Jim Corvino does a fine job!



## ☛ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Magic is believing in yourself. If you can make that happen, you can make anything happen."

Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

## ☛ TODAY'S JOKE

The girl entered a sun tanning contest. But she only got bronze!



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## OBITUARIES

### Mary Carol Myers Heywood

August 31, 1935 - April 29, 2022

Mary Carol Myers Heywood passed away unexpectedly on April 29, 2022.

She was born to Chauncey Elihu and Edna Mae (Kenyon) Myers on August 31, 1935.

She proudly grew up in Carmel, Indiana, and spent her childhood riding horses, turning with Percheron draft horses, raising Chester White pigs on her family farm, and participating in 4-H club competitions at county and state fairs. Mrs. Heywood graduated from Carmel Schools in 1953 and attended Earlham College, where she graduated with a degree in biology in 1957. At Earlham, she met her husband, Dave, whom she married on June 22, 1958.

Mrs. Heywood enjoyed recounting fond memories of her childhood in Indiana and through the years most of her adult life living in Washington State, she always felt most at home on the farm in Indiana. Her favorite stories included "being the boys" in a pony race and driving a team of horses as she helped her father around the farm. She enjoyed taking her children and grandchildren for summer visits to "the farm."

Mrs. Heywood and her husband moved to Bellevue, Washington, in 1964 and to Kirkland, Washington, in 1970, where she and Dave raised their children and where Carol remained living in their family home for almost 52 years. She maintained a lifelong connection to horses, riding on trails in nearby Bridle Trails State Park for over 40 years with her children and, later, grandchildren. The Heywoods were also longtime members of **Eastside Friends Meeting**, a Quaker organization in Bellevue, Washington.

Mrs. Heywood was a proficient downhill skier, a sport she learned as an adult, and enjoyed spending weekends skiing at Steven's Pass with her family. She was a skilled teacher and, after retiring from school teaching to raise her children, took up ski instruction at Steven's Pass for many years. She and Dave also traveled widely through Europe and to Australia, New Zealand, Costa Rica, the Galapagos, Kenya, and China. Most recently, she enjoyed returning to Alaska with her extended family.

Her grandchildren were her true joy and they are grateful to have been raised with "Gramma's" devoted care and attention. As a grandmother, Mrs. Heywood instilled in her grandchildren the importance of clear handwriting and excellent grammar in lessons she referred to as "Gramma's Grammar." She especially loved doing puzzles and playing word games with her grandkids. Mrs. Heywood and her husband were also known to be the most dedicated fans of their grandchildren's wide array of sport competitions and musical performances. In recent years, she developed a passion for Gonzaga University basketball while two of her grandchildren attended the school.

Mrs. Heywood was the keeper of the family history, recording and remembering all birthdays, on both sides of the family. She was assisted by her family and friends, particularly for her wisdom, countless stories, and many talents as a gardener, seamstress, and baker, as well as her loving devotion to her family.

Survivors include her brother Alan (Barbara) Myers; her three children, son Steve (Carolyn) and Alan (Marianne) and daughter Mary Anne (Lee) Stundeford; and eight grandchildren (Joan, Julia, Paul (Cory), Joanna, Louise, Anne Marie, Kierlee and Krista).

She was predeceased by her husband, David ("Dave") Heywood (1933-2017), and sister Alice Myers DeBlase.

Two memorial services are scheduled to be held. The first service is scheduled to begin with a visitation from 1 to 3 p.m., followed by the service at 3 p.m., on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at Gray Friends Church, 4810 E 146th Street, in Noblesville, Indiana. The second service is scheduled to be held at 12 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, at Eastside Friends Meeting, 4160 158th Ave SE, in Bellevue, Washington.

Remembrances can be made to Eastside Friends Meeting, Bellevue, WA (quakercloud.org/cloud/eastside-friends-meeting); Bridle Trails Park Foundation, Kirkland, WA (bridletrails.org); or Gray Friends Church, Noblesville, IN (grayfriends.org)

Online condolences may be made at [www.randallrob-erts.com](http://www.randallrob-erts.com).

### Lonnie Lee Compton

September 5, 1948 - May 21, 2022

Lonnie Lee Compton, 73, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville.

He was born on September 5, 1948 to the late Garland and Lela (Goody) Compton in Noblesville, Indiana.

Mr. Compton proudly served his country in the United States Army, serving 2 tours in Vietnam in the Big Red 1, 101st Airborne. He was awarded several Purple Hearts. He worked in Acquisitions at Fort Benjamin Harrison. Mr. Compton was an avid motorcycle rider and Abate instructor. He enjoyed fishing and camping, and was known for his "Lonnie-style" campfires.

Survivors include his companion Becky Singleton and her family; two brothers Chuck (Pat) Compton and Mark Compton; as well as his niece and two nephews, Jason, Kenneth and Candace.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services scheduled to begin at 1 p.m., on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville. The Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate. Inurnment will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675 ([www.supportwoundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.supportwoundedwarriorproject.org)).

Online condolences may be made at [www.randallrob-erts.com](http://www.randallrob-erts.com).

Thanks for reading The Times!

### Elizabeth (Betty) Rose Cottingham

May 9, 1916 - April 30, 2022

Elizabeth (Betty) Rose Cottingham, 105, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, April 30, 2022 at River-view Health in Noblesville.

She was born on May 9, 1916 in Detroit, Michigan, the only child of Richard McDonald Burton and Rose (Baum) Burton.

Mrs. Cottingham worked in the trust department for Manufacturers National Bank, Colonial Trust Office in Birmingham, Michigan. She was a member of the Twelve Oaks Chapter of the American Business Women's Association of Royal Oak, Michigan and was awarded the Business Woman of the Year in 1980. In Englandwood, Florida, she was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for her valuable contribution to FISH of Englandwood, Florida. Mrs. Cottingham was a member of Trinity United Presbyterian Church in Venice, Florida. She enjoyed knitting and traveling, and loved playing bridge and doing crossword puzzles. In her earlier years, she enjoyed dancing and golfing.

Survivors include her daughter Nancy Elizabeth Kinzie; three grandchildren Lisa Patricia Baldwin, Jodi Lynn (Christian) Albert and Brian Douglas (Mariella) Kinzie; three great-grandchildren Christian Douglas Carlyle Albert, Vivienne Elizabeth Kinzie Albert and Bianca Elizabeth Kinzie; stepson Joel (Bobb) Cottingham; three step-grandchildren Tammy (Michael) Terres, Michael (Trisha) Cottingham and Jason (Adrienne) Cottingham; and seven step-great-grandchildren, Lauren, Ryan, Julian, Andréa, Landyn, Grant and Sydney.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband John H. Baldwin, second husband Albert W. Cottingham; son John H. Baldwin II; and granddaughter Jennifer Leslie Baldwin Martin.

Funeral services are scheduled to be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 28, 2022 at the Rosa Parks Chapel, Woodlawn Cemetery, in Detroit, Michigan.

Please consider sending a donation to St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 444 South Harbour Drive, Noblesville, IN 46062; or your favorite charity that supports the Ukrainian people.

Online condolences may be made at [www.randallrob-erts.com](http://www.randallrob-erts.com).

### Ruth Ann Hollingsworth

February 11, 1934 - May 20, 2022

Mrs. Ruth Ann Hollingsworth, 88, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 20, 2022, in Lakeland, Florida.

She was born in Lebanon, IN on February 11, 1934, a daughter of the late Charles Glenn Peabody and Mildred R. (Eck) Peabody.

Mrs. Hollingsworth was united in marriage to Jim Hollingsworth on June 12, 1953 at the Old Union Church, rural Jamestown, IN. They celebrated sixty loving years together before his passing on June 21, 2013.

Raised in Boone County, she was a graduate of Pinell High School, class of 1952. She had performed secretarial duties at various businesses in and around Boone County. She had owned and operated Hollingsworth's Trading Post in Elizaville, Indiana, was an Avon lady in Boone County for more than ten years and worked at Biddle Screw Products in Sheridan and Indiana Mills and Manufacturing in Westfield before retiring in 1998. Mrs. Hollingsworth and her husband also worked part-time at Myers Mortuary before moving full time to Florida.

She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star in Sheridan and served as Grand Ruth for the Indiana Grand Chapter. The Hollingsworths also enjoyed square dancing and were members of the Happy Hoppers in Boone County. Mrs. Hollingsworth was named Mrs. Personality (Congeniality) in the 1971 Mrs. Boone County Pageant.

Survivors include her three sons Vince (Sharon) of Lebanon, Victor of Lakeland Florida and Vance of Woodland, Texas; five grandchildren Steven Hollingsworth, Tyler Hollingsworth, Alexandra Hollingsworth, Gabrielle Hollingsworth and Caleb Hollingsworth; one great grandchild Kamila Wolak; two sisters-in-law Bee Peabody and Madelyn Peabody, both of Lebanon; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two grandchildren Kristin Wollak and Kreigh Hollingsworth; four brothers John L. Peabody, Harold E. Peabody, David Peabody and Glenn Robert; and a sister, Dorothy Jean Meenach.

Funeral services are planned for 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 28, 2022, at Myers Mortuary, 1502 North Lebanon Street, Lebanon, Indiana. Visitation is scheduled to be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday May 27 at the funeral home with Eastern Star rites scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Interment will follow services at Old Union Cemetery in Jamestown, Indiana.

Memorials may be directed in Ruth Ann's memory to Old Union Church or Gideon's, Boone County Chapter. Online condolences may be made at [www.myersmortuary.com](http://www.myersmortuary.com).

### Meeting Notice

#### Hamilton County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Local Emergency

Planning Committee will meet at 9:30 a.m. on May 26, 2022, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of Local Emergency Planning projects.

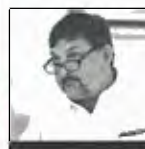
### Meeting Notice

#### Hamilton County Emergency Management Advisory Council

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Emergency

Management Advisory Council will meet at 9 a.m. on May 26, 2022 at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of Emergency Management projects.

## What Kind of World? Fill in the Blank



**TIM TIMMONS**  
Sagamore News Media CEO

We live in a (fill in the blank) world today. Sure, I can give you some options, but I'll bet you've already come up with several of your own... some of which might even be suitable for a family newspaper.

One slightly weird thing that may (or may not) surprise the eight or nine of you who regularly follow these ramblings... in the late '60s, I was a big fan of heavy metal groups like Steppenwolf, Iron Butterfly, Black Sabbath and the like. A decade later I had long hair and thought I would play tennis for a living.

How things change. Today, what little hair I have left keeps falling out and the last time I was on a tennis court I think Ronald Reagan was telling Gorbachev where he could place that wall.

I digress.

Everyone seems to rely on the Internet today, but that's a place where nothing is simple and certainly not all is accurate. Even things you would think are no-brainers. Do a search on how many sexes there are and you jumps a whole lot more options than you might think.

It's a (fill in the blank) world.

Back to the eight or nine regulars, you know that I don't wear my religion on my sleeve in these weekly missives. I believe strongly and am not ashamed or embarrassed to say so. My wife was raised Lutheran and I went to grade school at Our Lady of Grace - even graduated, which I think was a pleasant surprise to Fr. Graham. Today, I still go to mass and we "attend" weekly services on the Internet watching Pastor Allen Jackson - no, not the country singer.

Recently, he has been talking about the world and the path we're on. I won't do him the disservice of trying to tell you

what I think he said, but it resonated with me.

In short, we have been trained over the years to not discuss two things in polite company, religion and politics. Well, ever since Donald Trump came on the scene (and even before), we threw away the concept of not talking politics. But we still don't go much for religion.

Why? Look, this isn't a column recruiting you to my beliefs, nor any others. Not at all. At the end of the day, we're all going to be responsible for our life choices. If you are an atheist and you turn out to be right, then I'm wrong. If God is indeed up there like I think, then I'll be held accountable for all my decisions, some of which I'm not looking forward to explaining.

We each make our choices. We each live with the outcome.

But for the first 50 or 60 years of my life, it seems like what we all believed wasn't as diverse and peculiar (sorry, that was the politest term I could think of) as some of the stuff going around today. What was equalized within a decade or three ago would pass as vanilla today.

My point?

I don't know, maybe I'm just getting old. Maybe I'm turning into the old man who yells at kids to get off his lawn. But I truly believe that something has to give. I truly believe it has to start at home with moms and dads. It's not up to schools or governments or companies. Values, morals, ethics, beliefs come from the heart or perhaps a church. They certainly shouldn't come from the ballot box or the blackboard.

I'll end with this. The changes in our world, our society, are happening so fast that if we as individuals and families don't step up and do something about it soon, remember that part about what was considered extreme? What do you think that'll look like in five years?

*Timmons is the chief executive officer of Sagamore News Media, the company that owns The Noblesville Times. He is a proud Noblesville High School graduate and can be contacted at [timmons@thetimes24-7.com](mailto:timmons@thetimes24-7.com).*

### Meeting Notice

#### Hamilton County Council Highway Committee

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Highway Committee

will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at the Hamilton County Highway Department, 1700 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of highway projects.

### Meeting Notice

#### Hamilton County Council Finance Committee

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Finance Committee

will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at Big Woods Hazel Dell, 14741 Hazel Dell Xing, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of county finances.

**Noblesville Lions Pork Chop & Chicken Dinner**  
Where: Noblesville Square, under the big tent  
When: Friday, June 3rd from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
How much: Adults - \$10 (with ticket) or \$12 at the door; kids - \$5

**Pancake Breakfast and Duck Race Hot Dogs**  
Where: Under the big tent (breakfast) and Logan Street Bridge (Hot Dogs)  
When: Saturday, June 4th, 7 - 11 a.m.; 12 - 3 p.m.  
How much: Breakfast: \$5 per person; Hot Dogs: \$3 per person

Contact any Lions Member to pre-purchase tickets

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## Special Abilities



**RICK QUINN**  
Column Summary

I've always been jealous of people who discover their talents early.

There was this kid in my middle school class named Karen. She drew still nature scenes better than anybody.

Any time the school needed pictures of flowers, vegetables, baked goods - or even background scenery for school plays - they called on Karen.

Sadly, she left school because the family moved back to their home state. We often asked ourselves: Why did she have to leave? Did she branch out into other types of art?

Then, there was the big question: If she specialized in painting bread only, could she make a lot of dough?

A guy named Charlie could swallow air, then burp for up to 45 seconds (we timed him). He saved his most spectacular outbursts for the cavernous auditorium. The sound echoed throughout the seats, and students broke into applause.

Charlie even bet several people that he could recite the alphabet in one burp. He mostly won, but occasionally ran out of gas at "w."

Dan - who moved out

of town in fifth grade - brought his pet parakeet Gertrude to show-and-tell. He asked the bird questions, and Gertrude replied with short answers.

Dan even entered her in the talent show, which Gertrude won by singing "Surfer Bird." But during that performance, a teacher noticed that the bird's mouth never moved.

It turned out the real Gertrude had flown away, and this bird was a silent imposter. Dan spent so much time training the parakeet, he became a first-rate ventriloquist.

The judges disqualified the bird imposter for singing. But, they awarded Dan a special recognition for Fowl Sounds.

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## Aspire Announces New Chief Culture Officer



Dr. Gina Forrest



Dr. Gina Forrest has joined Aspire Indiana Health in its new position of Chief Culture Officer (CCO), where she will oversee building the nonprofit healthcare provider's standing as an inclusive and welcoming organization to its employees and the people and communities it serves. Forrest is a veteran ed-

ucator, trainer, researcher and thought leader who has been focusing on inclusivity issues for many years. She previously served as Chief Diversity Officer of the Indiana Supreme Court, Lecturer and Director of Workforce Development and Community Engagement at Indiana University and Executive Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at Butler University. She also has experience as a clinic manager and health educator.

"My role aligns with the mission, vision and values of Aspire because it is all about people, health, wellbeing, transformation and innovation. As the CCO, I will be able to ensure we are supporting our staff who are supporting our clients who live in our communities," Forrest said.

"I see my job as being able to 'touch' everyone in the organization. My role is to focus on our culture - our shared

language, our norms, our values."

Her duties also include supervising Aspire's human resources, training and marketing departments. Forrest has a bachelor's degree in general studies, a master's in public health and a doctorate in philosophy, all from Indiana University.

Aspire President & CEO Barbara Scott and the board of directors have led a transformation of the company's approach to diversity, equity and inclusion issues as societal awareness of systemic racism has risen in recent years. Leaders from every level have undergone bias awareness and other training, formed cultural education committees and set personal goals to work to make Aspire a place of welcoming and belonging.

"We are so excited to have someone with Dr. Gina Forrest's credentials joining our team," Scott said. "Hiring her for the

new position of Chief Culture Officer represents neither the beginning or the ending of our DEI efforts, but an important waypoint in the ongoing journey to make Aspire an inclusive workplace that serves all with dignity and cultural awareness."

Aspire Indiana Health is a fully integrated nonprofit health system serving central Indiana that addresses behavioral health, primary medical care, substance use disorders, infectious diseases, deaf services, veteran programs, abused/neglected children and social drivers of health such as housing and employment. Aspire is supported by a strong network of community organizations, state/federal entities and generous benefactors. Those interested in partnering with Aspire in making health and well-being a reality in central Indiana are encouraged to contact us at [info@aspireindiana.org](mailto:info@aspireindiana.org).

## Olivet Nazarene University Announces Dean's List for the Spring 2022 Semester



Olivet Nazarene University announced its Dean's List yesterday, and six former Hamilton County students were named. To qualify for inclusion on the Dean's List, a student must have been enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

• Lytle Beam of Westfield  
• Kyle Byers of Carmel  
• Connor Harrison of Fishers  
• Hannah Taggart of Indianapolis  
• Payton Tindal of

Noblesville  
• Mykenna Tougate of Fishers

Olivet Nazarene University is an accredited Christian, liberal arts university offering more than 140 areas of undergraduate and graduate study, including the Doctor of Education in ethical leadership. Olivet's 275-acre park-like main campus is in Bourbonnais, Illinois, 45 miles south of Chicago. Additionally, Olivet offers online graduate and continuing studies programs with offices and meeting spaces throughout Chicago and the Midwest. From Oxford to Tokyo, hundreds of Olivet students also experience the global classroom each year through study abroad opportunities, internships and worldwide mission trips.

## Hamilton County Students Named to Trine University President's, Dean's Lists in Doves



Trine University students yesterday were named to the Dean's and President's Lists for the Spring 2022 term, and former Hamilton County students dominated appeared in doves on both lists. To earn President's List honors, students must complete a minimum of 12 hours and have a grade point average of 3.750-4.000.

• Nathaniel Brooks of Carmel  
• Daphne Bush of Fishers  
• Jessica Carroll of Fishers  
• Andrew Dixon of Fishers  
• Grace Dubec of Fishers  
• Michaela Eells of Westfield  
• Kyle Kirtley of Noblesville  
• Isaac Krueger of

Fishers  
• Jamie Le of Carmel  
• Darren Lloyd of Carmel  
• Grace Moyer of Sheridan  
• Nikolas Pensyl of Westfield  
• Corey Phillips of Westfield  
• Gary Rice of Noblesville  
• Konner Schieman of Fortville  
• Mekhi Simmons of Carmel  
• William Slover of Carmel  
• Brooklyn Sosinsky of Carmel  
• Ashley Spiridon of Fishers  
• Kayla Stoeffel of Fishers  
• C. Collin Stonebraker of Indianapolis  
• Ashley Swartout of Westfield  
• Justin White of

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

• Brett Baker of Noblesville  
• Brian Beerbower of Fishers  
• Nathan Goossen of Indianapolis  
• Austin Hensley of Noblesville  
• Kelsie Kimbrough of Indianapolis  
• Luke Kimmel of Noblesville  
• Price Knowles of Arcadia  
• Valerie Obeor of Fishers  
• Mitchell Ratekin of Carmel  
Trine University, an internationally recognized, private, co-educational, residential institution, offers associate's, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in the Allen School of Engineering & Computing, Ketter School of Business, College of Graduate and Professional Studies, College of Health Professions, Jannsen School of Education, Jannsen School of Arts & Sciences and Rinker-Ross School of Health Sciences. Trine is a member of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association and offers 37 intercollegiate sports, 27 of which compete in NCAA Division III. Its golf program includes the university-owned 18-hole championship Zollner Golf Course. Founded in 1884 and accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools ([www.ncahigheredlearningcommission.org](http://www.ncahigheredlearningcommission.org)), Trine operates a 450-acre main campus in Angola, Indiana, and the College of Health Professions in Fort Wayne, with education centers in Detroit, Michigan, and Phoenix, Arizona, and programs available worldwide through TrineOnline.

### Letters

## Reader: It's the Drugs, Not Guns

Dear Editor,

Another mass shooting happened. This time, in Uvalde, Texas. The mainstream media and some politicians are blaming guns. But drugs are the problem - not guns.

In 1975, my grandfather was murdered by a man who took FDA approved anti-depressant drugs. I was the only grandchild who saw and smelled the bloody scene of my grandfather's death. So, I know the pain that such shootings cause.

Semi-automatic rifles and pistols have existed since at least World War Two. But I don't remember any mass shootings until the Columbine school shooting in 1995. Now, such events happen more frequently. Why? The FDA approved anti-depressant drugs that induce homicidal and suicidal thoughts.

The news media is not

mentioning this in stories of these shootings because the drug making companies spend so much money on advertising in the media. The media ignore the fact that drugs are causing some people to become very dangerous. A few years ago, I read about a woman who took FDA approved anti-depressant drugs and then drowned her children in a bathtub. It is the drugs that are causing the problem. The FDA is responsible for unleashing dangerous anti-depressant drugs into our society. The FDA and the drug manufacturers should be investigated and stopped from allowing drug companies to profit from those drugs. The FDA and the drug making companies should be held financially responsible for these mass shooting deaths.

Woodrow Wilcox  
Dyer, Indiana

## Hamilton County Students Complete Degrees at Trine

17 former Hamilton County students were among those Trine University students who completed their degrees at the end of the Spring 2022 semester. They are:

• Jessica Carroll of Fishers  
• Lauren Connerton of Noblesville  
• Michaela Eells of Westfield  
• Jackson Haug of Indianapolis  
• Alexander Dyer of Indianapolis  
• Sushanth Kalleem of Fishers  
• Kelsie Kimbrough of Indianapolis  
• Luke Kimmel of Noblesville  
• Sophia Krag of Carmel  
• Grace Lockwood of Noblesville  
• Grace Moyer of Sheridan  
• Valerie Obeor of Fishers  
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## Senator Young Issues Statement on Biden Nomination of Indiana Judge to Federal Appeals Court



Senator Todd Young

Senator Todd Young issued the following statement regarding President Joe Biden's announcement that he is nominating U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Southern District of Indiana Doris L. Pryor to the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals: "Judge Pryor is a public servant of the highest caliber. Her legal experience and expertise would make her an asset to the Seventh Circuit. I

look forward to introducing Judge Pryor to my colleagues and supporting her nomination once it comes to the Senate floor."

The Federal District Court for the Southern District of Indiana is split into four Divisions: Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Evansville and New Albany. Both Hamilton and Marion Counties fall within the Southern District's jurisdiction.

### Meeting Notes

#### Noblesville Schools Board of School Trustees Special Session

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Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 6 p.m.  
Educational Services Center Board Room  
18025 River Road,  
Noblesville, Indiana

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

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Reports
- A. Superintendent Contract Presentation
- J. Andrew Manna - Church, Church, Hittle &

Antim  
5. Public Comment  
The board provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the board with current meeting agenda items only, pursuant to Policy 0167.3 Public Participation at Board Meeting & Adjournment  
A. The school board president asks for a motion to adjourn.

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# BBB Scam Alert: Spotting a Phony Discount When Buying CBD Online



Cannabidiol (CBD), an active ingredient of cannabis, is now legal in many US states. BBB warns consumers to do their research before purchasing these products. BBB Scam Tracker received dozens of reports from frustrated consumers who thought they bought discounted CBD online but ended up with hundreds of dollars in credit card charges. How the scam works: You see an ad for CBD on social media or in an online search. A company is offering new customers a significant discount on CBD gummies. For example, one common scam offers a buy-one-

get-one free deal. Unfortunately, if you order the discounted gummies, the scammers now have your credit card number. Victims report being charged for extra products or an on-going monthly subscription to which they never agreed. One Indianapolis person reported losing more than \$130 after attempting to purchase CBD gummies from a fake website. Other victims experienced being charged random amounts for products they never received.

Once scammers have your credit card information, canceling is not easy! Consumers report that scammers used numerous excuses to avoid issuing refunds. They claimed everything from trouble with the computer system to it being outside the cancellation window. Many victims also told BBB Scam Tracker that the charges continued even after they cancelled their subscription.

Tips for avoiding this scam:

• Research the company online. See what other people are saying about the company's free trials. Complaints from other customers can tip you off to "catches" that might come with the trial. Check the business's BBB Rating and see if there are any alerts.

• Understand what happens after the free trial ends. Always read the terms of the offer before signing up. Numerous victims of the CBD scam reported not seeing the terms and conditions. This is a huge red flag. If you can't find them or can't understand what you're agreeing to, don't sign up.

• Be skeptical of celebrity endorsements. Risky being swayed by the use of a well-known name. Scammers often fake celebrity endorsements.

• Report losses to credit card companies. If you pay with a credit card, you can dispute fraudulent charges. Keep an eye on your monthly statements and notify your credit card company of any suspicious charges.

For more information:

Read BBB's special report on free trial offer scams. Learn more about scams on social media advertising.

Stay one step ahead of scammers by subscribing to BBB's weekly Scam Alert emails.

If you've been a victim of free trial offer scam, please report your experience at BBB.org/ScamTracker. By doing so you can help others to avoid falling prey to scammers.

The Better Business Bureau has empowered people to find businesses, brands and charities they can trust for over 110 years. In 2021, people turned to BBB more than 200 million times for BBB Business Profiles on 8.3 million businesses and Charity Reports on 25,000 charities, free at BBB.org. Local, independent BBBs can be found across the United States, Canada, and Mexico, including BBB Serving Central Indiana, which was founded in 1916 and serves 46 counties.

## Meeting Notice

### Noblesville Council Wastewater Committee

The Council Wastewater Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, June 6, 2022 at 1 p.m. has been changed to 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Utility Administration conference room at 197 Washington Street.

## Meeting Notice

### Hamilton County Commissioners

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Ind. Code § 13-26-2.5(a) that the Hamilton County Commissioners shall convene a public meeting to discuss and receive comments regarding the establishment of the Hamilton County Regional Utility District ("Regional Utility District"). The meeting shall be held on June 27, 2022 at 7 p.m. in the Commissioners Court Room in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 N. 9th St., Noblesville, IN 46060. The plans for the Regional Utility District and boundaries are available for review at the Hamilton County Commissioners Office and on the Hamilton County website: www.hamiltoncountygov.in.gov.

Each freholder within the proposed district shall receive notice via first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the mailing address on the tax roll of Hamilton County.

## Meeting Notes

### Noblesville Schools Board of School Trustees Special Session 2

Meeting Agenda Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 6:15 p.m. Educational Services Center Board Room 18025 River Road, Noblesville, Indiana

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

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Comment

The board provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the board with current meeting agenda items only, pursuant to Policy 0167.3 Public Participation at Board Meeting.

5. Consent

By single motion, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions which reflect application of Board Policy and Indiana Code. Any items marked

"Consent" may be moved from the list at the option of a board member or the superintendent and acted on separately.

- A. Donations
  - B. Overnight Trips
  - C. Personnel
6. Action
- By individual motions, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions which reflect application of Board Policy and Indiana Code.
- A. Purchasing Agent
  - B. Approval of Contracts
7. Policy Consideration
- A. Policy 3170, Substance Abuse (classified staff)
  - B. Policy 3217, Possession of Firearms and Weapons by Certified Staff
  - C. Policy 4170, Substance Abuse (certified staff)
  - D. Policy 4217, Possession of Firearms and Weapons by Classified Staff
  - E. Policy 6330, Approval of Contracts
8. Adjournment
- A. The school board president asks for a motion to adjourn.

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ceeds expectations; C=Meets expectations; D=Meets few expectations; and F=Fail to meet expectations.

2. Using the same grading system, please grade Noblesville Schools on each of the following:

- Caring for kids
- School leadership (principals, assistant principals, counselors)
- Responsiveness to student needs
- Instructional techniques
- Responsiveness to parents/community
- Safety
- Providing engaging learning opportunities
- Innovation
- Addressing mental health issues
- District leadership (superintendent, school board)

3. The online form also asks the community to write in feedback with opinion.

4. Evaluate Noblesville Schools on the following, rating each item on a scale of Excellent to Poor:

- Maintaining appropriate class sizes
- Keeping taxes affordable
- Spending tax dollars effectively
- Providing services for our students
- Providing opportunities for extracurricular activities
- Staying current with integrating technology
- Ensuring students and staff from all walks of life feel welcome, respected and supported (race, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, special needs)
- Providing safe transportation services to and from school

5. Please read the following statements and rate each on a scale of 5 to 1 where 5=Strongly agree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 1=Strongly disagree.

- I'm willing to continue to support Noblesville Schools financially through taxes to make sure the quality of our district remains consistent with other area school districts and competitive nationally.
- It's very important that teachers are paid competitively so we don't lose them to other higher paying districts.
- Supporting public schools is essential to protect the investment we've made in our homes.
- People move into Noblesville because of the reputation of our schools.
- I can't afford to continue to support Noblesville Schools financially through referendum taxes, no matter how good the cause.
- Noblesville Schools provides the same or better quality education as other Hamilton County school districts.
- State standardized testing scores and school rankings are an important part of my evaluation of a school's quality.
- It is important to maintain state funding for public schools.
- Noblesville Schools has created a learning culture that is beyond what other Hamilton County school districts are doing.
- Noblesville Schools is one of the best school districts in the state of Indiana.
- It is important to ensure students and staff from all walks of life feel welcome, respected and supported (race, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, special needs).
- We get excellent value for a Noblesville Schools' education relative to the taxes we pay for our school district.
- The success of Noblesville Schools directly impacts economic development, job creation, property values and quality of life in Noblesville.
- Noblesville Schools is now better equipped to address mental health issues today than it was prior to the 2018 school shooting.
- Noblesville Schools are safer now than they were prior to the 2018 school shooting
- Let's assume No-

6. Indiana funds private and charter schools more generously than most other states, which can put state funding for public schools at risk. How concerned are you about the impact state funding of private and charter schools has on public schools? Response choices: Extremely concerned, very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, not at all concerned.

7. The next question, there are two options: Option A: School districts' educational priority should be in focus on real world learning to set up students for success in whatever path they choose. Option B: School districts' educational priority should be to teach to the standardized test to set up students for success on those tests and improve school rankings.

8. Where are you most likely to get your school information? Select your first choice: Noblesville Schools website, from district employee, social media, HCTV online, from students, local print publications, meetings, emails from school/school district, school electronic newsletter, word of mouth, other.

9. The next few questions are about a potential referendum vote followed by questions to determine how representative this survey is to the Noblesville community. A referendum covers the shortfall of state funding by providing additional funds to schools and is voted on by the community. Noblesville School's current operating referendum is set to expire in the next few years.

- If you were to vote today, would you support continuing the operating referendum at its current tax rate?
- What if Noblesville School's proposed an operating referendum at a tax rate lower than the current one? Would you support continuing the operating referendum at a lower tax rate?
- Let's assume No-

Noblesville has a variety of needs, but not enough money to meet all of its needs. Would you support a referendum, and vote yes, if funding was needed? Support a referendum to provide academic programming for STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), arts, literacy? Support a referendum to maintain safety and security? Support a referendum to provide professional development for our teachers? Support a referendum to keep technology up-to-date? Support a referendum to provide facilities to meet future growth? Support a referendum to provide safe bus service to and from school? Support a referendum to pay our teachers a competitive salary? Support a referendum to provide extracurricular opportunities for sports, performing arts and clubs? Support a referendum to maintain appropriate class sizes?

10. Are you currently registered to vote in the Noblesville School District?

11. How likely are you to vote in the 2022 elections, considering the items on the ballots would include a statewide primary, general election and school board elections?

12. Do you have any children under the age of 18? What schools are your children attending? How likely are you to continue to enroll your child or grandchildren in Noblesville schools? The questionnaire also asks your age range, gender, last grade of school completed, if you're employed by the district and how long you've lived in your home in Noblesville. So if you're a parent of a Noblesville Schools student, that is your opportunity to give feedback. Be honest. Share your opinion. That also ask yourself what you think about a possible referendum.

Contact Betty Reinson at [betty@thetimes247.com](mailto:betty@thetimes247.com)

## CLOSURES

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Southeastern Schools, Sheridan Community Schools, Guerin Catholic High School and University High School will all be closed for Memorial Day, Hamilton Heights, Carmel Clay Schools and Westfield Washington Schools will all finish classes prior to Memorial Day.

All Hamilton County Library locations, including both East branches and both North Branches, along with Carmel Clay Public Library, will be closed for Memorial Day. All Hamilton County BMV locations will also be closed on Memorial Day.

## GET FIT

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Welcome's website at [westfieldwelcome.com/gym-programming](http://westfieldwelcome.com/gym-programming) Workout Class Schedule:

- June 1 - HIIT
- June 8 - Flow
- June 15 - Cardio
- June 22 - Flow
- June 29 - Cardio
- July 6 - HIIT
- July 13 - Flow
- July 20 - Cardio
- July 27 - Flow
- August 3 - HIIT

Public parking for the event is available in the gravel lot directly east of Grand Junction Plaza, in the parking lot at the southwest corner of Poplar Street and Park Street and in designated on-street spots. A parking map can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/2p9a5ch>

Westfield Welcome focuses on community engagement and hospitality for residents, businesses and visitors. As a department of the City of Westfield, Westfield Welcome hosts more than 25 annual events and provides hundreds of volunteer opportunities each year.

Our team continues to look for ways to engage with the community through different programming at Grand Junction Plaza. When we asked for feedback through a survey earlier this year, fitness offerings continued to be a program that people were interested in. We are excited to partner with the Westfield Y to provide these classes free of charge," said Kayla Arnold, Director of Westfield Welcome.

Additional information can be found on Westfield

## CONCERT

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the country," said Noblesville Parks Director Brandon Bennett. "We are excited to continue our free shows this year to give the community more opportunities to enjoy Federal Hill Concerts throughout the summer." Federal Hill Concerts will host eight free concerts between June 11 and September 24, where attendees of all ages are invited to bring chairs and blankets to enjoy a concert in the park. This year's lineup includes:

- June 11 - Southern Accents (Tom Perry)
- June 25 - REO Speedwagon (REO Speedwagon)
- July 9 - 16 Candles

(80's Tribute)

- July 23 - BritBeat (Beatles)
- August 13 - Minor City Revue (Motown Tribute)
- August 27 - Nighttrain (Guns N' Roses Tribute)
- September 10 - The Eagles Project (Eagles Tribute)
- September 24 - Trip-Tip Billies (Dave Matthews Band Tribute)

Trolley service will be provided free of cost from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. during the Concerts at the Commons Series. The trolley will make a continuous loop around downtown Noblesville collecting passengers.

In addition to presenting sponsor Myers Construction Management, Inc., the city would like to thank fellow Federal Hill Commons sponsors: McGraw Outdoor Power, Indiana American Water, BI's Wholesale Club, Colt Moving, Hamilton County Tourism, Chris Jensen for Noblesville, Context Design, Duke Energy, Godby Discount Furniture and Mattress, Logan Street Signs and Banners, HSE Utilities, Inc., Old Town Companies, WSP, Tri Kappa, Matco's Ristorante Italiano, and Hooters Suites. Those interested in becoming a sponsor and supporting the series may

contact Kristi Speller at (317) 776-6350 or [kspeller@noblesville.in.us](mailto:kspeller@noblesville.in.us). For more information, visit [www.noblesvilleparks.org](http://www.noblesvilleparks.org).

The Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department manages over 876 acres of parkland in the City of Noblesville, including seven developed parks, 109 acres of undeveloped properties and 127 miles of trails, connector sidewalks and greenways throughout the community, in addition to two golf courses and the Noblesville Soccer Fields. For more information, visit [www.noblesvilleparks.org](http://www.noblesvilleparks.org).

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## Did You Know?

- Jackson County was founded in 1816 and named after General Andrew Jackson.
- Brownstown, the county seat, has a total population of 2,947 residents.
- The county has the second longest 3-span covered bridge in the world; The Medora Covered Bridge.
- The largest city in the county, Seymour, is 12.1 square miles and has 17,503 residents.
- The county is 513.91 square miles and has a population of 42,376 residents.

## Got Words?

Every year the Pepsi Plunge, a competitive swim event, takes place at the Shield's Park Pool in Seymour. The event attracts thousands of competitive swimmers. How do you think events such as the Pepsi Plunge impact small communities?

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Jackson

## Number Stumpers

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1. What percentage of people live in Seymour?  
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2. How old is Jackson County?  
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3. How many more people live in Seymour than Brownston?  
≥
4. What is the population density of the county?  
≤

Answers: 1. About 11% of 2023  
2. About 187 years  
3. About 1,000 more people  
4. About 1,000 people per square mile

## Word Scrambler

Unscramble the words below!

1. ONTNWWORSB
2. OEDCEVR IEBRDG
3. MSEYRUO
4. SEPIP NPUGLE
5. OKCSJNA YUOCTN

Answers: 1. Brownstown 2. Covered Bridge 3. Seymour 4. Pepsi Plunge 5. Jackson County

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# Indiana the Strong

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## Indiana American Water Releases Annual Reports On Water Quality

Indiana American Water announced yesterday that results published in the company's latest annual water quality reports available online indicated excellent water quality throughout its 22-county service area. Also known as Consumer Confidence Reports, these reports are annual performance measures of the drinking water supplied by Indiana American Water in comparison to compliance standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

"Indiana American Water has an exceptional track record when it comes to delivering high-quality drinking water, and these reports are a testament to the hard work, dedication and expertise of our employees," said Indiana American Water President Matt Prime. "Our customers expect and can remain confident that we continue to supply clean, safe tap water to help keep their lives flowing, and we

encourage them to find out for themselves through these latest reports."

The water quality reports, which are issued for each of the company's public water systems and searchable by zip code on the company's website, provide information on where the water comes from, water tests conducted, substances detected in water and the levels of those substances. Continuously asked questions and associated answers concerning drinking water are also included.

"Our team continues to serve as a leader on a state and national stage for our consistent water quality and extensive source water protection efforts," Prime continued. "We have the expertise of our employees, the right technologies and techniques in use, and a demonstrated commitment to upgrading our infrastructure on an ongoing basis. Last year alone, we invested more than \$145 million in our infrastructure across the state."

"Just as important, we place a strong focus

on acting as stewards of our environment," Prime continued. "We participate in activities and outreach that help communities protect their watersheds and educate customers on how to use water wisely. We are also committed to acting sustainably by reducing our greenhouse gas emissions, recycling our precious resources, including water, and protecting the biodiversity of local watersheds."

All five of Indiana American Water's surface water treatment plants received Distinguished Awards for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Partnership for Safe Water. The program recognizes water providers who voluntarily implement measures to optimize treatment plant performance and distribution system operation, resulting in the production and delivery of superior quality water. As part of meeting the Directors Award requirements, water treatment plants must meet certain criteria and provide water service that, in some cases, sur-

passes what is required by federal and state drinking water standards.

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## Indiana DOR To Host In-Person And Virtual Annual Public Hearing

The Indiana Department of Revenue (DOR) will host this year's annual public hearing on May 26, 2022, at 10 a.m. The public hearing provides customers with a general overview of the agency's progress and provides a forum for the agency to hear directly from its customers and stakeholders.

"This hearing is a chance for Hoosiers to share their valuable feedback, helping us embody our core value of continuous improvement and deliver best-in-class service," stated DOR Commissioner Bob Greenlee. During the hearing, the Commissioner will be providing a brief update on major DOR initiatives.

Interested customers and stakeholders may attend the hearing in-person, or choose to attend online.

To attend in-person:

The hearing will be held in Conference Room B in the Indiana Government Center South Building located at 503 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

To attend virtually: To watch live online, visit [dor.in.gov/news-media-and-publications](http://dor.in.gov/news-media-and-publications) and select "Annual Public Hearings." Online viewers can log in to the meeting starting on May 26, which will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

To provide comment: Individuals wishing to attend in-person and speak during the hearing should email their request to [Business@dor.in.gov](mailto:Business@dor.in.gov) by May 23 to reserve a speaker slot. In addition, individuals attending in-person or watching online may submit comments to DOR prior to the meeting by emailing [Business@dor.in.gov](mailto:Business@dor.in.gov).

## Wabash And Purdue Online Form Educational Partnership Aimed At Digital Transformation

The business of manufacturing, logistics and transportation, like a lot of businesses, is undergoing a data-driven digital transformation, and Wabash, an innovation leader for engineered solutions in those fields, intends to stay ahead of the curve. Wabash, formerly Wabash National, has a homecourt advantage in working to achieve its goal. Just across the Wabash River from the company, which is based in Lafayette, Indiana, lies Purdue University, routinely ranked as one of the most innovative universities in the U.S.

In December 2021, Wabash and Purdue announced a five-year research and development partnership that could apply cutting-edge knowledge in areas ranging from advanced engineering and quantum computing in materials science and electric vehicles to challenges facing the company and its customers, among them the exploding growth of e-commerce and home delivery and a growing emphasis on sustainability and automation.

Now, Wabash is working with Purdue Online in an educational partnership to train employees in better lead and implement digital transformation measures in match the accelerating pace of change in the industry. To start, Wabash is putting selected employees through Purdue's online Data Science in Finance and Data Storytelling courses and five certificate programs - in Data Science, Applied Data Analytics, Business

Analytics, Information Management and Cybersecurity. The company pays for tuition, fees and books.

"At Wabash, our purpose is to change how the world reaches you, and Dave Teeter, senior director, talent and organizational effectiveness. "We understand as a forward-thinking organization that this can be powerfully enabled in significant part by digital transformation. It is critical that we enhance our collective organizational understanding of the concepts within this space and culture them to move our business forward and create additional value for our customers."

"In addition to Purdue University being a critical and valued partner to Wabash across multiple areas, they are also a recognized leader in delivering this type of learning and education," Teeter said. "They have worked with us collaboratively to meet our learning needs and deliver in a way that benefits our dynamic workforce."

Nile Gilmanov, an IT security engineer who's worked at Wabash for nine years, is taking Purdue's Cybersecurity Certificate series with modules covering Secure Foundations and Secure Applications. He said the program is enhancing his skills - and enhancing the security of the company's digital assets in the process.

"It's filling in some gaps for me, and it's also refreshing things I knew but may have forgotten," Gilmanov said. "It helps me make better decisions

and helps me apply more best practices in making decisions."

Amara Garman, manager of talent, learning and development, said Wabash sees the educational partnership with Purdue only expanding in the future. "This first cohort of students is a pilot," Garman said. "We have a small subset of employees utilizing the program now, with the expectation that we grow participation exponentially over the coming years."

The educational partnership aligns with the research partnership with Purdue, Garman said, and it fits with Wabash's culture, which emphasizes employees having a growth mindset, being curious and always learning.

"We really see it as an investment in our employees," Garman said. Senior company leaders strongly back the program. Teeter and Chief Financial Officer Mike Pettit are even part of the initial student cohort. Both are enrolled in Purdue's Data Storytelling course.

"Whether it is our highly rated online master's degrees in engineering or individual courses and certificate programs, Purdue is building a strong portfolio of offerings attractive for working professionals and taught by faculty who are recognized leaders in their fields," said Dimitrios Peroulis, Purdue's Michael and Katherine Birch Head and Kelly Professor, Elmore Family School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, and special advisor to the

dean of engineering on online learning.

That the Purdue courses are 100% online gives busy people like Pettit, Teeter and other employees the flexibility to fit their learning into their schedules and also makes the learning opportunity available to Wabash employees in other parts of the country. Wabash has employees from Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin enrolled in the first cohort.

Purdue Online did more than just provide the courses, Garman said. Purdue Online staff members were "thought partners" in putting the program together and have been readily available to help get it going.

"One of the goals of Purdue Online is to work with corporate partners to meet their employees' training and retraining needs, which can range from connecting them to and packaging courses and programs Purdue already offers to working with them to design tailored programs," said Cary Bertolino, senior vice president for Purdue Online and Learning Innovation. "The educational partnership with Wabash fits perfectly with that goal."

Wabash already had a good feel for what an educational partnership with Purdue could provide. The company regularly hires interns and full-time employees from Purdue.

"Really, it's a no-brainer," Garman said. "When you have a top university just across the river you have to use it."

## Sen. Boots Talks Mental Health Awareness Month

In an effort to spread awareness and fight stigma surrounding mental health, May is recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month. This month serves as an opportunity for us to come together and discuss mental health care and how to support individuals struggling with their mental health.

This session, my colleagues and I supported new laws that will expand access to mental health care and help us gather more data on the issue.

I was proud to support a measure to expand Indiana's network of community behavioral health clinics. These facilities provide a wide array of mental health and addiction services while partnering with local institutions like schools, hospitals or law enforcement agencies to ensure those in need of treatment have that option readily available to them. These programs have shown promise and I look forward to seeing more of them across Indiana.

I also supported Senate Enrolled Act 84, which requires the Indiana Department of Health to produce a report that tracks the number of suicide and substance abuse-related fatalities. This monthly report



Sen. Phil Boots

will be done by county and track the demographics of each victim, as well as the method of suicide or overdose. In doing so, the state will receive better data that will help us make informed public policy decisions in an effort to curb suicide and overdose-related fatalities and better help individuals in need of mental health care. Mental health struggles may seem like a never-ending battle, but there are resources available. If you or someone you know is in need of support, call 221 or visit <https://bevetillindiana.com/mental-health/resources/>.

Sen. Phil Boots represents Montgomery, Fountain, Porter, Vermillion and Warren counties and a portion of Boone County. He is one of the shareholders of The Paper of Montgomery County.

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Psalms 27:1 The LORD is my  
light and my salvation; whom  
shall I fear? the LORD is the  
strength of my life; of whom  
shall I be afraid?



**➔ FACES OF  
HAMILTON COUNTY**

**What makes Bob Minton smile?**  
"The Pork Chop Festival and seeing people happy," said the 84-year-old Noblesville resident. The Noblesville Lions Club member was found volunteering with the Lions Club's annual Pork Chop Festival in 2021 on the Hamilton County Courthouse Square in downtown Noblesville. He was watching over the silent auction, for which he donated a stained-glass angel that he made. He is a retired school teacher of 38 years, teaching 34 years in Noblesville. In retirement, he does stained glass as a hobby that he has enjoyed since the late 1970s. Originally from Paoli, he came to Noblesville for a job opportunity. "I interviewed for a job here and never regretted it." He taught eighth-grade science and was known at school for collecting neckties, a collection that numbered more than 400 neckties. He still has all of the neckties, too. He was married 57 years to Scarlett Minton, who passed away in 2018. He has four children, seven grand children and five great grandchildren. Three of his daughters volunteered at the Pork Chop Festival with him. "This has been a great day today because I've met a lot more friends and talked and enjoyed the day." What else does he like to do? "Spending time with family, the kids, grandkids and great grandkids. They take care of me." This year, the Lions will be serving up pork chops and chicken 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday (The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville Darlington Red Race is at 7 p.m.), pancakes 7-11 a.m. Saturday and hot dogs Saturday afternoon (Noblesville Main Street Duck Race activities are 2:40-3 p.m.). Read more about the Lions event in the Betsy Reason column in Tuesday's edition of The Times.

**And Another Thing...**

**ROAD CLOSURE**

On or after Monday, June 6, W. 236th Street between Six Points Road and Lamong Road will be closed to all thru traffic for the replacement of a regulated drain pipe through the Surveyor's Office. Local traffic will continue to have access to their homes, while thru traffic should use the posted detour route of Six Points Road, SR-36, and Lamong Road.

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## Hairbanger's Ball Returns to Headline 2022 Noblesville 4th of July Fireworks Festival

The City of Noblesville is actively preparing for a spectacular 2022 Noblesville Fireworks Festival and has announced details for the free events taking place on Monday, July 4, beginning at 4:30 p.m. with the Stars & Stripes Forever Parade through Downtown Noblesville. The Noblesville Fourth of July parade, festival, and fireworks display is the longest continuously running celebration in Central Indiana and an annual tradition in Noblesville since 1997.

"We are so excited for Hairbanger's Ball to be rejoining us for another spectacular Fourth of July celebration," Mayor Chris Jensen said. "This is always a fun day for my family and I look forward to celebrating with our community starting with the parade going through downtown Noblesville and ending with fun events at Forest Park." The day kicks off with the annual Stars & Stripes Forever Fourth of July Parade at 4:30 p.m. Registration to participate



in the parade is \$25 (nonprofits are not charged) and entries must be submitted by June 29. Forms are available at www.NoblesvilleFireworksFestival.com. The free Fireworks Festival will take place at Forest Park from 6 to 10 p.m. The event

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The cast of "Rumors" rehearse for the show, which opens Thursday and continues through June 12 at Basile Westfield Playhouse.

## Neil Simon's 'Rumors' Opens in Westfield



**BETSY REASON**  
The Times Editor

Comedic timing isn't easy. The key is for actors to play the action as reality.

"The moment actors start playing comedy, they ruin it," said Jen Otterman director for Basile Westfield Playhouse's next play, Neil Simon's "Rumors," opening Thursday. "This show has a great deal of glib delivery that has to be authentic," she said. "Comedy has to be fast paced, and the lines have to be laid out but sound believable and natural. It can be learned, but it helps when an actor has some training, some innate talent and is able to share the stage and be comfortable with both taking the focus and giving the focus to his/her fellow actors." Otterman said this show is "high energy" and "very collaborative."

This show wasn't even on her radar. "Rumors" was submitted by another director more than three years ago and "was supposed to go up prior to Covid," she said. "That director's husband took a new job across the country and so Ka' Lena (Cuevas), who was the original producer, asked me to step in and take the show on. Then Covid happened and thus the show got delayed until now." Otterman said, "I joyfully took the show because I think it is one of the best comedies we have."

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## The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset  
RISE: 6:17 a.m.  
SET: 9:07 p.m.

High/Low  
Temperatures  
High: 82 °F  
Low: 68 °F

- Today is...
- International Children's Day
  - Dinosaur Day
  - National Olive Day

- What Happened  
On This Day
- 1945 First group of Berlin women start clearing rubble of World War II
  - 1974 The Heimlich maneuver is published
  - 2009 Air France flight 447 crashes into the Atlantic

- Births On This Day
- 1926 Marilyn Monroe American model, actress, singer
  - 1937 Morgan Freeman American actor, producer

- Deaths On This Day
- 1864 James Buchanan, 15th President of the US
  - 2008 Yves Saint Laurent French fashion designer

## The Horse (and Mule) Whisperer



**PAULA WREN**  
Local History Expert

You may have noticed I've used this column in the past to fill in some of the local minority history (African American, Jewish and Chinese) that's missing from the county history books.

I would have liked to have covered some Hispanic or Latino history as well, but the truth is, Hispanics and Latinos haven't had a significant pres-

ence.

**➔ HONEST HOOSIER**

I know Jung! I have every thing about it. The weather is finally warm all OK, most of the time. It's beautiful season. And maybe this year I'll get the grandkids to cut the grass!

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**➔ TODAY'S QUOTE**

"I wake up every morning and think to myself, 'how far can I push this company in the next 24 hours.'"

Leah Busque

**➔ OBITUARIES**

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**➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Cracking your knuckles often not appear to lead to arthritis. Today's Health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts, the sure to catch your attention each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7.com.



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## OBITUARIES

### Lonnie Lee Compton

September 5, 1948 - May 21, 2022

Lonnie Lee Compton, 73, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville.

He was born on September 5, 1948 to the late Garland and Lela (Godby) Compton in Noblesville, Indiana.

Mr. Compton proudly served his country in the United States Army, serving 2 years in Vietnam in the Big Red 101st Airborne. He was awarded several Purple Hearts.

He worked in Acquisitions at Fort Benjamin Harrison. Mr. Compton was an avid motorcycle rider and Abate instructor. He enjoyed fishing and camping, and was known for his "Lonnie-style" campfires.

Survivors include his companion Becky Singleton and her family, two brothers Chuck (Pho) Compton and Mark Compton, as well as his niece and two nephews, Jason, Kenneth and Candace.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services scheduled to begin at 1 p.m., on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville. The Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate. Inurnment will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675 (www.supportwoundedwarriorproject.org).

Online condolences may be made at www.randallroberts.com.



### Richardo Jose Duarte Valecillos

February 15, 1973 - May 27, 2022

Richardo Jose Duarte Valecillos, 49, of Carmel, passed away May 27, 2022.

He was born February 15, 1973 in Caracas, Venezuela.

As a Chef, Mr. Duarte enjoyed cooking and preparing meals. He was a gentle and peaceful man who liked to hike, listen to music, Alton Brown, Bette Midler, Metallica, the Beatles, Guns, and Roses, and watch documentaries with his niece. Even as a young boy, he was fascinated with airplanes, which allowed him the opportunity of training and working as a Flight Attendant.

Mr. Duarte had a passion for animals, such as hamsters, birds, and fish. The last six years of living with Johanna's family brought him much joy. He gave much effort in helping his family still living in Venezuela. Mr. Duarte was a loving and caring son, brother, and friend.

Survivors include his mother Isabel De Duarte Valecillos; brother Ruy Duarte; two nephews Ruy Alejandro and Andres Duarte; sister-in-law Johanna Marquez and husband Alberto Barra; niece Ainhoa; nephew Noah; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Rui Duarte; and an aunt.

Visitation is scheduled to take place Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 2 p.m. in Our Lady of Mt Carmel Catholic Church, 14598 Oakridge Road, Carmel, with the Memorial Mass scheduled to begin at 3 p.m.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Russell Family Funerals.



### Ruth Ann Hollingsworth

February 11, 1934 - May 20, 2022

Mrs. Ruth Ann Hollingsworth, 88, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 20, 2022, in Lakeland, Florida.

She was born in Lebanon, IN on February 11, 1934, a daughter of the late Charles Glenn Peabody and Mildred R. (Eck) Peabody.

Mrs. Hollingsworth was united in marriage to Jim Hollingsworth on June 12, 1953 at the Old Union Church, rural Jamestown, IN. They celebrated sixty loving years together before his passing on June 21, 2013.

Raised in Boone County, she was a graduate of Pinnell High School, class of 1952. She had performed secretarial duties at various businesses in and around Boone County. She had owned and operated Hollingsworth's Trading Post in Elizaville, Indiana, was an Avon lady in Boone County for more than ten years and worked at Biddle Screw Products in Sheridan and Indiana Mills and Manufacturing in Westfield before retiring in 1998. Mrs. Hollingsworth and her husband also worked part-time at Myers Mortuary before moving full time to Florida.

She was a devoted wife, mother and grand-mother. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star in Sheridan and served as Grand Ruth for the Indiana Grand Chapter. The Hollingsworths also enjoyed square dancing and were members of the Happy Hoppers in Boone County. Mrs. Hollingsworth was named Mrs. Personality (Congeniality) in the 1971 Mrs. Boone County Pageant.

Survivors include her three sons Vince (Sharon) of Lebanon, Victor of Lakeland, Florida and Vance of Woodland, Texas; five grandchildren Steven Hollingsworth, Tyler Hollingsworth, Alexandra Hollingsworth, Gabrielle Hollingsworth and Caleb Hollingsworth; one great grandchild Kamila Wulak; two sisters-in-law Bee Peabody and Madelyn Peabody, both of Lebanon; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two grandchildren Kristin Wulak and Keith Hollingsworth; four brothers John L. Peabody, Harold E. Peabody, David Peabody and Glenn Robert; and a sister, Dorothy Jean Menach.

Funeral services are planned for 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 28, 2022, at Myers Mortuary, 1502 North Lebanon Street, Lebanon, Indiana. Visitation is scheduled to be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday May 27 at the funeral home with Eastern Star rites scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Inurnment will follow services at Old Union Cemetery in Jamestown, Indiana.

Memorials may be directed in Ruth Ann's memory to Old Union Church or Gideon's, Boone County Chapter. Online condolences may be made at www.myersmortuary.com.



### Jerry Gardner

October 6, 1940 - May 24, 2022

Jerry Gardner, 81, of Westfield, passed away on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at Riverview Health in Noblesville.

He was born on October 6, 1940 to George and Lela (Essex) Gardner in Lebanon, Indiana.

Mr. Gardner proudly served in the United States Marines. He graduated from Westfield High School in 1958, and was very involved with FFA in his younger years. He was a member of Venture Christian Church and attended Community Bible Fellowship. Mr. Gardner worked for Western Electric as a pipe fitter and also spent time farming. He enjoyed being outside, taking care of his property, and going to coffee with his friends. He loved attending and supporting his grandchildren at their sporting events.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Patricia Gardner; two daughters Wendy (Mark) Pickett and Kerri (Steve) Brown; son Gary (Cristen) Gardner; seven grandchildren, Whitney (Myan) Robinson, Ian Pickett, Madison Pickett, Ashley (Andrew) Rozewski, Kelsey Brown, Lindsey Brown and Evan (Maxie) Gardner; sister Becky Mikesell; two great-grandchildren Jackson Wozniowski and Valerie Gardner; three step-grandchildren Rudi Willock, Abi Willock and Macey Davis; and step-great-grandchild Blake Thompson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, two sisters; and great-grandchild Emma Wozniowski.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville. A graveside service is scheduled to be held at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at Eagle Creek Cemetery, 15812 Little Eagle Creek Avenue in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675, https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org, or Ronald McDonald House of Indiana, 435 Limestone Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202, www.rmhcinc.org

Online condolences may be made at www.randallroberts.com.



### Donald Gene Reddick

March 20, 1928 - May 20, 2022

Donald Gene Reddick, 94, of Noblesville, passed away after an extended illness with family by his bedside, on Friday, May 20, 2022 at Five Star Residences of Noblesville.

He was born on March 20, 1928 to Clarence and Edna (Wills) Reddick in Boone County, Indiana.

Mr. Reddick graduated from Sheridan High School in 1946 and was a football manager during his high school years. He met his wife, Maxine Ella Rogers, in 1948; they married in 1950.

Mr. Reddick came from a family of 14 siblings, and being the 3rd child, and oldest son, required some responsibility. He had many jobs, some of which included bringing in coal for heating the coal stove, helping his parents with all the chores, and gathering corn in gunny sacks to sell at Mendelhall Grain Elevator in Sheridan for money for the coal.

He proudly and honorably served in the United States Navy during 1945-1946 with rank of Seaman 1st Class (SIC) working the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans during some active duty in WWII.

Mr. Reddick humbly and proudly raised 5 daughters with a stern but gentle hand, often working two jobs to support the family.

He worked at Tim-Tot Diaper Service for 15 years, often taking daughters along at a visit to them during the summer to see "what Daddy did", seeing the sights and having the rare pleasure of frequenting restaurants for breakfast and lunch. While employed there he survived a robbery while being tied up and threatened.

In 1966 he joined Alpha Xi of General Motors before retiring in the early 1990's. He also moonlighted at Kinzers Marathon Station in Noblesville.

Mr. Reddick was always meticulous in everything he pursued, from mowing the lawn to cleaning the garage. There was never anyone or ever will be anyone more precise and particular with record keeping.

He volunteered many years with Senior Citizens of Noblesville, being the Vice President in 1998. Mr. Reddick spent many hours there volunteering his time and services, by doing some of his expert trades involving plumbing, electric wiring, and carpentry, free of charge. He also worked with their recycling department.

After retirement, he and his wife took many trips with "Top Notch Tours", traveling through different states throughout the United States, including: Boys and Girls Town in Nebraska and Nashville, Gatlinburg, and Pigeon Forge in Tennessee, to name a few.

Mr. Reddick's hobbies included master carpenter - he single handedly built 3 room additions and a 2 car garage onto his home, doing all the plumbing and electrical work. He also enjoyed the "CB Radio Days" under the handle of "Donald Duck". He was always there when daughters/sons-in-law needed work done on their homes.

He has been a member of Calvary Baptist Church under the direction of Pastor Rick Bell for many years. Mr. Reddick also served as Deacon for many years before resigning his further services at the age of 86.

He valiantly and honorably took care of his loving wife, Maxine, during her precious and failing years, serving as primary care giver until requiring extensive help from family about 8 years ago.

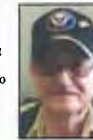
Survivors include his wife of 72 years Maxine Reddick; five daughters Pamela Brandenburg, Karen (Eddie) Dory, Lisa (Jim) Everitt, Teresa (Bob) Waugh and Tina (Gary) Owens; seven grandchildren Jason Sherrill, Nicole Green, Nathan Everitt, Natalie Spiller, Kelli Waugh, Eric Waugh and Derek Owens; great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, Taylor Linger, Nixon Linger, Rory Linger, Kyli Buzan, Alexi Buzan, Dylan Ogle, Christina Ogle, Adeline Ogle, Angel Everitt, Zita Everitt, Isaac Everitt, Connor Green, Kendall Green, Caden Green and Julian Spiller; five sisters Mary Rose, Marsella, Nancy Sue, Linda Lue and Beverly; and two brothers Bill and Richard. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his grandchildren Jill and Kevin Doty; parents-in-law Paul and Cecil Rogers; six brothers and sisters Virginia, Phyllis, Alonzo, Carroll, Wayne, and Larry; and beloved dog Bugsy.

Services are scheduled to be held at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street in Noblesville, with the Rev. Richard D. Bell officiating. Visitation is scheduled to be from 1 p.m. to the time of service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hydrocephalus Association, 4340 East West Highway, Suite 905, Bethesda, MD 20814-4447, https://secure2.cdnio.net/hydro/site/Donations2?id=3740&secure2.donation=form1 or the Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hage Road, Fishers, IN 46038, www.hamiltonhumane.com

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### Carolyn Sue McKinney

October 10, 1946 - May 25, 2022

Carolyn Sue McKinney, age 75, of Sheridan, Indiana, passed away on Wednesday evening, May 25, 2022, at Community North Hospital in Indianapolis.

She was born October 10, 1946 in Lebanon, Indiana, the daughter of the late James Newell and Hilda Lucille (Hillock) Haughey.

Shortly after graduating from Sheridan High School with the Class of 1964, Mrs. McKinney took a position as an office secretary with Meridian Mutual Insurance. She later went to work as a seamstress with Aera Drapery, a position she held for 15 years. After leaving the company, she went to work for Wilco's Home Goods in Sheridan, where she quickly became "Sheridan's Janitor" for her dress.

Mrs. McKinney enjoyed gardening, collecting paperweights, and doing word searches, and even though she worked as a seamstress, still enjoyed sewing and crocheting her own creations at home. As with most Hoosiers, there is a love affair with college basketball, and Mrs. McKinney was no exception. She followed both IU and Purdue, which made for some pretty intense seasons when they were playing each other. As with all college basketball fans, March was her favorite time of the year.

Of her many interests, there was nothing more important to Mrs. McKinney than her family - and spoiling them was her favorite hobby. She loved attending all their activities, and sometimes she was able to get in a little Cracker Barrel shopping when she had to travel to an event - a win-win for her loved ones and herself.

She was also the family DVR, long before that was even a thing. She loved her TV shows and movies and would often record her favorites on DVDs so that the grandkids could take them home and watch them. When it came to spoiling her family, you can't leave out Mrs. McKinney's cooking - most notably her pot roast and chicken & noodles.

As much as she loved her family, there were quite a few times that she had to put her foot down - remembering her role as the family peacekeeper. Starting from when the boys were young, and lasting until... well, as was said before, she was the family peacekeeper, using her strong faith and courage help guide her throughout her life.

Mrs. McKinney was a member of the "Best Mamaw Ever Club". She was blessed and honored to be able to be a second mother to her special girls, Emily and Lauren.

Survivors include her loving husband, Michael L. McKinney, to whom she was married on October 15, 1965; two sons Douglas L. (Tameia) McKinney of Sheridan and Scott Allen (Chandra) McKinney of Atlanta, Indiana; two granddaughters Emily Elizabeth McKinney and Lauren Michelle McKinney, both of Sheridan; two grandsons Connor James McKinney and Caleb Allen McKinney, both of Atlanta, Indiana; three sisters Cathy Ruid of Westfield, Connie (Eddie) Mossburg of Sheridan and Cheryl (Gary) Merrill of Sheridan; and sister-in-law Lynn Coval Haughey.

Mrs. McKinney loved animals. She leaves behind her faithful cocker spaniel, Roscoe, and her barn cats.

She was preceded in death by her parents James Newell and Hilda Lucille (Hillock) Haughey; brother James L. "Jimmy" Haughey; and daughter-in-law Darlene Michelle McKinney.

Services are scheduled to be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th Street, Sheridan, Indiana. Burial will follow at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. The Reverend Mark Knapp will be officiating. Visitation is scheduled to be held from 4 - 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Memorial Contributions may be presented to either the American Cancer Society, or to the American Heart Association.



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## New Market Concert Series to Begin on June 2nd at Grand Junction Plaza

The Downtown Westfield Association and Westfield Welcome have partnered to bring live music to Grand Junction Plaza this summer. The Market Concert Series presented by F.A. Wilhelm Construction will feature four concerts on the Great Lawn in the Plaza in conjunction with the Thursday evening Farmers Market.

The first concert will take place on Thursday, June 2, from 6 - 8 p.m. featuring Valerie Phelps. The Farmers Market gets underway at 5 p.m.

"Who doesn't love live music at a farmers market? Grand Junction Plaza gives us the ultimate spot - right in the heart of downtown Westfield to shop, eat and listen to



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live music. We have been excited about this idea for the past year. Thanks to the generous support of F.A. Wilhelm Construction, we will host four big shows alongside the Westfield Farmers Market," said Downtown Westfield Association CEO Steve Latour.

"F.A. Wilhelm Construction is honored to be the City of Westfield's

construction partner on Grand Junction Plaza. The project is a great addition to Westfield and will be enjoyed by the community for years to come," said Mike Kerr, Executive Vice President of F.A. Wilhelm. "We are proud to be a sponsor for the many events planned by the City of Westfield and the Downtown Westfield Association throughout the year."

**2022 Market Concert Series Lineup:**  
• June 2 - Valerie Phelps  
• July 7 - Lovesick Moan / The Auburns  
• August 4 - BC & The Classic Bus  
• September 1 - Cool City Band  
Public parking for the

event is available in the gravel lot directly east of Grand Junction Plaza, at Westfield Friends Church and in the parking lot at the southwest corner of Poplar Street and Park Street. Shuttle service will be available for the duration of the market from Westfield Friends Church and the Poplar and Park Street parking lot. Please look for the "Shuttle Service" tents. A parking map can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/2p9av5db>.

With its start in 2008, Downtown Westfield Association is a non-profit organization in partnership with the City of Westfield. Its goal is to connect the community through the downtown.

## Local Attorney Heather Kane Named Legal Content Director at TOPDOG Legal Marketing



Heather Kane

Indiana attorney Heather Kane has been promoted to the position of Legal Content Director at TOPDOG Legal Marketing, LLC. A 25-year attorney with experience in the publishing industry, her skill set is well-suited to the position, and TOPDOG is pleased to have her in the role.

Mrs. Kane received her JD from Indiana University Maurer School of Law. She has bachelor's degrees from Purdue University in Organizational Communication and German. To her work at TOPDOG, she brings skills from her time in private practice, as a judicial clerk, and as a court staff attorney.

As a Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor at Indianapolis' Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Mrs. Kane taught a course on Legal Analysis,

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Research and Communications. She also worked at Lexis Nexis and Pearson Education, both respected names in the digital publishing industry.

"Heather is a perfect fit as TOPDOG's incoming Legal Content Director," said TOPDOG CEO Krista Duncan Black.

"Her legal experience and law degree are, of course, essential, but her passion for learning means she is always moving forward in our ever-changing digital environment. I'm thrilled to have Heather as part of our executive team; her insights are brilliant."

A longtime resident of Indiana, she lives in Noblesville with her family and pets. She is active in the local community, volunteers with various organizations, and is very involved with her church.

Learn more about Mrs. Kane and TOPDOG Legal Marketing LLC at [topdog-legalmarketing.com](http://topdog-legalmarketing.com).

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## Local Student Earns One-of-a-Kind Esports Scholarship to Ball State

Ball State University and Rahal Letterman Lanigan Racing (RLL) have selected the first two recipients of a first-of-its-kind scholarship program for esports student-athletes, one of whom is a former Noblesville resident.

The Rahal Letterman Lanigan Racing Scholarship provides \$5,000 annually to two members of Ball State's varsity esports team each year from the 2022-23 through 2025-26 academic years. The scholarship program, which advances the University's mission of recruiting and retaining the top esports talent in the world, is a key aspect of the recently formed partnership between Ball State and RLL, which is co-owned by television legend David Letterman, a 1969 Ball State graduate, 1986 Indianapolis 500 winner Bobby Rahal and businessman Mike Lindgren.

The first recipients of the Rahal Letterman Lanigan Racing Scholarship are:

• Rhett Crain, 18, from Noblesville, Ind. Mr. Crain, who specializes in the games iRacing and F1 2021, plans on majoring in Computer Science at Ball State.

• Ar Muhammad Aleef, a 23-year-old pro-level esports driver from Singapore. Mr. Aleef earned

his diploma in Mechanical Engineering with a specialty in Robotics, from Temasek Polytechnic Singapore. At Ball State, he plans on majoring in Business Analytics.

In addition to being the first recipients of this scholarship, these esports student-athletes will drive a Ball State/RLL-branded car in the upcoming INDYCAR video game upon its release in 2023.

"When considering the applicants for the Rahal Letterman Lanigan Racing Scholarship, what made both Ar Muhammad Aleef and Rhett Crain stand out was their passion and experience in both sim racing and live racing," said Dan Marino, director of Ball State's esports program and head coach of the University's varsity esports team. "After getting to know both students better, it was clear that they didn't just see the RLL scholarship as a pathway for competition, but to be a part of something larger within our esports program and through opportunities with RLL."

The partnership between Ball State and RLL—established in February—has provided other opportunities for students engaged in Ball State's esports program. This month, for example, several Ball State Esports students took ad-

vantage of an exclusive opportunity to visit with and observe members of the RLL racing team in action at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway as they prepared for the 106th running of the Indianapolis 500.

"We share in Ball State's excitement and pride in welcoming the first two recipients of the Rahal Letterman Lanigan Racing Scholarship," said Tom Knox, senior vice president of sales and marketing for RLL. "When we announced the formation of RLL Esport in 2021, we knew the esports industry would be an exciting new way for us to stay engaged to our partners, our fans, and the entire racing community. Since that time, in partnering with Ball State and its esports program, we continue to find new and innovative ways to tap into the young, bright minds of the future, while also giving back to our community, our state, and our sport."

"As Indiana continues to grow, it expands educational opportunities and partnerships that allow for great advancements in racing and esports," Mr. Helmsing said. "A racing team like Rahal Letterman Lanigan teaming up with Ball State University is a prime example of how our state is working

diligently to attract and retain innovative talent, and illustrates that Hoosier partnerships are leading the way with evolutionary thinking."

For Dr. Paige Turner, dean of Ball State's College of Communication, Information, and Media (CCIM), which houses the University's esports program, having one of the few varsity esports sim racing programs in the country, backed by a unique partnership with a professional racing team, allows the college to attract top talent not only in gaming, but in other areas such as media, film, entertainment production, news and more.

"Sim racing as a genre in esports is gaining a tremendous amount of popularity each year, and we see it as an incredible opportunity for our University to be on the cutting edge of the collegiate esports industry," Dean Turner said. "Adding the layer of the Rahal Letterman Lanigan partnership on top of this, students with a passion for racing can have the curtain pulled back to see how an incredible organization like RLL works behind the scenes, while also making connections and gaining experience to propel them into fulfilling careers and meaningful lives."

### Meeting Notice

#### Hamilton County Community Corrections Advisory Board

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5(a) the Hamilton County Community Corrections

### Meeting Notice

#### Sheridan Economic Development Commission

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-

Advisory Board will meet at 12 p.m. on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at Hamilton County Community Corrections, 18104 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss agency business.

5(a) the Sheridan Economic Development Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2022 at the Sheridan Historical Society, 315 South Main Street, Sheridan, TN 46069.

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### Meet THE PRODUCTION CREW

**Producer** - Ka'lena Cuevas, Fishers; **Director** - Jen Otterman, Noblesville; **Assistant Director/Stage Manager** - Nicole Amsler, Noblesville; **Lighting Designer** - Eric Mattars, New Palestine; **Lights Operator** - Aaron Ploof, Noblesville; **Sound Designers** - Eric Doon, Indianapolis, and Jeff Coss, Westfield; **Sound Operators** - Eric Doon and Sloan Haywood, Fishers; **Costumes** - Linda Findley Grow, McCordsville; **Properties** - Molly Kraus, Fishers; **Set Construction** - Robert Rave, Zionsville, Jay Mitchell, South Carolina, Jen Otterman; **Set Decorating** - Jen Otterman, Molly Kraus, Nicole Amsler



Jen Otterman

second time, using his life experience sing being a student," Otterman said.

Also, Josh Ellicker, "who is playing Lenny, trained at Second City in Chicago and had, as one of his teachers, a man who I used to act with at The Red Barn Summer Theatre in Frankfort, proving the six degrees of separation theory is accurate," she said.

The show's set is beautiful. Otterman designed it herself.

"My original set builder was injured building a set for another theater, and so my producer was able to get Robert Rave, who recently built other sets for Basile Westfield

(Playhouse) to step in," she said. "My dear friend from South Carolina, Jay Mitchell, who I did high school theater with, built some set stair units and drove them all the way back to Noblesville to help me with the construction. He stayed at my house, and he and I, along with Robert, spent about 10 days building from about 10 o'clock in the morning to 5 o'clock in the afternoon. I then rushed home to shower and drive back for rehearsal at 7 p.m. I am still working on it. In fact, I will be at the theater tomorrow afternoon hoping to finish it up," she said late Sunday night.

Her costumer is Linda Grow, who Otterman met last summer while directing Noblesville Cultural Art Commission's Shakespeare in the Park production. She is wonderfully talented, and I was thrilled when she agreed to take on this role even though she was heading to Scotland for a week. She is a joy to work with."

Otterman has more than 55 years of theatrical experience, acting in a multitude of productions and directing more than 50 plays

### Want TO GO?

What? Main Street Productions presents the comedy, "Runners," an elegant farce by Neil Simon...  
**When:** 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, June 2-12.  
**Where:** Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St., Westfield.  
**How much:** \$17 for adults, \$15 for ages 17 and younger (with identification) and 62 and older, \$15 for students with ID, free to active military and veterans with identification.  
**Reservations required:** Call 317-402-3341 or visit [www.westfieldplayhouse.org](http://www.westfieldplayhouse.org). No late seating.  
**What's next:** Auditions for summer youth production, "30 Reasons Not To Be In A Play" are noon to 2 p.m. June 4 and 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 5. Entry through front lobby doors; auditions will be upstairs.

at Hamilton Southeastern High School. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Speech/Theatre and Psychology from Indiana University and a master's degree in Theatre Performance from Northwestern University. For 29 years, she wrote the curriculum for and taught Public Speaking, Advanced Placement Composition, Creative Writing and Acting classes I-IV. She was a long-standing member of the Institute for Recruitment of Teachers Advisory Board and one of the authors for the Department of Education's state standards for theater

Since retirement, she's been directing plays for community theater.

What's up next for Otterman?

She will conduct auditions on Monday and Tuesday for the 30th anniversary of Shakespeare in the Park, the play, "Hamlet," which will be onstage July 27-30 at Federal Hill Commons in Noblesville, and then will take a hiatus until directing "Crimes of the Heart" for The Belfry Theatre's 58th year, during the 2022-23 season.

Contact Betsy Reason at [betsy@thetimes24-7.com](mailto:betsy@thetimes24-7.com)

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ence in Hamilton County until the last 20 to 30 years. I can remember only one family in Noblesville with a Hispanic or Latino background while I was growing up.

(The terms "Hispanic" and "Latino" are often used interchangeably, but they're not the same thing. Basically, "Hispanic" refers to Spanish-speaking people. A "Latino" is any individual from Latin America, including Brazilians whose native tongue is Portuguese.)

I haven't run across evidence of any Hispanics or Latinos living here during Hamilton County's earliest years, but that doesn't mean the county

didn't see some Hispanic or Latino visitors.

One hundred forty-five years ago this week, the June 1, 1877 Noblesville Ledger reported that Noblesville was being well entertained by the "dextrous manipulations" of a young Mexican the newspaper referred to as "Mexican John" or "John the Mexican."

John demonstrated an impressive expertise with a lasso, roping dogs and tripping up boys from as far away as 40 or 50 feet, but it was his skill in riding and training horses, mules and donkeys, that really left an impression on the local population.

Earlier in the week, the young man had convinced

a butcher's "stubborn" horse to not only tolerate carrying him on its back, but also to follow him around the city's streets.

Upon hearing about that, farmer Dave Brock announced that one of the mules that had pulled his wagon to town that day refused to allow anyone to ride him. Brock, no mean rider himself, let it be known the mule had thrown him "higher than a kite."

Smiling, the Mexican confidently stated that for \$5 he would ride anybody's mule, including Brock's.

Brock wasn't inclined to chance losing more than one dollar, so a collection was taken up by

the crowd of spectators. Although they only managed to scrape together \$3, John agreed to accept the challenge.

The mule was unhitched and saddled, and a group of around 200 people trooped up to an area near the old fairgrounds to watch the show. (Today, that's the land between North Elementary and White River.)

The Mexican mounted the mule and immediately the animal began to buck, rear and do everything possible to dislodge his laughing rider, but ten minutes later, onlookers were amazed to see the mule calm down and trot off "as gently as a cow."

John dismounted and collected his \$3, but the crowd wasn't ready to let him go, insisting that he ride the mule again to prove his feat wasn't a fluke.

It wasn't. This time the Mexican rode about 100 yards, then reversed direction and headed straight for the crowd before pulling the mule to a halt "as orderly as possible."

A couple of weeks later, the Ledger reported John had tamed yet another obstinate mule, one with a reputation for tossing riders over his head — especially if the rider carried anything that made a noise. John earned the whop-

ping sum of \$2.25 for sticking in the mule's saddle for 15 minutes while he jangled some sleigh bells and dug his spurs into the animal's sides.

I wasn't able to learn what had brought the Mexican to Noblesville in the first place, or where he went after he left, but the last mention of him in the Ledger indicated he intended to travel to Anderson to tame all THEIR "unmanageable" colts, mules, and donkeys.

Paula Dunn's *From Time to Time* column appears on Wednesdays in The Times. Contact her at [younggardenerfriend@gmail.com](mailto:younggardenerfriend@gmail.com)

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will include traditional park amenities such as playgrounds, shelters and shade; along with festival items like a bungee jump course, an axe throwing trailer, rock wall, inflatables, trackless train and a kids area. An adult area will include a beer garden and games. Hairbanger's Ball will perform on the main stage from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The day will end with the annual fire-

works show, which will begin at 10 p.m.

In addition to all the events planned, Forest Park will also be featuring a limited VIP section where families and friends can purchase tables for the evening. These tables offer up-close seating to the live music performance, an exceptional view of the fireworks, and a great meeting place to safely gather and eat in between

activities.

VIP table groups may bring in their own food and drink, participate in a table-decorating contest, and get access to separate VIP restroom options. This area expands the festival's seating and viewing options. Tables seat eight people and cost \$160. Registration will open to the public at 8 a.m. Tuesday, May 31 online at [www.NoblesvilleFireworksFestival.com](http://www.NoblesvilleFireworksFestival.com). Funds received for VIP section accommodations help defray costs of hosting the community event.

More announcements about the upcoming Fourth of July festivities will be released soon. For more information about sponsoring or donating to the holiday activities, contact the Noblesville Parks Department at NoblesvilleParks.org or 317-776-6350.

### Noblesville Lions Park Chop & Chicken Dinner

Where: Noblesville Square, under the big tent  
When: Friday, June 3rd from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
How much: Adults - \$10 (with ticket) or \$12 at the door; kids - \$5

Pancake Breakfast and Duck Race Hot Dogs  
Where: Under the big tent (Breakfast) and Logan Street Bridge (Hot Dogs)

When: Saturday, June 4th, 7 - 11 a.m.; 12 - 3 p.m.  
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# Hearing Loss Makes Your BRAIN WORK HARDER

If you're struggling to hear, you don't just miss a few sounds here or there. New research shows that adults with hearing loss experience a 40% faster decline in cognitive abilities. This suggests that the entire brain may be struggling to fill in the gaps caused by untreated hearing loss.

Beltone Hearing Care Practitioners point to new research. "Several studies have done imaging to look at the brains of people with varying degrees of hearing loss," Beltone says.

With normal hearing, the section of the brain that's responsible for hearing lights up during imaging. But the scans reveal a different picture for a person with untreated hearing loss. Researchers found that the hearing center of the brain shrinks in age-related hearing loss. Therefore, other areas of the brain necessary for memory and thinking must take over to help compensate. That's why people with hearing loss are more fatigued at the end of the day. Your brain is having to work harder if you have untreated hearing loss.

*"We want to keep you as healthy as we possibly can. And with hearing aids, you're not only taking care of your hearing and your relationships, but we have the potential, because of the auditory stimulation, to provide benefit for your brain health."*

The symptoms may be obvious when you're struggling to hear your grandchild or trying hard to follow a conversation in a crowded place, but many people do not realize that even when you're home alone or in a quiet environment, your brain is still having to work harder than it should to compensate for your hearing loss.

Thankfully, research is showing that when hearing loss is detected early and treated with hearing aids, the brain can reorganize itself back to its usual operation. This research may help explain the link between hearing loss, cognitive decline and memory loss.



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Beltone Hearing Care Practitioners say "We want to keep you as healthy as we possibly can. With hearing aids, you're not only taking care of your hearing and your relationships, but we have the potential, because of the auditory stimulation, to provide benefit for your brain health. Hearing loss is not just about your ears. A lot of people tell us that they 'get by just fine', but we remind them that they need to think beyond communication and instead think in terms of overall health."



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While many folks shop for the lowest price for hearing aids, it is highly recommended to shop for the best healthcare professional that you feel comfortable with to ensure your satisfaction and success.

"Think of your hearing in terms of the whole package. If you needed knee surgery, would you shop for the cheapest implant or the most qualified and experienced surgeon to provide the best product, outcome and follow-up care?"

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Instead of focusing solely on price, We suggest you meet with a hearing care specialist who can not only determine if you have hearing loss and suggest a course of treatment, but work with you every step of the way to improve your quality of life.

"We come at hearing in terms of overall health. We want to build a relationship with you throughout your life. We understand the emotional and financial investment involved, which is why our goal is to keep you hearing your best for as long as we possibly can," Beltone says.

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## TIME TO TAKE YOUR HEARING HEALTH SERIOUSLY

Hearing may be the most underappreciated of the five senses. If you can't see well, of course, you'll visit a licensed eye doctor to get glasses or contacts to correct your vision. But, in this day and age, people are still hesitant to see a hearing care specialist, professionals that are highly trained to treat hearing loss.

"The reasons are endless," says Beltone. "Many of us don't think we're old enough to need hearing aids, or we worry they'll make us look older. Some of us don't think our hearing loss is bad enough to need help, or we're worried about the cost."

The fact is that even a mild hearing loss may be affecting your brain function, your sense of

balance and your relationships with family and friends.

"Hearing loss is hard on relationships."

You may think the simple solution is to just turn the TV louder or ask your kids or grandkids to speak up, but even a mild hearing loss can affect you in countless ways. If your hearing is at all impaired, your brain has to work harder, trying to make out words and sounds. A hearing loss can make it harder to interact in social situations, to spend time with family, or to be productive at work. Research has linked untreated hearing loss with cognitive decline, dementia and an increased risk of falls.

**THE SOLUTION:** Resolve to schedule a free hearing exam. It's quick, easy, and will provide you with the information you need to move forward in life.



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## TODAY'S VERSE

Psalms 1:1-3 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.



## FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

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What makes Greg Conner smile?

"My kids and a packed Forest Park Aquatic Center on a hot sunny summer day," said the 39-year-old Noblesville resident, who was 10 years old at the Aquatic Center readying for the 91st summer season at the Noblesville pool. He invites the community to a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 2 p.m. today at the Aquatic Center for its new LED videoboard.

The video board is believed to be the largest of its kind at an outdoor aquatic center in the country. (The 2021 Olympic qualifying diver Tyler Downs will cut the ribbon.) Conner is president of the board of directors for Friends of Central Pool, a nonprofit that operates the pool and consists of dedicated volunteers like Conner. Conner was born and raised in Noblesville and graduated in 2001 from Noblesville High School and in 2005 from Purdue University.

He was a competitive swimmer in high school. He met his wife, Lisa, at Purdue, where she attended on a swimming scholarship. At Purdue, he was involved in student government, wrote sports for the Purdue Exponent and was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. He and Lisa have four kids, Blake, 13; Bryce, 10; Drew, 9; and Nora, 4. "Our family loves outdoor activities, especially golf and swimming," he said. "Growing up in Noblesville, my summers were spent at the Forest Park Aquatic Center, training and competing as a member of the Noblesville Swim Club. Our community is incredibly fortunate to have such an amazing amenity. Honestly, there are only a handful of outdoor facilities of its caliber in the United States." Growing up, he was lifeguard, head guard, assistant manager and director of operations at the Noblesville pool and is also on the Noblesville Adult Swim Team Inc. He is vice president of corporate development and marketing for Carmel-based Bastion Solutions (a part of Toyota Industries Co.), where he started as a project engineer after college, was in outside sales and part of the management team and later invited to be an owner of the company, Forest Park Aquatic Center is open for the summer pool season from 8 p.m. Saturdays, noon to 6 p.m. Sundays and noon to 7 p.m. weekdays. Admission is \$6, with memberships and now donor-level memberships available. The Aquatic Center, this season for the first time, will offer free sunblock daily. "There are not many communities like ours that can say they have had a public pool since 1931." For more, visit <https://www.forestparkpool.org/>. Read more about today's ribbon cutting in today's edition of The Times.

And Another Thing...

The Senior Citizen Organization of Noblesville will hold a bake sale at the Farmers Market at Federal Hill Commons from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on June 25. Members will be selling homemade cakes, cookies, candy, breads and other goodies, all reasonably priced. They will be set up in the grassy area at the east end of the public restroom building.

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## Friday Movies, Ferraris, Concerts, Plays, Summer Sledding, Shred Day and More



**BETSY REASON**  
The Times Editor

Noblesville Parks & Recreation kicks off its summer concert series at Federal Hill Commons and Dillon Park, Main Street Productions and Carmel Community Players present plays on stage. Hamilton County offers Shred Day, and Coomer Prairie has Art on the Prairie.

Here, we offer our Times readers 30 things to do this weekend and beyond:

1. Noblesville Parks offers Food Truck Fridays, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today, June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22, at Federal Hill Commons in Noblesville.
2. Jim Wafford's Hamilton

County TV presents the 11th annual free summer movie series at 9:15 p.m. Fridays, through June 24, with movies in your car on Friday nights in June at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnicking are invited. Tonight's movie: "Groundhog Day."

3. Main Street Productions presents "Mummers" comedy by Neil Simon, at Basile Westfield Playhouse, through Sunday, directed by Jen Usherian, with tickets at [www.westfieldplayhouse.org](http://www.westfieldplayhouse.org).

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## Noblesville's Forest Park Aquatic Center to Cut Ribbon on Videoboard



The Forest Park Aquatic Center is holding a formal ribbon-cutting ceremony for its new LED videoboard. The event will

## Hamilton County Lawmakers Support Special Session to Provide Inflation Relief to Hoosiers

Area legislators provided the following statements yesterday after Gov. Eric Holcomb announced his plan to call state lawmakers back to the Statehouse for a special session to provide inflation relief to Hoosier taxpayers:

"Inflation is having real and negative effects on everyday

take place at 2 p.m. today, Friday, June 10th. Representatives from USA Swimming, Indiana Swimming, USA Diving, AAU Diving, and the City of Noblesville are just a few of the many dignitaries who will be in attendance. 2021 Olympic qualifying diver Tyler Downs will cut the ribbon.

The videoboard, which was

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## Reimagined Inlow and Meadowlark Parks Now Open

Inlow Park, located at 6310 E. Main Street, and Meadowlark Park, located at 450 Meadowlark Ln., are now open for the public to enjoy. As part of Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation's Reimagining Parks Initiative and the Clay Township Impact Program, these parks received a complete refresh in order to meet the needs of the growing local community. Ribbon-cutting ceremonies with local officials and dignitaries will be held at a later date. Updates to Meadowlark Park and Inlow Park were made possible by the Clay Township Impact Program.

Inlow Park features an all-new splash pad, year-round playground, picnic tables, courts, an expanded parking lot, and two new picnic shelters.

Splash pad:

The new splash pad is open daily from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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## The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset  
RISE: 6:14 a.m.  
SET: 9:12 p.m.

High/Low Temperatures  
High: 73 °F  
Low: 57 °F

Today is...  
• Alcoholics Anonymous Founders' Day  
• National Iced Tea Day  
• National Marriage Day

What Happened On This Day  
• 1935 Alcoholics Anonymous is founded  
• 1967 The Six-Day War ends  
• 1999 The Kosovo War ends

Births On This Day  
• 1921 Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh  
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• 1922 Judy Garland  
American actress, singer

Deaths On This Day  
• 1967 Spencer Tracy  
American actor  
• 2004 Ray Charles  
American singer-songwriter, pianist, actor

## Noblesville PD Debuts Online Reporting Site

The Noblesville Police Department has an online emergency incident reporting system to make reporting more accessible and instant for Noblesville residents. The department can now accept online report submissions at [www.cityofnoblesville.org/emergency-reporting](http://www.cityofnoblesville.org/emergency-reporting).

The new website allows Noblesville residents to submit a form to request a report for damage or stolen property, identity theft, and lost or stolen property. The online portal is intended for incidents where there is no suspect information.

"If you have an incident where an officer is not needed, online reporting allows residents to use their computer or mobile device when it is convenient in their busy schedule to report issues," NPD Chief John Mann said. "The website is not monitored in real time, so we urge residents to call 911 if the incident is an emergency or an officer is needed to respond immediately."

The goal of the online portal is to make it easier for our

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## OBITUARIES

None

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank BONTA ZARINS for subscribing!

## HONEST HOOSIER

Somewhere over the rainbow Judy Garland is celebrating what would have been her 100th birthday today!

## TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Don't watch TV before going to sleep - the bright light and activity may keep your brain awake. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at [www.thetimes24-7.com](http://www.thetimes24-7.com)



## TODAY'S QUOTE

"Very often, a change of self is needed more than a change of scene."

- A.C. Benson

## TODAY'S JOKE

The world has changed so much you can't even go to a concert. Too much sex and violence.



## How to Read a Redhead!



**DICK WOLFSTIE**  
Punny Boke

My wife is a redhead. We went to New York last month and several strangers commented about how thick and beautiful her hair is. Sometimes when I ask Mary Ellen what she is planning for the next morning, she'll say, "Washing my hair." Then I say, "Okay, how about tomorrow afternoon?" And she says, "Drying my hair." Because I have less hair (way less), I can achieve both of those tasks in about 90 seconds. Mary Ellen will admit that she has a few gray hairs on her head. I also have a few gray hairs, but that's all I have.

Are redheads different in temperament and personality? Research conducted at a Kentucky university reports that women with red hair required more drugs to alleviate pain and more anesthesia for surgeries. The study was tough to carry out because it is difficult to tell when a person is fully anesthetized. It's also difficult to determine

who is a natural redhead. Why would anyone study something like this? Where would they get the idea that hair color has anything to do with what determines someone's personality? Gee, the next thing you know, some jerk will start telling jokes about blondes.

The researchers asked brunettes and redheads to voluntarily allow themselves to be hooked up to electrodes so scientists could shock them with a gradually increasing intensity while at the same time allowing the subjects to increase the dosage of pain relievers being self-administered.

This experiment, which I thought had been outlawed by some international treaty after WWII, apparently proved that redheads did, in fact, require a lot more meds to withstand the pain. Either that, or they enjoyed the high they were getting, and they saw no reason to end the session. Both groups—but brunettes even more so—were grumpy and vocal about the pain. This was not reported by the scientists because they didn't want to give electric shock experiments a bad name.

I didn't share the article with my wife, since I wanted to do a little independent study of my own. My friend's wife is a brunette, so he and I came up with some test situations. Based on an entire

weekend of exhaustive research, we discovered some differences between redheads and brunettes...at least from the husband's standpoint.

According to our findings, a man with a redheaded wife:

1. Requires a 20-percent more expensive restaurant to get out of the dog house.
2. Needs 15 percent more pleading to play Pickleball on the weekend.
3. Will be 12 percent later at the symphony.
4. Is 14 percent more likely to say the wrong thing at a party.
5. Will tell 80 percent fewer jokes about people with freckles.
6. Will spend 35 percent more time saying to clerks at Christmas: "My wife can't wear that color."
7. If he's smart, is 100 percent less likely to accuse her of being "licentious" when she gets angry.

I have not shown these results to Mary Ellen, but I plan to mention them briefly over breakfast tomorrow. No, wait—she won't have time to look at them. Tomorrow's the day she washes her hair.

*Dick Wolfstie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Paper of Montgomery County. E-mail Dick at Wolfstie@aol.com.*

## St. Michael's Strawberry Festival on Noblesville Square, June 18th

It's Strawberry Shortcake time again. St. Michael's Episcopal Church is hosting its 44th annual Strawberry Festival on the Noblesville Square from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 18, (while supplies last). They will be joined on the Square by the Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire and a Noblesville Juneteenth event.

The Strawberry Festival is a Noblesville tradition, bringing families and friends back each year for homemade shortcake topped with strawberries, ice cream, and whipped topping. Profits are donated to local non-profits as a way

for the patrons and the St. Michael's congregation to make a difference in the community. In 2021, the Strawberry Festival raised \$9,000 for Family Promise of Hamilton County.

"It's a real labor of love, and an opportunity for us to work together to support our neighbors," according to Rick Conner, Senior Warden. "St. Michael's is all about building community, through faith, fellowship, and giving back. There's something special about working side by side to make this event happen." St. Michael's also has a donation garden at the

church, providing fresh produce each week to the White River Food Pantry. This Strawberry Festival is held in conjunction with the Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire, featuring local artisans, makers and crafts. This year, more than 70 makers and artists will showcase their wares. The Juneteenth Celebration will include educational activities, music, and entertainment brought to you by local inclusion and equity groups in the region. The entire Downtown Square will be filled with activity and celebration, bringing the community together for a very special day.

### News Briefs

**Make plans to attend Wayne-Fall Lions Club's Fundraiser Rummage Sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 18 at Wayne-Fall Lions Club, in partnership with Bridge**

**of Hope Church. Special \$5 per bag sale 2:30-5:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Lions Club. Donations are being accepted, including clothing in good repair, now through June**

**15. Contact Debbie at 317-441-3964 to arrange for donation drop-off or possible pickup of donations. Lions Club is at 11940 E. 191st St., Noblesville.**

### Meeting Notice

**TriCo Regional Sewer Utility**  
TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a joint Board of Trustees/Personnel and Benefits Committee meeting, Monday, June 13, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. at 7236 Mayflower

Park Drive, Zionsville, IN 46077. TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a Board of Trustees meeting Monday, June 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville, IN 46077.

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Thanks for reading The Times, Hamilton County!

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**Missing Notice**  
The Office of Public Information, Hamilton County, Indiana, is seeking information regarding the whereabouts of the following individuals who are missing from the Hamilton County Jail. If you have any information regarding the whereabouts of any of the following individuals, please contact the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office at (317) 773-9960. The following individuals are missing from the Hamilton County Jail: [List of names and details].

**HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners will hold a public meeting on Monday, June 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners Conference Room, 11940 E. 191st St., Noblesville, IN 46077. The meeting will be held in accordance with the provisions of the Indiana Open Door Law. The agenda for the meeting includes: [List of agenda items].

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## Noblesville Lions Club Pork Chop and Chicken Dinner Weekend a Total Success

Lions Gordon and Joannie Restler chaired this event this year, and it was a successful event. Most of the Lion Club membership were involved in this event. The Noblesville High School Leos Club, and their sponsor Lion John Smith, also helped with the afternoon

activities. Some expenses are still coming in, and it looks like the club will finish with around \$6,500 Net for the weekend. The Silent Auction brought in \$1,538. Having the chicken option this year was a success, as the club sold out of chicken. The



Photo courtesy of the Noblesville Lions

## Noblesville Lion Club President Promoting Pork Chop Dinner

The home of Noblesville Lions Club President, Bill Lynch, was decorated to promote

the past Pork Chop Dinner. The event was a success for the Lions Club.

## Senator Young, Senator Rosen Introduce Bill to Strengthen Cybersecurity for Medical Devices

U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.) and Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.) recently introduced their bipartisan Strengthening Cybersecurity for Medical Devices Act to require the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to review and update medical device cybersecurity guidelines and suggestions to ensure devices are protected from possible hacking and cyber attacks.

"Medical devices are increasingly connected to the Internet or other health care facility networks to provide features that improve the ability of health care providers to treat patients," said Senator Young. "Our bill helps ensure medical devices are protected from cyberattacks and used safely and securely



Senator Todd Young

in order to reduce risks and vulnerabilities for patients." "In light of increased cyber threats, we must strengthen the security of our health care system's cyber infrastructure," said Senator Rosen. "This bipartisan bill I introduced with Senator Young will ensure that



Photo courtesy of the Noblesville Lions

Lions Steve Show, Steve Morgan, and Gene Beck creating pancakes.



Photo courtesy of the Noblesville Lions

People lined up being served at Friday's lunch pancake breakfast on Saturday brought in around \$1,000. The Lions also provided hot dogs during

the duck race festivities. The Lions Club thanks the area citizens for their support.



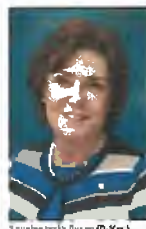
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Kate Baker (left) and Lion VP Kim Luckey

## Noblesville Lions Host Kate Baker

On Wednesday evening, the Noblesville Lions hosted Kate Baker, Noblesville Main Street Executive Director. Kate gave the club an outline of Main Street's activities and projects; and then answered many questions. After college, Kate spent time performing with the group "Up With People" and then 8 years in the entertainment industry in California.

After joining Main Street in October, 2021 she has been keeping busy. She mentioned that the Farmer's Market has over 100 vendors this past weekend was a success, and she appreciated the collaboration with the Boys and Girls Club and Lions Club. Her challenge is to continue to develop working with community partners.



Senator Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.)

medical devices and technologies are up to date with the latest cybersecurity and health care systems." The bipartisan Strengthening Cybersecurity for Medical Devices Act would require the FDA, in consultation with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency

(CISA), to review guidance for industry and FDA staff regarding medical device cybersecurity and make updates as appropriate at least every two years. This provision would ensure a more timely review to keep the guidance current. The bill also requires FDA to share information publicly regarding federal resources for health care professionals, medical device manufacturers, and health systems to identify and address cyber vulnerabilities, and access support. Additionally, the bill requires a GAO report examining medical device cybersecurity vulnerabilities and recommendations for improving federal coordination to support cybersecurity for medical devices.

### PUBLIC NOTICES

**CITY OF NOBLESVILLE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
 Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on the following matter:  
 By/At: City of Noblesville, Indiana  
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 Project: 22-222 City of Noblesville - Noblesville High School  
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 Date: Friday, June 10, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.  
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# Profiling Purdue's Indiana Football Hall of Fame Inductees, from A - L

Purdue's membership in the Indiana Football Hall of Fame is growing by three in 2022 with the election of former NFL players Bruce King and Kyle Orton along with the late Alex Yunevich.

The primary criteria for induction is contributing in a significant manner to the game of football in Indiana from the youth level to professional football.

**This week** we'll profile inductees whose names range from Adams to Letnich, Hall of Famers whose names begin with M through Z will be profiled next week.

**North Adams** - Four-year starter who came to Purdue from Hammond Clark High School. Adams played every minute of all 10 games in 1945 at halfback and defensive back. He was part of the only Purdue trio of running backs (Harry Szuborski, John Kerestes) to gain 100 yards in the same game, a victory over Marquette on Nov. 12, 1949.

**Mike Alstott** - The Joliet, Ill., native is Purdue's career rushing leader (3,635) and career touchdowns (42). Alstott played 12 seasons in the NFL with Tampa Bay.

**Otis Armstrong** - The Chicago native still holds Purdue single-game rushing record with 276 yards against Indiana in 1972. Rushed for 3,315 yards in three seasons as a Boilermaker. Big Ten MVP and All-American in 1972. Played eight seasons in the NFL with Denver.

**Mike Augustyniak** - Turned down by Indiana, Ball State, Indiana State and Saint Joseph's College after starring at Leo High School, Augustyniak went from walk-on to starting fullback on Purdue's Peach and Bluebonnet Bowl teams. He then played three seasons in the NFL with the New York Jets.

**Erich Barnes** - An All-State defensive back at Elkhart High School, Barnes was a three-year starter at end/defensive back for Purdue. He was a six-time Pro Bowl



**KENNY THOMPSON**  
columnist

cornerback during his 14-year NFL career with Chicago, the New York Giants and Cleveland.

**Tony Berto** - A three-year halfback/safety for Purdue following his service in World War II, the Clinton, Ind., native won a record 203 games as head football coach at Delphi High School.

**Darrel "Pete" Brewster** - The Portland, Ind., native didn't intend to play football at Purdue, having played the sport just one season in high school. Brewster, a basketball standout as well at Purdue, played nine seasons in the NFL and won two championships with the Cleveland Browns in 1954 and 1955. Brewster also is a member of the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame.

**Don Brumm** - An All-American defensive end, the Hammond native was a first-round draft pick of the St. Louis Cardinals in 1963. Brumm played nine seasons in the NFL.

**Elmer Burnham** - Coach of the undefeated 1943 Big Ten Conference champions, three of whom also went on to successful coaching careers: Hank Stram, Alex Agase and Bump Elliott.

**Bart Burrell** - The receiving half of Purdue's "Carmel Connection" with Mark Herrmann, Burrell caught 140 passes for 2,126 yards and 14 touchdowns.

**Frank Bykowski** - The South Bend Central graduate was Purdue football's MVP in 1939 and a College All-Star in 1940. Played with Pittsburgh in his lone NFL season (1940).

**Jim Carter** - One of Purdue's "Touchdown

Twins" in the 1930s with Duane Purvis, the Indianapolis Washington graduate rushed for 1,547 yards as a Boilermaker.

**Bill Combs** - Long before he became Purdue's team physician, the Lowell native was team MVP in 1941. Combs was honored in 1965 by Sports Illustrated, which selected a 26-man Silver Anniversary team. He played one season for the Philadelphia Eagles.

**Len Dawson** - "The Golden Boy" came from Alliance, Ohio to lead the NCAA with 15 touchdown passes in 1954. Dawson was the first player in Big Ten history to lead the conference in total offense and passing three consecutive years. The Pro Football Hall of Fame quarterback was MVP of Super Bowl IV.

**Bob DeMoss** - The patriarch of Purdue's Cradle of Quarterbacks was a four-year starter who gained national attention by leading the Boilermakers to victory at No. 4 Ohio State as a freshman in 1945. Played one season in the NFL before returning to serve as an assistant coach/head coach from 1950 to 1972.

**Boris "Babe" Dimancheff** - The running back from Indianapolis Washington transferred from Butler to Purdue just in time to play for the 1943 undefeated Big Ten champions. In two seasons Dimancheff rushed for 1,399 yards and was an All-American in 1944 after leading the conference with 12 touchdowns. He played seven seasons in the NFL.

**Ed Ehlers** - Also a member of the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame, the South Bend native held a rare distinction of being drafted by three pro teams in three different sports (Boston Celtics, Chicago Bears, New York Yankees).

**David Ellison** - An All-State player at Michigan City Elston, Ellison was chosen Purdue's Most Improved Player as a senior and played in the 1963 East-West Shrine Classic.

His Southwestern High School teams (now part of McCutcheon) never lost a conference game in Ellison's nine seasons (44-0-1).

**Jim Everett** - What's a nuan from Albuquerque, N.M., doing in the Indiana Football Hall of Fame? That's how good he was in a Purdue uniform. Everett's powerful throwing arm set numerous Purdue records as a two-year starter in 1984-85. With the Los Angeles Rams, Everett twice led the NFL in touchdown passes.

**Bernie Flowers** - Recruited to Purdue from Erie, Pa., Flowers was a three-year starter at end with 82 receptions for 1,015 yards and eight touchdowns. Earned All-American honors in 1952 after helping Purdue share Big Ten title. Played one season with the Baltimore Colts.

**Abe Giron** - Played two seasons at Purdue after transferring from Valparaiso in 1946. The Michigan City Elston product earned All-Big Ten honors as a guard before enjoying four Pro Bowl seasons with the Cleveland Browns from 1952-55.

**Bo Griese** - Arriving from Evansville Rex Mundi an unpolished passer, Griese developed into the Big Ten's Most Valuable Player in 1966 and All-American in 1965-66. Led the Miami Dolphins to two Super Bowl championships and earned a berth in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

**Bob Hadrick** - Somehow lured to West Lafayette from South Bend Washington in 1962, Hadrick was a three-time All-Big Ten selection as Griese's top receiver. Retired from the FBI after 27 years of service.

**Mark Herrmann** - Two-time All-State quarterback at Carmel, Herrmann led Purdue's turnaround in the late 1970s. Graduated as the NCAA's all-time passing yards leader (9,946) to go with 71 touchdowns. Most Valuable Player in Peach, Bluebonnet and Liberty bowl victories.

Played 11 seasons in the NFL with Denver, San Diego Chargers, Los Angeles Rams and Indianapolis Colts.

**Roy Horstmann** - An All-American fullback in 1932, the Mishawaka native played two seasons in the NFL for the Boston Redskins and Chicago Cardinals.

**Lou Karras** - Eldest of three brothers to play in the NFL (Alex, Ted), Karras was Purdue's MVP in 1949 following a stellar high school career at Gary Emerson, Karras, a defensive tackle, played for Washington from 1950 until a career-ending eye injury in 1952.

**Dustin Keller** - After leading the state with 114 receptions to go with 1,804 yards and 22 touchdowns in 2002, Keller made the short journey from Lafayette Jeff to Purdue. Converted to tight end, Keller would go on to be Purdue's Most Valuable Player as a senior.

A first-round draft pick by the New York Jets in 2008, a catastrophic knee injury ended his NFL career after five seasons.

**Leroy Keyes** - Voted Purdue's greatest player by Boilermaker fans, the Newport News, Va., product was an All-American in 1967 and 1968. Those same years he finished third and second, respectively, in the Heisman Trophy balloting. He left Purdue with 2,090 rushing yards and 1,204 receiving yards.

Played five seasons in the NFL with Philadelphia and Kansas City.

**Bruce King** - An All-State running back from Heritage Hills, King spurred Michigan and Ohio State to play at Purdue. King helped Purdue reach the Peach Bowl in 1984 before a three-year NFL career with Kansas City and Buffalo.

**Noble Kizer** - Old-time Purdue fans used to wonder what might have been if Kizer hadn't had to give up coaching in 1937 due to a kidney ailment that would kill him three years later at age 40. Kizer was a right guard under Knute

Rockne at Notre Dame before coming to Purdue as an assistant coach. Kizer went 42-13-3 with two Big Ten Conference titles.

**Glenn Knecht** - From being a center/fullback for the 1952 Big Ten Conference co-champions to mayor of Crawfordsville. Quite a journey for the Cincinnati native, who went 100-60-7 during his high school coaching career. Most of that time spent with Crawfordsville High School (1959-75) before becoming the city's mayor from 1976 to 1987.

**Joe Kodba** - The Yugoslavia native, via South Bend Washington, began his football career at Butler but played his final two seasons at Purdue after his discharge from the Army in 1945. A center, Kodba was a College All-Star before his lone pro football season with the Baltimore Colts of the All-America Football Conference in 1947.

**Steve Letnich** - A first-team All-State quarterback at Valparaiso High School, Letnich began his college career at Air Force before playing his final two seasons at Purdue. Letnich was used as a quarterback, wide receiver and punter, returned by coach Fred Akers.

**Lamar Lundy** - Before becoming the first African-American to receive a football scholarship to Purdue (1953), Lundy was a high school All-American in football and basketball at Richmond High School. Three-year starter at offensive and defensive end for the Boilermakers.

Only man in Purdue history to win MVP honors in football and basketball. Spent 13 seasons with the Los Angeles Rams as a member of the "Fearsome Foursome."

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## Senators Young, Brown Bipartisan Resolution Passes the Senate to Recognize the Work of Child and Youth Advocates Across the U.S.



Senator Todd Young

U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.) and Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio) announced the passage of their bipartisan resolution recognizing specially trained volunteers who advocate in courtrooms and other settings on behalf of child survivors of abuse, neglect, and abandonment, which passed the Senate at the end of May.

"The CASA Volunteers' Day Resolution honors Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) and Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) volunteers for their life-changing work with children experiencing abuse or neglect. This resolution recognizes June 6th as 'CASA/GAL Volunteers' Day'."

"Indiana is lucky to have CASA/GAL volunteers serving 88 Hoosier counties to give every child the opportunity to thrive. It's our job to make sure these volunteers are supported so they can continue to positively change the lives of our nation's most



Senator Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio)

vulnerable children," said Senator Young.

"Every young person deserves a safe and stable place to call home—and so many more have that home now, thanks to the work of Ohio's CASA/GAL volunteers. Even in the midst of a pandemic, volunteers in Ohio served almost 10,000 children last year and continue to play a vital role by helping protect and support foster youth every single day. We must honor them, and continue working to ensure they have the resources to uplift the voices and needs of children in their communities," said Senator Brown.

"We are grateful to Senators Sherrod Brown and Todd Young, as well as Representative Katie Porter, for their bipartisan support in recognizing today as the 2nd annual CASA/GAL Volunteer's Day through resolutions in the Senate and House. Together with our valued collaborator, Unbeliev-

ably Resilient, we seek to amplify the voices of youth with lived experience in the foster care system and hope that today people nationwide will have the chance to better understand the critical role a CASA/GAL volunteer plays in the lives of young people. We are proud to serve over half of the children and youth in foster care but aspire to reach every child in need of a CASA/GAL volunteer's services. As we celebrate 40 years of impact in 2022, we hope many more people will be inspired to join the ranks of almost one million volunteer advocates who have supported children and youth as they navigate dependency court and the child welfare system over the past four decades," said Tara Lisa Perry, CEO of the National CASA/GAL Association for Children.

Court Appointed Special Advocates and Guardians Ad Litem operate in 49 states and the District of Columbia. Their network includes 950 state and local programs that support more than 93,000 volunteers and 242,000 children.

In addition to Senators Young and Brown, the resolution was cosponsored by Senators James Lankford (R-Okla.), Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.), Michael Braun (R-Ind.), Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.), Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.), and Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa).

## Sens. Braun, Marshall Introduce Bill to Allow COVID Relief Funds to Be Used to Harden Schools



Senator Mike Braun

Yesterday, U.S. Senator Mike Braun joined Sen. Roger Marshall, M.D., and Representative Mike Garcia (CA-25) in introducing the Safe Schools Act, legislation to allow COVID relief dollars allocated to schools through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund to be used by schools to harden themselves with physical security measures, such as locks, panic buttons, individual room security systems, video surveillance, and hiring and paying the salaries of armed school resource officers. The legislation will exempt expenses for school security improvements from current ESSER guidelines that require expenses to be related to COVID-19. Senators Tim Scott, Thom Tillis, Steve Daines, Rick Scott, Chuck Grassley, Todd Young and Jerry Moran have cosponsored the legislation.

"Too often our schools are tragically viewed as 'soft targets.' The remaining 'COVID relief funds that have been largely unused or mismanaged would be well spent protecting our children by hardening



Senator Roger Marshall (R-Kan.)

schools and bolstering school security," said Senator Braun.

"While we made some progress in previous legislation to make our schools stronger, harder, and safer, certainly there is more that can and must be done immediately to protect kids," said Senator Marshall. "What happened in Uvalde was a horrific tragedy. While many have been quick to play politics, one thing we can all agree on is that Congress must act to harden schools. For these reasons, I am introducing this legislation that allows the abundance of unused COVID relief dollars to be allocated to secure schools in Kansas and throughout the nation."

"Now more than ever, we must be proactive in securing our schools. All Constitutional options need to be exhausted to ensure our children are safe in the classroom. I'm proud to join Senator Marshall in introducing the Safe Schools Act, a common-sense bill that would allow schools to spend leftover COVID relief funds on crucial security improvements to protect

students from harm," said Congressman Garcia.

Background:

• The Indiana Department of Education spent less than half of the funds awarded under the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund.

• Nationwide, of the \$189.5 billion of COVID money awarded under ESSER, State Education Agencies have yet to spend \$150.1 billion (79.2%).

• There were 67 disrupted plots against K-12 schools from 2006-2018 – 66% of the schools had no system for alerting officials to concerning or threatening.

• Recommendations from the Trump Administration's 2018, "Final Report of the Federal Commission on School Safety" included:

• School security strategies should use a layered approach that incorporates multiple, reinforcing echelons of policy, programs, and protective measures.

• Entry control measures limit the number of access points, allow access only to those who should be on the campus, and provide an opportunity to conduct searches of suspicious items or persons.

• Schools can implement security measures such as fencing, bollards, planters, curbs, or walls to create a single point of entry to the campus.

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• Depending on their construction, classroom doors can significantly delay or prevent an attacker from reaching individuals in a classroom.

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5. The next Shred Day will be 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. (or until trucks are full) Saturday at Hamilton County Household Hazardous Waste Center in Noblesville.

6. Noblesville Farmers Market is open for the season 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at Federal Hill Commons in downtown Noblesville. Parking is offered at the nearby Mexican restaurant that was torn down, at Blueberry Commerce, both just west of the park, and at the park's Green Room parking lot, which will be restricted to vendor spaces

at Simon Moon Park in Westfield with help from Westfield Fire Department.

9. Carousal Corner is open at Forest Park in Noblesville from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily through July 31, then weekends Aug. 6-Oct. 23, with 52 carousel rides and 53 mini golf.

10. Roy Reynolds, known for his Elvis tribute, will sing from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Noblesville Jim Dandy.

11. Concerto at the Commons kick off 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. this Saturday and continue select Saturdays through September at Federal Hill Commons. Concert schedule: June 11, Southern Accents; June 18, The Tilted; June 25, R.E.O. Survivor (R.E.O. Spectacular Tribute) and Acle; July 9, 16 Carats (8th variety) and Roush; July 23, Britbeat (8th variety) and Rino

Westfield and 8:30 a.m. the first Wednesday, through June at Strawtown Kotex Park in Noblesville.

13. Shine up your Ferrari for the 19th annual Ferrari Festival from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday on the east side of the Courthouse Square in downtown Noblesville. Enjoy an authentic Italian lunch buffet, for \$45 per person, with a glass of sparkling wine, as well as reserved parking in front of Matteo's Ristorante Italiano, with reservations at 317-774-9771.

14. Sign up for a Book Signing of "When the Hart Speaks" by Janet Hart, 4-5:30 p.m. Sunday at Thistle & Thyme Home Store in downtown Noblesville.

15. Hamilton County Art Association's annual Kids Art Camp, morning and afternoon sessions, June 13-16, HCCA's Birdie Gallery

17. Bring your favorite vinyl to play on a provided turntable at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday nights at Prince of Peace in downtown Noblesville.

18. Noblesville Parks' Summer Concert Series kicked off Thursday with Endless Summer Band and continues Thursday at Dillon Park in Noblesville. Here's the schedule: June 16, Comic Situation; June 23, The Big 80s Band; June 30, Roughhouse Jody; July 14, Toy Factory; and July 21, Dave & Rae.

19. Bring your family to the Tug-a-Truck event, open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 17 at Grand Park in Westfield.

20. Join Hamilton County Parks & Recreation on the lawn at Cool Creek Park for the Kick-off of the Cool Creek Concert Series, at 7 p.m. select Friday, with 55 admission, free to ages 18 and young-



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ing in good repair, now through June 15. Contact Debbie at 317-441-3964 to arrange for donation drop-off or possible pickup of donations. Lion Club is at 11400 E. 19th St., Noblesville.

22. Join the teams of Reggie's Motorworks and Pacted for School for an annual open house and car show from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 18 at Noble Auto Service on South 10th Street in Noblesville. Just a \$10 entry for vehicles open to Pacted for School, spectators free.

23. It's Strawberry Shortcake time, and St. Michael's Episcopal Church is playing host to its 44th annual Strawberry Festival on the Noblesville Square from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 18. The event is coordinated with Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire and a Noblesville Juneteenth event. The Strawberry Festival offers homemade shortcake topped with strawberries, ice cream, and whipped cream. Profits are donated to local nonprofits. The Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire will feature local artists, makers and crafts. The Juneteenth Celebration will include educational activities, music, and entertainment brought to you by local inclusion and equity groups in the region.

24. Legacy Keepers Movie Licks off the annual String Time on the Square Courthouse Concert Series at 3:30 p.m. on June 18 in downtown Noblesville. The free, family-friendly, low-chair friendly, bluegrass concert is a tradition that this year moves to the northwest

corner of the Square; 25. Bring your dog or see out to the annual Father's Day Car Show at Forest Park, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 19, with \$10 entry for vehicles, free to spectators. All on grass and mostly in the shade, with food, restrooms and all proceeds to benefit brain-injured children and Normal Life of Sheridan residential facility.

26. Westfield continues its Movies in the Plaza series at dusk June 20, featuring "PAW Patrol the Movie" on the Great Lawn at Grand Junction Plaza, with more movies every fourth Friday through October.

27. The Belthy Theatre presents "Drinking Habits" June 24-July 3 at Ivy Tech Hamilton County in Noblesville, with Nancy Lafferty directing, with reservations at [belthytheatre.org](http://belthytheatre.org).

28. Enjoy pancakes and airplanes during a Noblesville Chapter of Empire State Chapter of the National Aeronautics Association's Fly-In and Breakfast 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. June 25 at Noblesville Airport, with free admission and donation for breakfast.

29. Experience Indiana's rural landscape with a ride on the Nickel Plate Express Caboose Ride, June 25-July 30.

30. Hamilton County Parks' Kotex Park Artwork Adventure (Edge, Adventure), K-Trial Equestrian Adventure, Kotex Park Ranger Sport & Target Archery Center and Kotex Lake are all open for the season.

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and handicapped parking only during the weekly market.

7. Conner Prairie and the Fishers Arts Council welcome guests Saturday to a beautiful afternoon outdoor event for Art on the Prairie. Browne and she the creations of local artists and artists, enjoy live music, and more from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

8. Beat the heat during Simon Summer Bleeding from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

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in Noblesville, \$45 each. Grades 1-4, reservations call Karen Feir at (317) 896-3754 or email [karenfeir@gmail.com](mailto:karenfeir@gmail.com).

Concert schedule: June 17, The Flying Tronster; June 24, Flegwood Gold; July 1, Toy Factory; July 15, The Vandy Vackys featuring Josh Kaufman; July 22, Stella Luna and The Scallions; Aug. 5, 457PM.

21. Make plans to attend Wayne-Fall Lion Club's Fundraiser Rummage Sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 18 at Wayne-Fall Lion Club, in partnership with Bridge of Hope Church. Special \$5 per bag sale 2:30-3:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Lion Club. Donations are being accepted, including cloth-

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## VIDEOBOARD From Page A1

installed this past spring, is believed to be the largest of its kind at an outdoor aquatic center in the country. The videoboard measures 31 feet long by 12.5 feet tall and is positioned 15' off the ground.

The new videoboard will serve as a scoreboard for swimming, diving and water polo competitions. It will also allow for enhanced daily programming including "Fit & Fun" events where movies will be shown.

Greg Conner, President of The Friends of Central Park, the not-for-profit entity that has operated the facility since 1997, stated, "We're beyond excited about this new videoboard and everything it will bring to our community. It will allow us to host future national and international competitions that will draw thousands of visitors to Noblesville. During the

summer season it does not get dark until after 9:30 p.m., which is not an ideal time to bring your family out to watch a movie in the pool. This amenity will allow us to show movies during the daytime which is something no other outdoor pool in central Indiana can do. This is truly a game changer for us!"

The new videoboard was 100% financed through private contributions. "I can't say enough about the support we have received from the community to make this project happen," said Conner. "We've received so many extremely generous gifts from both corporations as well as individuals and families." The site and civil engineering work was provided by Indianapolis-based American Structures. Bogertown's Best Construction completed

the concrete foundations. The videoboard's steel structure was fabricated and installed by Fishers-based Sign Craft Industries. Noblesville's Gaylor Electric completed all the electrical and networking wiring. The actual LED videoboard itself was provided by California-based Vivid LED.

Noblesville Mayor, Chris Jensen added, "Our City is extremely fortunate to have such an incredible amenity in the Forest Park Aquatic Center. This amazing videoboard further enhances what is already an amazing facility. I can't compliment enough the work the Friends of Central Park have done over the past 25 years preserving and enhancing the Forest Park Aquatic Center." The Forest Park Aquatic Center opened on June 18, 1997 and is located at

1077 Cicero Road, Noblesville, IN 46061. The facility is one of the largest outdoor competition swimming and diving facilities in the Midwest. The competition pool can be configured to feature ten 50-meter long swimming lanes as well as twenty-two 25 yard long swimming lanes. The facility is one of the only remaining outdoor facilities in the Midwest to have Olympic regulation diving platform.

The facility also has a large water slide, climbing wall, AquaZip-N basketball goal, splashpad and zero entry toddler pool.

In 1997 the not-for-profit group, The Friends of Central Park was formed to operate the facility on behalf of the City of Noblesville. The relationship has proved to be an incredibly successful public/private relationship.

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through Labor Day. Splash pad features can be activated using the hand or foot activation panels. Click here for splash pad safety and FAQs.

**Pickleball courts:** The park sports four outdoor pickleball courts that will be open from sunrise to sunset. Play is first come, first serve and there is no charge to use the courts.

**Boardwalk & restored wetlands:** The two new shelters will be available for rent beginning in 2023.

**Meadowlark Park:** Located west of the Monon Greenway and Arts & Main Street, Meadowlark Park is a hidden gem that is destined to become a popular destination in the core of the city. While portions of the park remain under construction, some of the most exciting features are now open for the public to enjoy, including all-new playground equipment, pickleball courts, an accessible boardwalk, year-round restrooms, picnic shelters, and an expanded parking lot.

**Reimagined play experience:** The new "tree-tastic" play ground equipment accommodates play for ages 2-12. With cues from the natural surroundings, the custom-designed play

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Diana Schabally



Tony Cook



Chuck Goodrich



Chris Jeter

on scheduling a special session, so we can return to the Statehouse and do what's right by Hoosiers," said House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers).

"As D.C. Democrats continue to drive our national debt and inflation through the roof, taxpayers deserve some much-needed relief. House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) and I look forward to joining my fellow legislators to do just that," said State Rep. Tony Cook (R-Clermont).

"Because Indiana continues living within its means, paying down debt and wisely investing in our state's future, we are in a strong economic position to issue another taxpayer

refund. We have a strong record of giving Hoosiers back their money, and I support the governor's call for a special session to provide inflation relief," said State Rep. Chuck Goodrich (R-Noblesville).

"Despite failed Democratic policies at the federal level, our state's economy is running strong and revenue continues to surpass our expectations. Indiana's incredible fiscal health puts us in a position to help everyday Hoosiers who are struggling under the weight of record inflation and gas prices," said State Rep. Chris Jeter (R-Fishers). "Our state has a strong reputation for not spending more than we take in while still funding essential services, and now we're in

a position to return more money back to Hoosiers who earned it. I support the governor's call for a special session to provide inflation relief to all Hoosier taxpayers," said State Rep. Diana Schabally (R-Carmel).

"We have a long track record of returning money to taxpayers. This year, we passed a \$1 billion tax-cut package to lower income, asset and utility costs. We also returned \$545 million through an automatic taxpayer relief bill. I look forward to working with my colleagues to make sure we provide relief, especially as Hoosiers continue to feel the squeeze at the grocery store, gas pump and beyond," said State Rep. Jerry Tier (R-Carmel).

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residents to notify the police department on incidents that may negatively impact the community. This will allow the Noblesville Police Department to direct patrols in specific problem areas as well as assist residents with getting a report for insurance and reimbursement purposes. "Online incidents will be handled and investigated like issues reported if a police officer had responded to your residence or business and

could result in follow-up contact from the police department. The goal is to make this more accessible for the public," Mann said.

Once the report is submitted through the portal, an officer will review the information and complete the report or contact the submitter directly if more information is needed. For more information or to submit a report online, visit [www.cityofnoblesville.org/online-reporting](http://www.cityofnoblesville.org/online-reporting).

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## Hoosier Net To Create Statewide Fiber Network In Indiana

Hoosier Net, LLC, a consortium of service providers, announces its formation today. Hoosier Net is set to launch a multi-year, multi-million-dollar network across Indiana to boost capacity, internet access, and reliability. The company's formation comes at a critical time for Indiana, as federal and state authorities prepare to distribute billions of dollars in broadband grant funds under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act's Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program.

"Having statewide connectivity is critical for economic development because it allows broadband providers to offer faster speeds, more bandwidth, and lower latency, which will truly benefit Indiana," said Scott Hirt, Hoosier Net Board Member and CEO of Ninestar Connect.

Hoosier Net will attain statewide scale and enable broadband development by leveraging integrated and complementary assets. "Hoosier Net and its current owner-member fiber systems span thousands of miles across Indiana, and they are well-positioned to enable the expansion and extension of Indiana middle-mile infrastructure to lower the cost of connecting unserved and underserved areas," said John Greene, Chairman of Hoosier Net, LLC and CEO of New Lisbon Telephone Company.

Hoosier Net will focus on offering high-speed fiber-optic backbone capabilities to owners, telecommunications providers, and direct commercial clients such as hospitals, schools, and government institutions. "As a middle-mile network that connects 27 ISPs in Ohio, Independent Fiber Network is pleased about investing and working with Indiana Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs) and Rural Electric Membership Corporations (REMCs) to develop Hoosier Net," said Rob Shema, CEO of Hoosier Net and CNI. "Being in Western Ohio, we see the need to reach beyond state lines and develop a regional network to support educational institutions, businesses, and surrounding communities, all of which would benefit

from Hoosier Net's increased speed, bandwidth, and reduced latency."

The Indiana fiber network will partner with INDATTEL, a national network dedicated to providing fiber-optic telecommunications services in rural and urban areas. "INDATTEL provides us with the competitive advantage we require, whether buying or selling transportation. It is the common link that provides Hoosier Net - and its member firms - with access to fiber that allows us to build our business," said Dave Fox, Hoosier Net Board Member and General Manager of Sweetser Telephone Company. "We are glad to see that most Indiana Local Exchange Telephone Companies are re-establishing a statewide network in Indiana and will engage with us," said Mel Wagner Jr., CEO of INDATTEL Services.

"We're thrilled to be working with Hoosier Net to help them monetize and grow their network." New Paris Telephone, a member of Hoosier Net, serves a highly competitive fiber IP market. "We sell and buy IP transport of all types. INDATTEL helps our customers connect to branch locations across the country. Indigital - an affiliated public safety company - creates complex, highly reliable networks in multiple states and relies on local fiber networks to make that happen," said Mark Grady, Hoosier Net Board Member and CEO of New Paris Telephone and Indigital.

Hoosier Net's Executive Committee has decades of combined industry expertise," said Tim Miles, Hoosier Net Board Member and Fiberhawk CEO. "I'm excited for Hoosier Net's member-owners and this leadership team's continued efforts to bring new and specialized solutions to our customers." "As a founding member of Hoosier Net, I am happy about the company's progress and look forward to maintaining that success with the Executive Committee as we create our growth and expansion goals," said Tony Clark, Vice Chairman of Hoosier Net and CEO of SEI Communications. "It's a fantastic group."

INDATTEL Services provides fiber connectivity utilizing its unique independent member-owned network. INDATTEL's members represent more than 400,000+ fiber optic route miles and over 1.5 million serviceable buildings primarily focused on rural and suburban America. INDATTEL serves its customers through its national aggregation PoPs, reaching over 700 independent providers currently operating in 47 states. For more information about INDATTEL Services, visit [www.indatell.com](http://www.indatell.com).

Hoosier Net, LLC's founding companies, are Central Indiana Communications, Inc., Citizens Telephone Corporation, Craigville Telephone Company, Inc., Davises-Martin County Rural Telephone Corp., d/b/a RTC Communications, Geetingsville Telephone Company, Inc., Hoosier Net Holdings, LLC, Moron Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc., Mulberry Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc., New Lisbon Broadband and Communications, LLC, New Paris Telephone, Inc., Perry Spencer Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Pulaski-White Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., d/b/a LightStream, Rochester Telephone Company Inc., SEI Data, Inc., d/b/a SEI Communications, Swayze Telephone Company, Inc., d/b/a Fiberhawk, The Northwestern Indiana Telephone Company, Inc., d/b/a NITCO, and The Sweetser Rural Telephone Company, Inc.

Hoosier Net is owned by 17 service providers that offer state-of-the-art services in their respective communities. Hoosier Net's fiber-optic backbone services are available to telecom operators and direct commercial customers. Hoosier Net and its owners are responsible for thousands of miles of fiber-optic network across Indiana. Hoosier Net also provides commercial service throughout the United States through INDATTEL. Visit [www.hoosier.net](http://www.hoosier.net) or email [sales@hoosier.net](mailto:sales@hoosier.net) for additional information.

## More Than \$225,000 Still Available In Energy Bill Assistance For Duke Energy Indiana Customers

More than \$225,000 in financial assistance is still available to Duke Energy Indiana customers who may be struggling to pay their energy bills.

"Hoosiers are paying more at the grocery store and gas pump and may also be noticing higher energy bills, as rising fuel costs impact the price of electricity," said Stan Pinegar, president of Duke Energy Indiana. "We know that higher bills can be a hardship for many, and we want to connect our customers with financial assistance and resources to help. So far this year, we have been able to support approximately 450 households with more than \$100,000 in assistance."

The funding is made possible through Duke Energy's Share the Light Fund, which brings together customers and communities to help individuals and families struggling to pay their energy bills. Duke Energy works in partnership with the Indiana Community Action Association to distribute the company's assistance funds.

Qualifying Duke Energy customers who are struggling to pay their electricity bills can receive up to a \$300 credit annually on their account. Customers should contact their local community action agency to take advantage of funds available locally.

Duke Energy offers a number of tools and resources to help customers take control of their energy use and save money. To learn more about these programs, visit [duke-energy.com/HereToHelp](http://duke-energy.com/HereToHelp).

Duke Energy Indiana, a subsidiary of Duke Energy, provides about 6,300 megawatts of owned electric capacity to ap-

proximately 870,000 customers in a 23,000-square-mile service area, making it Indiana's largest electric supplier.

Duke Energy (NYSE: DUK), a Fortune 150 company headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., is one of America's largest energy holding companies. Its electric utilities serve 8.2 million customers in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, and collectively own 50,000 megawatts of energy capacity. Its natural gas unit serves 1.6 million customers in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio and Kentucky. The company employs 28,000 people.

Duke Energy is executing an aggressive clean energy transition to achieve its goals of net-zero methane emissions from its natural gas business and at least a 50% carbon reduction from electric generation by 2030 and net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. The 2050 net-zero goals also include Scope 2 and certain Scope 3 emissions. In addition, the company is investing in major electric grid enhancements and energy storage, and exploring zero-emission power generation technologies such as hydrogen and advanced nuclear.

Duke Energy was named to Fortune's 2022 "World's Most Admired Companies" list and Forbes' "America's Best Employers" list. More information is available at [duke-energy.com](http://duke-energy.com). The Duke Energy News Center contains news releases, fact sheets, photos and videos. Duke Energy's illumination features stories about people, institutions, community topics and environmental issues. Follow Duke Energy on Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram and Facebook.

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## While Argument Rages, Innocents Die

I have written several times about school shootings in the past. If there is a more heinous crime in today's world, I do not know what it is — and that's saying something.

What I fail to understand is the outcry every time for more gun control laws.

STOP! Before you take me behind the woodshed for being another gun-rights activist, please understand I am not.

I haven't fired a gun in decades. I am not a member of the NRA. My point is not about how America will be a better place with guns — or without. I do have some views on that, but could we save that argument for another day so we don't confuse the issue?

The issue is what's wrong with our society?

The issue is how far we have fallen from the nation that didn't see the slaughter of innocent children as often as we do today.

The issue is stronger prison sentences, even death penalties. The issue is a lack of discipline in the home — and how can you blame mom and dad for not spanking their kids when they fear some sort of consequences from some governmental alphabet agency somewhere.

The issue is the degradation



**TIM TIMMONS**  
Sagamore News Media CEO

of our society.

Here's a question for you: If we eliminate guns, will that eliminate the killing of children? I think not. Sick people are sick people. If it's not a gun it'll be something else.

Disagree? Then shouldn't we be doing away with cars to stop drunk driving and prevent murders from running people over on purpose? Do you hear anyone suggesting that?

For God's sake, we keep talking about the method and not the reason behind it.

Truth to tell, there are plenty of answers, but we don't seem to have the will, or perhaps the stomach, to implement them. The government could indeed help the family unit get stronger. How? Change taxes, change a lot of things so that

every household doesn't have to have two incomes. Maybe give tax credits for one parent being a full-time homemaker.

And I'm sick of politicians telling us they can't do something. They seem to have found ways to hold office for decades and increase their personal wealth at the same time. They have helped create tax laws that take up volumes and are so complicated not even they understand them. If those hired hands wanted to give the family a true tax break, they could figure it out.

What else? Bring the churches back into the fold. Stop outlawing the mention of God in our schools.

Speaking of schools, give teachers the authority to discipline without fear of being sued.

Lastly, change the damn laws. If someone wants to do something wrong, make the penalty a true deterrent.

Look, I have never claimed to be the smartest guy in the room. But there are some things painfully obvious here.

We (and I don't care if you have been part of the following or not — last I looked "we" are still all Americans and supposedly on the same team) have been calling for the defunding of police for a few years now. We have become so soft as a

nation that you can't tell someone they're wrong or disagree without the risk of sending them into counseling. We have lowered standards left and right to the point where people don't have to work hard to achieve anything anymore. And when they fall short, the government bails them out.

We have turned into a nation foolishly chasing utopia. We let the exceptions guide us while leaving the majority out of consideration. If there is one act of police brutality, mayors in metropolitan cities from one coast to another call for defunding the police. If one gay person is discriminated against, there's a national outcry on the 6 o'clock news.

If we're all being honest, we can agree that in a perfect world there would be no such thing as police brutality, racism and bias. In a perfect world, I would weigh 225 and have 5 percent body fat. In a perfect world, I'd be laying on a beach and you'd be reading someone else's work right now. But you know what?

It ain't a perfect world. Idiots will be idiots. Bigots will be bigots. Perhaps we can influence a few to grow in their humanity, but we'll never change them all.

We all know that, yet we all keep going down the same path

of letting the exception rule the day.

Let's get back to the current argument. The left screams to eliminate guns — yet anybody want to bet what security guards for the Hollywood elite carry under their blazer? Conservatives scream that the right to bear arms can't even be discussed or the whole country will fall apart.

Do any of them look for common ground? Do any of them acknowledge that both sides have some valid points? Are any of them looking for real answers, or just for their side to win? Do any of them stop to consider that while they spend all their time making political statements and grandstanding more kids have died?

ENOUGH! A friend sent me an e-mail the other day with a simple message: We are no longer accepting things we cannot change. It is now time to change the things we cannot accept.

It's well past time. But what are we going to do about it?

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## Pondering Weighty Matters

His warning shattered the pre-dawn tranquility. I couldn't see him, but his cry blasted through the fading fog like the air horn on an 18-wheeler, traveling too fast to stop in time for a red light.

"Wait!" he said. "Don't pull that handle!"

Too late. I had already squeezed the trigger at the end of the black hose leading to hundreds of gallons of what Phillips Petroleum calls their "Performance Gasoline." Now, a translucent stream of fuel was rushing into my tank with a cavernous echo.

"He's right," said another voice to the left, approaching me out of the mist. "You're not going to get your money's worth at that pump. It's going to cost you nearly 15.3 cents more to fill up there."

Joe, the source of the first voice, stepped from behind the gas pump that obscured him. "At least he's not getting premium, Robert," who nodded at his colleague's observation. "Premium is even worse."

Aside from the general feeling that I was standing in



**JOHN O. MARLOWE**  
The Good Sport

the middle of a Bob and Ray comedy sketch, I was curious. Who were these two greying gentlemen? Both seemed quite certain I was experiencing a form of highway robbery — as assuredly as if I had been clobbered over the head, and waylaid on the gas island, somewhere between the trash can and the receptacle that holds the murky water used for scrubbing windshields.

"We work for the county's Weights and Measures Division," said Joe. He began drawing a sample out of the pump.

I should have guessed. However, it's very seldom that I encounter anyone in county government that seems to enjoy their jobs as much as Joe and Robert. It's even more rare that I find anyone concerned that I was potentially overspending 15.3 cents.

"That's our job," said Joe. "We go from gas station to gas station measuring the performance of each pump on the premises. We make sure the pumps are calibrated correctly, to ensure the public is paying for exactly the amount of fuel they are pumping."

"These are machines," said Robert. "It's not unusual that through use they require adjusting. Sometimes the variance might be intentional, but more likely, the measurement is just off through lack of maintenance."

I watched as Joe now sampled the middle grade pump. He pulled the hose to the back of a trailer, hanging from the hitch

on the white county service truck. He started the flow, and the pump began to sing a low hum as the liquid reached its outlet.

"About five gallons is enough to get a good reading," said Joe.

I watched as the fuel snaked its way through the glass tubing on the centimeter tank of his rolling laboratory. His rig consisted of three giant stainless steel cauldrons glistening in the glint of the morning sunrise — one for each grade of fuel. They looked an awful lot like the tank on Helen Hunt's storm chaser truck in the movie Twister, if you'd add a funnel hat that Dorothy's Tin Man wore.

Joe turned some dials and leveled the trailer, then consulted a chart of numbers to account for the variation of gasoline density in different temperatures.

"Just what I thought," said Joe. "Go get the manager, Robert."

"He's with a customer right now."

"Remind him that we have the authority to shut down the whole station," said Joe, and

then said to me with a wry smile, "That's the part I like." By the time I walked back to my vehicle, Joe and Robert were packing up their equipment, and almost ready to roll. "Off to another gas station?" I asked.

"Nope," said Robert. "we are going to the high school. I learned that Weights and Measures in each county are responsible for the integrity of all kinds of measuring devices, including grain mills, scrap yards, fuel trucks — any gadget where consumers purchase a product sold by weight, measure, or count."

But the high school? "We are inspecting the scales the wrestlers use to weigh in."

"After that," said Robert, "we are going to the deli counter at Kroger's."

"You're kidding me," I said. "What if those scales don't pass inspection?"

"That's no baloney," said Joe.

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## Spreading The News

Whenever I read a newspaper article that begs to become the basis of my next humor column, I cut it out and save it. Then I forget where I put it. (I also do that with car titles, birth certificates, and my life insurance policy.) But here's one rich article I did find on my desktop...

In Boise, Idaho, police thought they might have solved a year-long condiment spree. Authorities say a 74-year-old woman was arrested after pouring mayonnaise in a library book drop box. She may be connected to nine other condiment-related crimes.

I should have sent the Boise police a thank-you note for practically writ-



ing my column for me. You could watch every old Twilight Zone episode, read every Sherlock Holmes short story ever written and see every Coen Brothers movie, and I'm telling you, the words "condiment-related crimes" are not going to pop up.

I'm basically an honest

guy, so I don't spend a lot of time thinking about what I would do if circumstances had led me to a life of crime. However, I've seen enough bad-guy movies to know that when you're looking for shifty ways to make a living, the answer does not lie in a select variety of sauces.

I resisted a childhood influence to be a crook. My mother was an unrepentant Sweet 'n Low thief, so I saw firsthand (and with slight of hand) how easy it was to score big at White Castle or Steak 'n Shake. Mom seemed like a very nice person to some people, but those close to her knew that her sweet disposition was artificial.

The woman who defied the books walked around with a back-puck that concealed her two sandwich spreads of choice. The police could not legally stop and search her without a warrant or they would have violated her fourth amendment rights. It's a pretty sad day when it's legal to own a Glock, but a squeeze bottle of mayonnaise is suspect. The woman accused the police of profiling her, but when she left a trail of Golden's Mustard packets behind her, it served as probable cause. She was once detained at an airport for having more than two ounces of vinaigrette in her carry-on. She tried to avoid trouble by flirting

with the TIA agents, but she was then arrested for being too saucy.

Pouring mayo down a book slot at a library is a serious offense, but judges should be able to use discretion in sentencing. Hellmann's on Hemingway is clearly a punishable crime, but mustard on Mein Kampf? Any judge worth his salt should overlook that breach.

Other than mayo in the return slot, the police were reluctant to reveal the other nine condiment capers she committed — for fear, I suppose, that a wave of food-topping, copy-cat crimes would sprinkle the country. The woman did not use Worcestershire sauce

during the commission of any felonies. The folks at Lea & Perrins could capitalize on this. Since their product is high in sodium, they could brag about how low it is in crime rates.

The woman was released and put on probation. The judge thought she might be a flight risk, and sure enough, at last report she was on the lam. I bet she had some mint jelly in her purse.

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## Ask Rusty – Can My In-laws Get Supplemental Security Income?

**Dear Rusty:** I am wondering what the income limit is for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility. My in-laws are in their 70's, both drawing Social Security, and each has a pension from jobs they retired from. I am wondering if they are eligible to collect SSI. They have income from all sources that is over \$2100 per month, they are on Medicaid, but they have no savings and few assets. I have been told by a random family member that they are eligible for SSI, but with their income I have my doubts. All of my online hunt and peek research has made this as clear as mud. Any insight you can offer would be



**ASK RUSTY**  
Social Security Advisor

greatly appreciated.  
*Signed: Helpful Daughter-in-Law*

**Dear Helpful Daughter-in-Law:** Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a separate (non-Social Security) federal supplemental assistance program for low income seniors over 65 and for disabled or blind people

### Social Security Matters by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor

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of any age, but there are income limitations to qualify for SSI benefits and restrictions on assets as well. Overall eligibility requirements for SSI are quite complex, especially for those with earnings from working (it's also notable that only legal US residents can get SSI). Although some types of income

and assets are not counted, only those with very low countable income and very few countable assets can get SSI assistance. Countable income must be less than the federal SSI benefit amount for federal SSI benefits to be paid. If your in-law's current countable income is over \$2100 per month, that alone may

disqualify them for SSI because their countable income is more than the federal SSI benefit of \$841 per individual, or \$1261 per couple.

As mentioned, some types of income aren't countable, but pensions and Social Security benefits do count (after a small \$20 exclusion). So if most or all of your in-law's monthly income is from those two sources, they almost certainly won't be eligible for additional assistance through SSI. Something else to be aware of is that any SSI benefit they might be eligible for would be offset by their Social Security payment, so if each of their individual Social Security payments are more than \$841/month, then there

would be no additional benefit from the SSI program. Here is a link at which an explanation of what types of income count, and don't count, toward the SSI income limitation: [www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-income-usa.htm](http://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-income-usa.htm).

From the information you've shared about their current Social Security and individual pension benefits, it does not appear that your in-laws will be able to gain any additional benefit from the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. The income restrictions for Medicaid eligibility are more generous and, since they're in their 70s, your in-laws are obviously both on Medicare as well to help with their healthcare expenses.

## Congress Is Going After the Alleged Price Gougers – Again

By Dr. Mark W. Hendrickson

As Yogi Berra, baseball's preeminent wit and philosopher, would say, "It's déjà vu all over again." Fifteen years ago, I wrote in this space about an attempt by Congress to impose additional taxes on oil companies at a time of high gasoline prices. Last Thursday, the U.S. House of Representatives did it again. It passed "The Consumer Fuel Price Gouging Prevention Act" by a vote of 217-207. Four Democrats and every Republican voted against the bill. The bill would empower the federal government – specifically, the Federal Trade Commission – to fine oil companies if they increase prices in an "excessive" or "exploitative" way (without, in typical congressional vagueness, bothering to define what constitutes "excessive" or "exploitative"). It is sad that members of Congress who voted

for this bill are raging against oil companies when what is really causing the problem is the inexorable economic law of supply and demand. Gasoline prices are uncomfortably high now, not because oil companies are headed by unusually greedy individuals, but because supply is not keeping up with demand. Consider, if you will, another big market in the U.S. economy – the housing market. The media are full of reports of soaring prices for houses in various parts of the country, often explaining that the price explosion is because supply is not keeping up with demand. What would you think of a federal law imposing a tax on homeowners who take advantage of current market conditions to sell their house for what would have been considered a ridiculously high price just a year ago? You would rebel in righteous

indignation, I hope. After all, it is your house, your property, and you should be free to sell it at whatever price you can get in the marketplace. Are homeowners who are receiving top dollar for their houses behaving "exploitatively"? Of course not. That is just the way the real estate market is right now. How is that different from what is happening in the oil market? It isn't different at all; it's simply the law of supply and demand at work. The only difference is that some members of Congress believe they can get away with taxing oil companies, whom they routinely denigrate, while they know that if they tried to tax homeowners on windfall profits derived from the sale of their homes, they would be voted out of office. One tactic that the anti-price gouging crowd in Congress is employing against oil companies is to

accuse them of deliberately keeping production low and supplies tight. Rep. Katie Porter (D-CA), one of the co-sponsors of the fuel price gouging bill, asserted, "Big Oil is threatening our entire economy by keeping supply low and jacking up prices at the pump." Similarly, Rep. Frank Pallone (D-NJ), the chair of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, said, "The problem is Big Oil is keeping supply artificially low so prices and profits stay high." In the first place, nobody has the right to dictate to a business how much they should produce (well, not in a free-market system based on property rights; under socialism, government does in fact issue such commands). But what makes blaming oil companies for cramped supplies so offensive here is that the Biden administration is in the forefront of efforts to curtail the

production of oil. I wrote twice last year (here and here) about specific anti-oil production policies that the Biden administration has adopted, and those policies haven't changed a bit. In fact, just a few days before Rep. Porter and Pallone tried to blame oil companies for tight oil supplies, the administration canceled oil leases in the Gulf of Mexico and Cook Inlet. Existing leases are being held in regulatory purgatory by bureaucrats refusing to approve a green light for actual production. A few days ago, Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) commented that 16 months after the Biden administration announced a pause on granting new oil exploration leases, "we still have no new leases," and, "it has become crystal clear that the 'pause' is in fact a ban." With President Biden accompanying his aggressive anti-fossil fuel

policies with equally aggressive rhetoric about sharply reducing, if not ending, Americans' consumption of fossil fuels within the next decade or so, one can understand why oil companies might be hesitant to spend billions to ramp up production. Why should they risk huge losses if that production is going to be shut down not too long from now? Without commenting on if or how fast the U.S. economy should shift from fossil fuels to various "green" modes of energy, the present question is whether the current government policy of imposing the production of oil is hurting us more than it is helping. What do you think?

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## More Mass Killings, What Is The Answer?

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Do parents in America want to spend every school day hoping and praying their children will not be heinously murdered? Do children want to spend their days constantly looking up to see who might be entering their room with an assault weapon? Do you want to walk the grocery store aisles wondering if someone has picked your store and this day to shoot at you? Do you enjoy sitting in a house of worship knowing that if a crazed gunman enters your location the exit doors are very few. Movie theatres are anticipating a major boost in attendance this summer. Can you go in peace knowing that your life could be in danger if someone enters with a



**GLENN MOLLETTE**  
Guest Columnist

semi-automatic weapon or an AR-15?

The list of possibilities is almost endless as restaurants, sporting events, concerts, shopping malls and more are targets of those who plot evil rampages against innocent people. Uvalde, Texas and Buffalo, New York are the recent locations of horrific killings of the very young

and elderly America people doing everyday life – going to school and buying groceries.

When will this happen at your school, grocery store, house of worship or any place else? At one time, Americans never imagined such horrors as many of us have lived to see. One mass shooting has led to another and another. Your school or church or whatever the event is must plan for an attack every time you gather. If we do not try to protect the people at such events and gatherings, then we are throwing caution to the wind and subjecting people we love to the possibilities of being killed.

What is the answer? The Buffalo grocery had an armed guard. This was

not enough for a gunman who had strategized and outgunned the security guard who gave his life trying to save others. One major problem is such an evil person has the element of surprise. They have surveyed the location. Innocent people are caught off guard. People may even be carrying weapons but might not even have the time to draw their weapon because the rapid fire of the attacker's weapon takes that person's life before he or she can reach for their weapon. What is the answer? Do we equip every teacher in America with a semi-automatic weapon? Should teachers and grocery store shoppers and ministers carry assault weapons at all times? Do you want to

put on your Sunday dress and then strap on your assault rifle so you might have a chance of defending yourself?

State and federal lawmakers continue to wrestle with what to do. One suggestion is to take away all the guns. This might be okay until Russia or China invades us and we all have to fight.

The local villain may find a way to order all the parts he needs online to assemble an assault weapon and you have no way to defend yourself. This possibility must be made illegal.

Evil finds a way to release hate and fulfill deranged fantasies. This does not mean we give up. Limiting assault weapons to people 25 and older,

strict background checks, waiting periods and licenses is possibilities. Limiting all gun purchases to people over 21 is another possibility. Eighteen-year-olds use guns in the military but are trained and strictly supervised.


Do Americans really need assault type weapons? Would we be willing to ban them if it would save an elementary school of children from a murderous rampage?


It's all too late for Uvalde, Texas families and so many more. State and federal government must make some real decisions. In the meantime, we have to protect ourselves.

Hear Glenn Mollette every weekday morning EST at 8:36 and 11:30 on XM radio channel 131

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Psalm 119:11 Thy word have  
I hid in mine heart, that I  
might not sin against thee.



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**What makes Bill Crask smile?** "My wife, Carla," said the 73-year-old Noblesville resident, who was found in 2021 showing his car at Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles 30th Fathers Day Car Show at Forest Park in Noblesville. He was sitting by his yellow and black 1968 Dodge Charger RT. "It's identical to the one I originally bought brand new in 1968." He bought this show car in 2008 after searching for a car just like the one he had. He recalled, "My first new car." He said his first car looked just like his current one. "It's identical to that," he said. Crask drives the car often. "We go out and cruise." He also has a 1963 Nova SuperSport convertible. At the car show, he was able to see a lot of friends and make a lot of new ones. He was born and raised in Noblesville and graduated in 1967 from Noblesville High School. "My parents were born and raised here. My grandparents were born and raised here. My great-grandparents on my mom's side were born and raised here." He has two brothers, Gary Crask, who writes books and his own screenplay, and Jim Crask, a retired school resource officer and police officer, who lives out of state. He and his wife have three kids and seven grandkids between them. After high school, he went to trade school and did an apprenticeship. He retired from American Heating Systems of which he was one of the co-owners. What else? He likes to golf. The 31st annual free Father's Day Car Show is 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Forest Park. Read more about the upcoming show in the Betsy Reason column in today's edition of The Times.

☛ **And Another Thing...**

The Senior Citizen Organization of Noblesville will hold a Bake Sale at the Farmers Market at Federal Hill. Comments from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on June 25. Members will be selling homemade cakes, cookies, candy, breads and other goodies, all reasonably priced. They will be set up in the grassy area at the east end of the public restroom building.

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Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles' 31st annual free Father's Day Car Show -- which annually features 200 cars and attracts thousands of people every year on this holiday honoring dads -- will be from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday under the big shade trees on the grass at Forest Park.

## It's All About Dad at Father's Day Car Show



**BETSY REASON**  
The Times Editor

When I think of Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles' Father's Day Car Show, I think of Dave Shank and Larry Grabb.

As long as the car club has been having car shows, they've been involved.

But it's not just about them, it's about all of the people who make this show a success at Forest Park in Noblesville.

"We just have a group of local car owners that pull together to make the event happen for our community and raise funds for The Elysian Foundation."

Shank said. "We are not big on who does what. We just all chip in when and where needed to make the event our gift to the community on Father's Day."

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Grabb, a charter member of

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## The Death of Benjamin Fisher

The only deadly encounter on record between Native Americans and Hamilton County's white settlers took place a little over 200 years ago in Strawtown. What sparked it wasn't a conflict over land, however, but rather justified outrage over a murderer going unpunished.

Unfortunately, the exact details of the incident were already growing murky over 100 years ago. In fact, T. B. Helm noted in his 1880 county history that "there are almost as many versions as there are people who have heard the circumstances narrated."

The basic facts are fairly



**PAULA DUNN**  
From Time to Thyme

solid, though.

One of Strawtown's earliest settlers was a man named John

(or maybe Philip -- more on that later) Shintaffer. Shintaffer operated a small trading post, primarily selling whiskey and buying furs. Most of his trade was with Indians because there were so few settlers in this area at that time.

In the early spring of 1821 one or two (accounts differ) well-lubricated Indians -- usually identified as Potawatomi -- got into an argument with the trader, accusing him of watering down the whiskey.

The hot-tempered Shintaffer reacted by tossing the Indian

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## The Daily Almanac



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### What Happened On This Day

- 1667 The first human blood transfusion is administered
- 1954 The Union of European Football Associations is founded
- 1977 Spain holds the first free elections since 1936



- Births On This Day**
- 1941 Harry Nilsson American singer-songwriter, musician
  - 1984 Tim Lincecum American baseball player

### Deaths On This Day

- 1849 James K. Polk American politician, 11th President of the United States
- 1996 Ella Fitzgerald American singer

### ☛ HONEST HOOSIER

Noblesville's own Indy 500 racer Bryan Clauson was born on this date in 1989 and passed away way too early just 27 years later. Rodeo to the many good folks who keep your memory alive!



### ☛ INSIDE TODAY

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### ☛ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

New babies should sleep on their backs or sides. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. Julie Roberts. Be sure to catch this column each week in the Times and online at [www.thetimes24-7.com](http://www.thetimes24-7.com).



### ☛ TODAY'S QUOTE

"Work hard for what you want because it won't come to you without a fight. You have to be strong and courageous and know that you can do anything you put your mind to. If somebody puts you down or criticizes you, just keep on believing in yourself and turn it into something positive."

Leah LaBelle

### ☛ OBITUARIES

Virginia Lee Hughes  
Janet Carson Siebma  
Betsy West

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



### ☛ TODAY'S JOKE

Why don't convicts take their own mugshots? Because then they'd be cellfish!



## OBITUARIES

### Janet Carson Sietsma

October 16, 1935 - May 31, 2022

Janet (nee Clifford) Carson Sietsma, 86, of Tampa, Florida, passed away on May 31, 2022, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Tampa.

She and her twin sister Janice Mae were born on October 16, 1935, in Hamilton County Hospital, Noblesville, to Luther Orlando Clifford and Esther May (Scherer) Clifford of Cicero.

Mrs. Sietsma went to Cicero Schools and graduated from Jackson Central High School with the Class of 1953. She attended Bethel Lutheran Church in Cicero.

She married John C. Carson on September 25, 1955, and in time they welcomed two children, John Ivan and Vera Ann.

They later divorced, and on June 8, 1978, Mrs. Sietsma married William (Bill) Sietsma.

She began her insurance career in Noblesville, at Hiatt & Ramsey Insurance and later at Charlie Howard Insurance. After moving to Florida in 1978, she was employed by Allstate Insurance, where she worked until retiring.

Although Mrs. Sietsma left Indiana, she never forgot her Hamilton County roots and cherished her family and lifelong friends in the state.

Survivors include her son John Ivan Carson of Clermont, Fla.; daughter Vera Ann Carson and partner Tim Jenkins of Buckeye, Ariz.; two sisters Mary C. Waltz of Arcadia and Carole K. Meyer of Fishers; and several nieces and nephews, many of whom live in Central Indiana.

She was preceded in death by husbands John and Bill; parents Luther O. and Esther M. Clifford; twin sister Janice M. Wiley; sister Martha J. Land; and brother Robert E. Clifford.

Per her wishes, there will be no public services. John and Vera have planned a special family gathering of remembrance in Indiana.

Memorial donations can be made in Mrs. Sietsma's name to the American Heart Association.

### Betsy Vest

October 25, 1961 - June 8, 2022

Betsy Vest, 60, passed away on June 8, 2022, in Anderson.

She was born October 25, 1961, in Noblesville, to Jimmie Males and Patricia (Leetens) Males.

Mrs. Vest was a graduate of Lapel High School. She retired from Juno Lighting in Fishers after several years. After retirement she worked at several restaurants as a server and bartender.

She was a member of the IBEW Local 481. Mrs. Vest attended Ford Street United Methodist Church. She was a member of the Lapel American Legion and a charter member of the Lapel Eagles. She enjoyed spending her winters in Florida and traveling.

Survivors include her husband David Vest of Anderson; two daughters Jessica (Chris) Ricci of Perkinsville and Kamesha King of Anderson; two stepchildren Amanda Bondand David (Sarah) Vest; six grandchildren Caitlyn, Sophia, Olivia and Kingston Ricci, Isabelle Swisher and Lilyann McDole; and four step-grandchildren Jacob and Mason Bond and Maddix and Novabryn Vest.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and sister Teresa (Males) Wilson.

A funeral service is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 1 p.m. at Ford Street United Methodist Church with Pastor Glenn Knepp officiating. Visitation is scheduled to run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday at the church.

Memorial donations can be made to Lapel American Legion, Lapel American Legion Riders or the Lapel Eagles.

Online condolences may be made at [hersbergerbozell.com](http://hersbergerbozell.com).

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### Virginia Lee Hughes

May 19, 1941 - June 12, 2022

With sadness and great love, the family of Virginia Lee Hughes announces her passing on June 12, 2022 at Five Star Residences of Clearwater in Indianapolis.

She was born on May 19, 1941 in Noblesville, to William and Peg (Carmack) Deppen.

Mrs. Hughes graduated from Jackson Central High School in 1959. Her future husband, John E. Hughes, was one year ahead of her at JCHS. They were married on August 25, 1963. They lived in Ohio while John was stationed at Lockbourne Air Force Base and then they returned home to Indiana, residing mostly in Noblesville. Together, they had a daughter, Peggy. Peggy married Steve Wood, who, it turns out, would be one of her favorite people. Mrs. Hughes was widowed when John passed away in 1996. There was never anyone to take his place.

She was a graduate of Indiana Business College. She served as an administrative assistant to several bank presidents, the Hamilton County Auditor, and the Hamilton County Engineer. Mrs. Hughes retired from Hamilton County in 2007 after 20 years of service. She also worked for Randall & Roberts as a greeter for 10+ years.

She loved watching Erin play basketball and then go on to coach the sport. She was thrilled to be a part of Erin and Glen's wedding and over the moon when great-granddaughter, Penny Lane, was born 10 months ago.

Mrs. Hughes was a Purdue fan and would often engage in playful banter over the Old Oaken Bucket contest with her many cream and crimson minded peers. She also looked forward to taking small trips with her friends. She was an active member of Union United Methodist Church where she helped lead the singing during worship. Her lifelong love of music was most evident in her long running commitment as a member of the Hamilton County Silvernotes, a part of the Indian Extension Homemakers. For many years, Mrs. Hughes sang alto, served in various roles for the choir, and sold elephant ears at the 4-H Fair. Most importantly, she treasured the friendships that she developed through the group.

Survivors include her younger brother Bill Deppen; granddaughter Erin (Glen) Collier; great-granddaughter Penny Lane; sister-in-law Debbie (Norman) Goode; and many loved nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband John Hughes; and older sister Judith Byrd.

Services for Mrs. Hughes are planned for Friday, June 17th at Randall and Roberts Funeral Home at 1150 Logan St. in Noblesville. Visitation is scheduled to be held from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. with the service scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. Interment will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Fishers, Indiana following the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hamilton County Silvernotes, c/o Hamilton County Extension Office, 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, IN 46060 (please make checks payable to Hamilton County Choral Club); or Union United Methodist Church, 1909 DeShane Avenue, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Online condolences may be made at [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).



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## Attorney General Todd Rokita Asks Hoosiers to Flag Their Property on IndianaUnclaimed.Gov on Flag Day



Attorney General Todd Rokita

Attorney General Todd Rokita invites Hoosiers to visit IndianaUnclaimed.gov today in honor of Flag Day to see if they are flagged for any unclaimed money. Flag Day is an important part of our history as a country. For most Americans, the flag represents pride, sacrifice, opportunity, strength, and freedom. "Making sure unclaimed property gets back to the rightful owners is an important part of our mission," Attorney General Rokita said. "My office is committed to serving Hoosiers and protecting their individual liberty."

While all states administer unclaimed property programs, Indiana is the only one where the attorney general oversees this function. Last year, Attorney General Rokita's Unclaimed Property Division returned \$48 million to Hoosiers, and there are no signs of slowing down.

So far this year, over \$23 million has been claimed with more than \$700 million just waiting

for the rightful owner. Some property owners in the Unclaimed Property Division's database include patriotic names and businesses, such as Red, White, Blue, Betsy, Ross, Stars, Stripes, and Wave. Hoosiers are encouraged to:

- Keep a record of all bank accounts.
- Indicate your interest in and awareness of all accounts by contacting the holder at least once every three years.
- Record all stock certificates and be sure to cash all dividends received.
- Record all utility deposits, including telephone, cable, and electricity deposits.
- Cash all checks promptly no matter how small.
- Update your address with all businesses when you move.
- Talk to loved ones about any safe deposit boxes you own.
- Once unclaimed property is in its custody, the Unclaimed Property Division conducts an aggressive outreach effort to locate the rightful owners or heirs.
- Individuals and/or businesses have 25 years in which to claim money once it is reported to the Unclaimed Property Division.
- Be sure to check IndianaUnclaimed.gov or text CLAIM to 46220 to search your name, family or business.
- You can also contact the Unclaimed Property Division at 1-866-462-5246 or [unclaimed@ag.in.gov](mailto:unclaimed@ag.in.gov).

## Congratulations to our Seniors and the rest of the Graduating class of 2022!

**Jim Dandy Restaurant**  
Lacy Taylor, David Bozuto, Mallory Beard, Guenhyvar Bratman graduating from Noblesville High School

**DQ**  
Victor Diaz & Corbin DeBryn graduating from Noblesville High School, Tyler Graham & Michelle Folmar graduating from Lapel High School, Greer Johnston graduating from Ball State University

**Obituary deadline**  
The Times publishes obituaries daily at [www.thetimes24-7.com](http://www.thetimes24-7.com), and in its print product every day with the exception of Sundays and Tuesdays. All obituaries must come from a funeral home. A photo may be included and should be sent as a high-resolution JPEG. Daily obituary deadline is 4 p.m. for the following day's print publication. To read more obituaries, visit [www.thetimes24-7.com](http://www.thetimes24-7.com).

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## Duke Energy Offers Tips, Tools to Help Customers Save Energy, Money as Temperatures Rise

As the mercury rises in Indiana this week, Duke Energy is providing tips and tools to help customers save energy – and money – while trying to stay cool.

High temperatures bring higher usage for customers, which can translate into higher bills. Here are some simple tips that can help energy users manage their bill and save money.

**Low- to no-cost energy efficiency tips:**

- Change air filters regularly. A dirty air filter makes an HVAC system work harder, which uses more energy.

- Set your thermostat at the highest comfortable setting. The smaller the difference between the inside and outside temperatures, the lower your energy usage and bill will be.

- Close blinds, drapes and curtains during the hottest part of the day. Keeping your blinds, drapes and curtains closed will help prevent the sun's rays from heating your house.

- Use a ceiling fan in occupied rooms to supplement your air conditioning. Make sure the fans are set to operate in a counterclockwise direction to push cool air down into living spaces. Only use ceiling fans in rooms that are occupied; fans cool people, not things.

- Grill outdoors. Using



your electric oven and stovetop creates a lot of indoor heat. Help save energy by firing up the grill outdoors or prepare meals that don't require cooking.

- Turn off unnecessary lights. Be sure to turn off lights when you leave a room. Lights emit heat and cause your air conditioning system to work harder.

- Track and manage your energy usage:

- Energy use typically spikes in the summer since air conditioning is one of the biggest energy users in your home. Customers can also easily track and adjust their usage during this week's heat wave.

- Customers with smart meters can check online to view their daily usage. Smart meters collect usage information by the hour, so checking spikes throughout the month – by day and even hour – can show what appliances and behaviors are increasing their bills. Video available here.

- Duke Energy customers with smart meters can also receive usage alerts through email and/

or text halfway through their billing cycle, well before their bill arrives, with their current usage amount and a projection of what their final monthly bill could be.

- Customers can also set budget alerts, so they know when their bill reaches a specific dollar amount or they are exceeding their usage, allowing them to adjust their usage and help save money on their bill.

- Customers without smart meters can sign up to receive high bill alerts that are projected to increase their electric bills by at least 30% and \$30 compared to historical usage.

- Other energy-saving programs, tips and guidance to help you manage higher energy bills that can result from increased energy are available at [duke-energy.com/Summer](http://duke-energy.com/Summer).

Duke Energy Indiana, a subsidiary of Duke Energy, provides about 6,300 megawatts of owned electric capacity to approximately 870,000 customers in a 23,000-square-mile service area, making it Indiana's largest electric supplier.

## New Scholarship Accounts Give Families More Control Over Students' Education



State Treasurer Kelly Mitchell

One year after its creation, Indiana's newest scholarship fund is ready to launch. The Indiana Education Scholarship Account Program joins the state's robust catalog of education opportunities and is designed for families seeking to take control of their student's academic journey. The application window will open for Eligible Students on June 27, 2022.

"After so much preparation, input, and study, we are thrilled to announce the launch of the Indiana ESA Program," said Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell, who oversees the program. "Families will have more opportunities to meet their child's individual education needs by taking control of the resources they are entitled to through an Indiana ESA account. I encourage all eligible Hoosiers to consider applying."

The Education Scholarship Account Program provides tax-free scholarship funds to Eligible Students for pre-approved education expenses such as tuition, therapies, assessments, and fee-for-service transportation to spend with pre-approved educational service providers. Funds are not counted as income for families of recipients, nor do funds impact other forms of financial aid (e.g. Medicaid waivers).

For the 2022-23 school year, the application window for eligible students is June 27 - August 5, 2022.

To be eligible for ESA funds, students must meet the following requirements:

- Be a resident of Indiana;
- Be between the ages

of 5-22 years old;

- Require special education services and have an Individualized Education Program (IEP), Service Plan (SP), or Choice Special Education Plan (CSEP); and
- Annual income may not exceed 300% of the federal Free and Reduced Lunch income qualification.

Applications are open for providers now, and can be found on the program's Application page at <https://www.in.gov/iesn/home/application/>

The Indiana Education Scholarship Account Program will provide students with disabilities throughout the state of Indiana access to funds to set up an educational environment that best meets their learning needs. Parents of Eligible Students, or emancipated Eligible Students, will have the opportunity to spend dedicated scholarship money on approved educational programs, therapies, services, tuition and fees, and other expenses related to the student's education.

### PUBLIC NOTICES

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Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Public Works and Safety, City of Noblesville, at the Office of the Clerk, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana, and will be publicly opened and read aloud at 9:00 a.m. on June 24, 2022. Any Bids received after that time will not be considered.

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:** The work shall consist of the bid for the development and maintenance of right of ways as described, for one year, in various locations throughout the City of Noblesville.

**BID DOCUMENTS:** Specifications and Contract Documents are available for examination and after June 13, 2022 at the following office:

- City of Noblesville – Street Department, 1378 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, Indiana.

Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after June 13, 2022, at the City of Noblesville – Street Department, Noblesville, Indiana, upon payment of \$10.00 per set. A non-refundable fee of \$10.00 per set of Specifications and Contract Documents. This fee is not refundable. Plans and specifications will also be available electronically at no charge. All plan holders or entities requiring plans MUST request the official bid to be an official plan holder and not be eligible to submit a response bid. Bids which are properly and completely executed and filed with the City of Noblesville, each bid shall be accompanied by a completed bid form, Form No. 98 (Revised 2020), acceptable bid security, and wage statement affidavit. Any bid not accompanied by the aforementioned required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid.

No bidder may withdraw the proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for the opening of bids. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids for a period of not more than 60 days and until bid shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the Contract to any Bidder all in the absence of the City of Noblesville or to reject all bids.

**BID SECURITY:** Each bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable certified check, made payable to the City of Noblesville in the amount of the amount required to be 5 percent of the total bid price and used by an accepted bidder to ensure the bidder's performance and to ensure the bidder's compliance with the terms of the contract. The City of Noblesville reserves the right to reject any and all bids for a period of not more than 60 days and until bid shall remain in full force and effect during said time.

**QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS:** All bidders shall have a successfully qualified history in the management and completion of similar work in the form of a good history of contracts held and completed for similar work. All contractors, suppliers and subcontractors shall demonstrate 5 years of experience in similar work similar in nature to this project. All workers employed on this project shall have documented high school or equivalent education. Any general or subcontractor who has existing liens or judgments on the contracting work or other performance or quality issues with the City of Noblesville may be deemed as non-qualified or non-responsive.

Any bid submitted by a firm that is not a plan holder and does not appear on the Official Plan Holders List for this project will be deemed non-responsive and non-qualified.

**INDIANA REQUIREMENTS:** Translated Questionnaire Form 98 – Revised 2020, completed, filled out and signed, including attachment of Contractor's Federal Tax Returns.

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## Worker Safety Critical During Extreme Heat

Indiana is currently in the midst of a record heat wave. Soaring temperatures and stifling humidity are driving a 105F-110F degree heat index throughout most of Indiana for the next few days.

The Indiana Department of Labor and its Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration want to ensure that employees working outdoors or in facilities with no climate control are protected against heat-related illness.

Employees working in high heat should remember to:

- Ease into work –



build up heat tolerance slowly

- Drink cool water – at least one cup every 20 minutes, even when not thirsty

- Take rest breaks – take enough time to recover from heat

- Find shade or a cool area – avoid staying in

direct heat for too long

- Dress for the heat – wear light-colored, loose-fitting, breathable clothing

- Watch out for each other – if you see signs of heat illness in yourself or a coworker, get help!

To learn more about the warning signs of heat-related illness, employer responsibilities, and worker information, visit <http://www.osha.gov/heat>.

For information about developing and implementing a heat illness prevention, or for any other occupational safety and health related topic, call INSafe at (317) 232-2688.

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## Indiana a Hotspot for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Global Report Says

Yesterday, during London Tech Week, Startup Genome, a policy advisory and research organization, released its 2022 Global Startup Ecosystem Report. The comprehensive, data-driven report analyzed more than 280 entrepreneurial ecosystems including 3 million startups and ranked Indiana as a Global Top 40 Emerging Ecosystem. Indiana is also included in seven other subsets for talent, early capital funding and performance.

"The Start Up Genome Top 40 ranking is an exciting validation of the hard work of our entrepreneurs—but there is still more, as a state, we can do," said Indiana Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers. "We are leaning in and finding innovative new ways to enable our immensely talented young people to propel our economy forward. I see no more important investment of time and resources and no reason that Indiana should not be a Top 5 ecosystem for entrepreneurship worldwide."

In November, Startup Genome and the Indiana Economic Development Corporation announced a partnership to study and support Indiana's entrepreneurial and innovation ecosystem development. Using a combination of global datasets and survey



data, Startup Genome conducted an ecosystem analysis to determine Indiana's stage of development, create benchmarks against peer and top global startup ecosystems, and examine opportunities and gaps as well as strengths.

Indiana-specific rankings and findings from the report include:

- Global Top 40 Emerging Ecosystem;

- Top 15 North American Ecosystem in Affordable Talent — which measures the ability to hire tech talent;

- Top 20 North American Ecosystem in Bang for Buck — which measures the amount of runway tech startups acquire, on average, from a venture capital funding round;

- Top 30 North American Ecosystem & Top 10 North American Emerging Ecosystem in Talent & Experience — which measures long-term trends over the most significant performance factors and the ability to generate and retain talent in the ecosystem;

- Top 25 North American Ecosystem & Top 10 North American Emerging Ecosystem in Funding — which measures innovation through early-stage funding and investor's activity;

- Top 25 North American Emerging Ecosystem in Performance — which measures the size and performance of an ecosystem based on the accumulated tech startup value created

from exits and funding:

- Indiana created \$3 billion in Ecosystem value from July 1, 2019 to Dec. 31, 2021;

- Local connectedness and a business-friendly climate are cited as reasons a startup should move to Indiana; and

- The Industry 4.0, Life Sciences and Future of Energy sectors are highlighted for their density of talent, support resources and startup activity.

"Startup Genome is honored to work with Indiana Economic Development Corporation in accelerating ecosystem growth, job creation and impact in Indiana," said JF Gauthier, founder and CEO of Startup Genome. "We are excited about Indiana's startup community's future because of the increasing investment in its innovative entrepreneurs."

Since 2012, this research effort has provided rich insights and guidance to public and private

leaders on how to cultivate thriving startup ecosystems and support local startups — the #1 engine of job creation and economic growth. The report ranks startup ecosystems on seven success factors, including performance and talent. Full global report details can be found online at <https://startupgenome.com/report/gser2022>.

Startup Genome is the world-leading policy advisory and research organization for public and private organizations committed to accelerating the success of their startup ecosystem. We have advised more than 125 clients across six continents in 45+ countries to date. Working side-by-side with 300 partner organizations, our frameworks and methodologies have become instrumental to define and execute robust policies and programs that drive lasting change. Many of the world's leading governments and innovation-focused organizations

have joined our knowledge network to cut through the complexities of startup ecosystem development and fuel sustained economic growth. Follow our work at [startupgenome.com](https://startupgenome.com), and follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) is charged with growing the State economy, driving economic development, helping businesses launch, grow and locate in the state. Led by Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers, @SecChambersIN, and governed by a 15-member board chaired by Governor Eric J. Holcomb, @GovHolcomb, the IEDC manages many initiatives, including performance-based tax credits, workforce training grants, innovation and entrepreneurship resources, public infrastructure assistance, and talent attraction and retention efforts. For more information about the IEDC, visit [iedc.in.gov](https://iedc.in.gov).

## Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs Sarah Lovenheim Gives Statement on HHS Secretary Becerra Recently Testing Positive for COVID-19



HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra

Yesterday, Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra tested positive for COVID-19 in Sacramento, California.

This is the second time in the previous 30 days that Secretary Becerra

has tested positive for the virus, after first testing positive on May 18 while waiting to meet health ministers at a G7 summit in Germany. Secretary Becerra was in Los Angeles for the Summit of the Americas last week, though it is not clear whether that is where he contracted the virus.

Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs Sarah Lovenheim issued the following statement yesterday:

"This morning in Sacramento, U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra tested positive for COVID-19 after taking an antigen test. He is fully vaccinated and boosted

against COVID-19, and is experiencing mild symptoms. He will continue to perform his duties as HHS Secretary, working in isolation.

"The Secretary and his office have consulted with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and are following all applicable CDC guidance."

"Secretary Becerra has not been considered a close contact of President Biden or Vice President Harris, as defined by the CDC. The Secretary remains engaged with the duties of his office from isolation, and is eager to return to in-person meetings, as quickly as possible."

## IDEM Issues Statewide Air Quality Action Day Today

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) has again issued an Air Quality Action Day (AQAD) and is forecasting high ozone levels for today, Wednesday, June 15, in Hamilton County. The following regions have also been issued an AQAD and forecasted to have high ozone levels:

- Central Indiana — Marion, Bartholomew, Boone, Brown, Delaware, Hendricks, Howard, Madison, Shelby
- North Central Indiana — St. Joseph, Elkhart
- Northeast Indiana — Allen, Huntington, Wabash
- Northwest Indiana — Lake, Porter, LaPorte
- Southeast Indiana — Clark, Floyd
- Southwest Indiana — Daviess, Dubois, Gibson, Greene, Knox, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, Warrick
- West Central Indiana — Vigo, Carroll, Tipton

Note: The counties referenced in the region(s)

above are equipped with ozone air quality monitors. However, all counties within an AQAD region should heed the forecast. Air quality information for all Indiana counties can be found at [SmogWatch.IN.gov](https://smogwatch.in.gov).

IDEM encourages everyone to help reduce ozone by making changes to daily habits. You can:

- Drive less: carpool, use public transportation, walk, bike, or work from home when possible
- Combine errands into one trip
- Avoid refueling your vehicle or using gasoline-powered lawn equipment until after 7 p.m.
- Keep your engine tuned, and don't let your engine idle (e.g., at a bank or restaurant drive-thru)
- Conserve energy by turning off lights and setting the thermostat to 75 degrees or above

Air Quality Action Days are in effect from midnight to 11:59 p.m. on the specified date. Anyone sensitive to

changes in air quality may be affected when ozone levels are high. Children, the elderly, and anyone with heart or lung conditions should reduce or avoid exertion and heavy work outdoors.

Ground-level ozone is formed when sunlight and hot weather combine with vehicle exhaust, factory emissions, and gasoline vapors. Ozone in the upper atmosphere blocks ultraviolet radiation, but ozone near the ground is a lung irritant that can cause coughing and breathing difficulties for sensitive populations.

IDEM examines weather patterns and current ozone readings to make daily air quality forecasts. Air Quality Action Days generally occur when weather conditions such as light winds, hot and dry air, stagnant conditions, and lower atmospheric inversions trap pollutants close to the ground. To learn more about ozone or to sign up for air quality alerts, visit [SmogWatch.IN.gov](https://smogwatch.in.gov).

## Community Free Shred Day!



## Free Drive Thru, Drop Off Shred Event

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707 East State Road 32, Westfield, IN 46074



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# States Take on Transgender Extremism



Attorney General Todd Rokita

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita and 25 other state attorneys general are calling on President Joe Biden to withdraw the recent U.S.

Department of Agriculture's Guidance, which erodes the principles of Title IX by implementing new, expansive sex discrimination laws for schools that receive nutritional assistance from the federal government.

"This administration has gone too far by forcing sexuality and transgender extremism into every part of our daily lives," Rokita said. "The new guidelines totally distort and dissolve the progress of women's rights in our country. Instead of ensuring the current law, Title IX, is upheld, President Biden

insists on catering to woke elites and ignoring the true problems Hoosiers and all Americans are coping with today."

Title IX was passed 50 years ago to ensure equal opportunities for women, but it is now being twisted to include the same protections for anyone who claims to be the opposite sex. This move comes as no surprise after Biden issued an executive order on his first day in office to force every federal agency to adopt a new set of standards when it comes to sexual identity. He defended his executive

order by incorrectly citing the *Bostock v. Clayton County* case.

Earlier this month, the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service, announced it would implement the new adaptations. The Biden administration's promise to make Title IX rule changes turned heads when details were revealed.

As a result of this rule changes, any state, local agency, or program receiving federal funds through the Food and Nutrition Act had to Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program ad-

ministered by the USDA, must comply with the unlawful application of *Bostock* and Title IX, or lose federal funding.

The National School Lunch Program serves nearly 30 million schoolchildren each day, many of whom rely on it for both breakfast and lunch. Approximately 100,000 public and non-profit private schools and residential childcare institutions receive federal funding to provide subsidized, free, or reduced-price meals for qualifying children. Expanding the concept of "discrimination on the

basis of sex" to include gender identity and sexual orientation is harmful to Indiana schools and schools across the country.

Rokita argues the new guidance is unlawful because it was issued without providing states the opportunity to respond as required by the Administrative Procedure Act. Further, it misapplies the Supreme Court's holding in *Bostock* and forces regulatory measures on state agencies and operators receiving federal financial assistance from the USDA.

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the car club and member of the club's board of directors, was club president for several years but Shank holds the record for number of years as president of the car club.

With the Father's Day Car Show, Grabb has been the deejay for the past, maybe, 25 years. "We were paying a lot of money to have a deejay, and it was just money we could not give to the Elysian Foundation," Grabb said. "I'm kind of an old rock 'n' roll junkie and had a ton of music available, so we just took it from there. We borrow the amplifier and speakers from First Presbyterian Church and really appreciate their donation of that every year."

Shank admitted he's been president almost all the years that the club has been in existence, because, he said, "No one else wants the job."

He said, "It was involved in the formation of CIVV to get it started in about 1988. But a lot of others were involved who have died or moved on for other changes in their life. A core group has been together for most of the years." He does a lot of the public relations work and gets about 25 sponsors who donate funds to ensure that the car show is a financial success and buy the dash plaques and awards.

"We have a very unique show because we do not have many classes for show cars to enter and be judged to receive an award as most car shows do."

That is a nightmare and causes many hard feelings. We just raffle the awards off by pulling car-entry numbers out of a hat so that every car there has a chance for an award. People with cars can win a trophy at our show who could never win at shows where they are judged. But we do have special awards that are listed on our flyers," Shank said.

Shank and Grabb are both dads themselves and enjoy taking their families to the show. Shank, 78, has three kids and six grandkids. Grabb, 77, has three kids and two grandkids.

Shank and Grabb's love for old cars began long ago and shared some stories.

Shank bought his first car, a 1952 Studebaker, when he was 15. "I had five sisters, so my mother

raised six kids but never drove a car in her entire life," Shank said. They lived in the Broad Ripple neighborhood, which in the late 1950s was the outer limits of Indianapolis. "I also was dating the sweet little girl who has been my wife for almost 60 years," Shank said.

"Our dates were trips to the drive-in movie theaters and restaurants that catered to the automobile with car hops." In other words, Shank said, they would cruise the drive-in restaurants "to show your car and what girl was sitting next to you in the front seat."

He said, "Everybody customized their car with fender skirts, loud mufflers and shiny chrome add-on parts. Those were the days."

The next chapter of life was college, where you had no money and your girlfriend was probably in a different school far away, said Shank, who married the girl he met, then got a job, had a family, bought a house and acted responsible for many years.

Many years later, a friend asked Shank, "What do you do for fun?" Shank didn't have an immediate answer. But it did make him ponder the question. His answer: find an old car like he had in high school. His search ended with a 1954 Chrysler that had been stored for many years and was in mint condition. The Shanks drove the car to the Cincinnati Auto Tour one year, and were asked if then Noblesville Mayor Mary Sue Rowland and husband, Ted, could be passengers for the tour. "What an honor..." he said.

Shank then contacted the Noblesville Christmas parade organizer to get the names of the old car owners who participated. Shank would contact those folks to see if there was any interest in starting an antique car club in Noblesville. "She told me she was tired of organizing the parade, and she would only give me the list if I would take over getting the cars for the parade," Shank said. It worked out perfectly, and Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles was born.

The first car show was June 22, 1991, at Don Hinds Ford when the dealership first moved



Photo provided

This 1952 Studebaker is Noblesville's Dave Shank's first car.

to Fishers that year. The next year, they moved to a shady location, on the grass at Forest Park, where there are public restrooms nearby and an opportunity to serve food and drinks. The show has been there ever since. Noblesville Lions Club and Noblesville High School Leo Club will sell pork chop on a stick, chips and drink for \$10, and hot dog, chips and drink for \$5, also donuts and coffee in the morning, and food a la carte.

"After 31 years of presenting the Father's Day Car Show, what makes it all worth the time and effort is seeing the families all coming together spending time together enjoying the old hobby," Shank said.

Besides the Studebaker, Shank has a 1938 LaFayette with an upgraded drivetrain that's considered a street rod. He also has a fiberglass reproduction of a 1929 Ford Model A Roadster. Since he can only drive one car at a time, he said his grandsons would drive the Shay to the Father's Day Car Show with a cute girl sitting next to them.

Grabb, who will be perched at the deejay table playing his favorite rock 'n' roll tunes on Sunday, shared a little more about his love for cars.

Growing up in Decatur, Ill., Grabb learned how to drive on two cars at the same time. His mom had a 1958 Oldsmobile 98 four-door hardtop, an automatic and "quite a car." His dad drove a new 1960 two-door Mercury Comet, a 6-cylinder with a manual

transmission, and the most difficult to master.

"One time, Dad had me driving out in the country, and we were going up a long and fairly steep incline. About half-way up, he said, 'Stop the car.' Once the car was fully stopped, with my foot firmly on the brake to prevent us from rolling backwards down this hill, he said, 'Ok, you can go now.' That, my friends, is when and where I learned to drive a stick shift, going up a hill from a standing stop. It took a number of tries, and my Dad was grinning and clucking the whole time. We repeated this exercise several times until I became a champ at it," Grabb said.

He got his own car at age 17, between his junior and senior years in high school. He had to get a car because of his summer job as a lifeguard at a pool that was about 30 minutes from home. After much searching, he discovered that one of the school maintenance workers had a car he wanted to sell. And Grabb could afford it. "Only \$40." He took his dad to look at the car, a 1952 Chevy four-door sedan, dark green over light green, with the motor sitting in the trunk and a rod through the block. "The car was solid, there was zero rust, the interior was in good shape, and there was an AM radio sitting on the backseat waiting to be installed." By the time he was driving the car, the total investment was \$40 for the car, \$35 for a good friend's junkyard to install



The Times archive photo

Larry Grabb of Noblesville, a Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles board member, bought a 1967 Buick Skylark with his father-in-law and enjoys the car for its design and the turquoise color. The club's 31st annual Father's Day Car Show is Sunday at Forest Park in Noblesville.

### Want TO GO?

**What:** Central Indiana Vintage Vehicles' 31st annual Father's Day Car Show.

**When:** 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, rain or shine.

**Where:** Forest Park, 701 Cicero Road, Noblesville.

**How much:** Vehicle show registration built prior to 1997 and/or customized or altered. Free admission to spectators.

**What's to eat:** Noblesville Lions Club and Noblesville High School Leo Club will sell pork chop on a stick, chips and drink for \$10, and hot dog, chips and drink for \$5, also donuts and coffee in the morning, and food a la carte. No alcohol allowed.

**Where the money goes:** The Elysian Foundation to benefit residents of Normal Life of Sheridan, a home-based care program for the severely brain injured.

**What else:** Dash plaques to first 200 entries, 50/50 drawings, door prizes.

**Info:** <http://cnv.club/index.html>

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1953 Chevy and \$40 for

four new tires, complete

with port-a-walls. The

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chrome to new condition,

and removing the sun-

shade over the windshield

so the car wouldn't look

like it belonged to some

old person," Grabb said.

"The car was geared low

and would go anywhere.

I carried a strong chain

under the front seat and

would often be called

upon to pull friends out of

mud or snow of whatever.

I charged \$2, and I was

a lot cheaper than a tow

truck, and their parents

would never know."

Grabb has owned a few

cars over the years. Now,

he has a 1961 Buick Elec-

tra, a 1967 Buick Skylark

and a 1969 AMX, the lat-

ter of which he'll show

on Sunday. "I bought it

new when I came back

from overseas and needed

a car," Grabb said. "The

car had been sitting for 13 years in my pole barn and it has undergone a lot of mechanical refreshing in the past two years. It is now ready to drive as of last week."

The Father's Day Car Show means everything to Grabb. Proceeds from the show go to The Elysian Foundation, which benefits severely brain-damaged young people who are housed in Hamilton County and supported by Normal Life of Sheridan. The Indy GTO Club of Indianapolis also adopted the Elysians as its charity. Each Christmas, the clubs make residents' holidays more special.

Grabb said the Father's Day Car Show is "a chance for car owners to interact with the general public and share knowledge of each owner's specific car ... People will enjoy the opportunity to walk through a beautiful park, gazing at the variety of cars. There really is something for everybody."

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into a roaring fire. He then stood by and watched the poor man burn to death. (In the version with two Indians, the second Indian was seriously burned but survived.)

Sometime between April and June (accounts differ) while a few of Shintaffer's neighbors were at the trader's cabin to sharpen their axes — Shintaffer owned the only good grindstone in the area — a small band of Indians arrived to avenge their fallen comrade.

Although the settlers weren't crazy about Shin-

taffer themselves, they felt they had no choice but to defend him.

A battle was fought with clubs, stones, and tomahawks. When it was all over, one of the Indians was dead, as was settler Benjamin Fisher.

A short time later, Shintaffer, who'd caused the whole thing, packed up his family and bugged out. After the fight, relations between the Native Americans and the settlers were a little tense for a while, but no more blood was shed and eventually things settled down.

I tried tracking Shintaffer down to see what became of him, but that trail got a little murky, too. (Encountering over a dozen different spelling variations for "Shintaffer" didn't help.)

The only references I could find to "John Shintaffer" in that time frame are connected to Hamilton County histories. The 1820 United States census doesn't show a "John Shintaffer" in this area.

A "Philip Chintaffer," does appear in the 1820 census for this county, however, so I checked

later reports, and found "Philip Shintaffer/Phinlaff/Sinlaffer" in Greene County, Indiana in 1830 and "Philip Shintaffer" in Clinton County, Michigan, in 1840. (A Michigan land entry establishes that the 1830 and 1840 censuses refer to the same person.)

Although one Greene County history notes that their Shintaffer possessed a "quick temper," just like the Strawtown trader, I'm not completely comfortable identifying him as "our" Shintaffer.

For one thing, Helm got his version of Benjamin

Fisher's death straight from Fisher's daughter, Mary Fisher Summermon and Mrs. Summermon told Helm the trader's first name was "John." I can buy that she might have gotten some details of the tale wrong after 50-odd years, but it's difficult to believe she would ever forget the name of the man responsible for her father's death.

Also, census records are only as good as the census taker and some of those people weren't that reliable, especially in the early days.

Because good history is built on facts, not assumptions, and because the only documentation I could find connecting the Greene County/Michigan man to Hamilton County is a name, I'm just going to end this by echoing our early county historians — Shintaffer disappeared and was never heard from again.

- Paula Dunn's "From Time to Time" column appears on Wednesdays in The Times. Contact her at [younggardenerfriend@gmail.com](mailto:younggardenerfriend@gmail.com)

# Hearing Loss Makes Your BRAIN WORK HARDER

If you're struggling to hear, you don't just miss a few sounds here or there. New research shows that adults with hearing loss experience a 40% faster decline in cognitive abilities. This suggests that the entire brain may be struggling to fill in the gaps caused by untreated hearing loss.

Beltone Hearing Care Practitioners point to new research. "Several studies have done imaging to look at the brains of people with varying degrees of hearing loss," Beltone says.

With normal hearing, the section of the brain that's responsible for hearing lights up during imaging. But the scans reveal a different picture for a person with untreated hearing loss. Researchers found that the hearing center of the brain shrinks in age-related hearing loss. Therefore, other areas of the brain necessary for memory and thinking must take over to help compensate. That's why people with hearing loss are more fatigued at the end of the day. Your brain is having to work harder if you have untreated hearing loss.

*"We want to keep you as healthy as we possibly can. And with hearing aids, you're not only taking care of your hearing and your relationships, but we have the potential, because of the auditory stimulation, to provide benefit for your brain health."*

The symptoms may be obvious when you're struggling to hear your grandchild or trying hard to follow a conversation in a crowded place, but many people do not realize that even when you're home alone or in a quiet environment, your brain is still having to work harder than it should to compensate for your hearing loss.

Thankfully, research is showing that when hearing loss is detected early and treated with hearing aids, the brain can reorganize itself back to its usual operation. This research may help explain the link between hearing loss, cognitive decline and memory loss.



**Beltone**  
Hearing Care Practitioner

Beltone Hearing Care Practitioners say "We want to keep you as healthy as we possibly can. With hearing aids, you're not only taking care of your hearing and your relationships, but we have the potential, because of the auditory stimulation, to provide benefit for your brain health. Hearing loss is not just about your ears. A lot of people tell us that they 'get by just fine', but we remind them that they need to think beyond communication and instead think in terms of overall health."



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If you've had a hearing exam before, you can expect a very different experience when you walk into Beltone. The Specialists readily admit that their goal is to help treat hearing loss, not to sell you a hearing aid.

"Often people walk in and their guard is up," says Beltone. "We get it. They say, 'I don't want to be sold to'. I say, 'Great! You're in a great spot!' We're health professionals, working in your best interest."

While many folks shop for the lowest price for hearing aids, it is highly recommended to shop for the best healthcare professional that you feel comfortable with to ensure your satisfaction and success.

"Think of your hearing in terms of the whole package. If you needed knee surgery, would you shop for the cheapest implant or the most qualified and experienced surgeon to provide the best product, outcome and follow-up care?"

You will be satisfied not when you pay the lowest price but when you get the best overall value for your investment, which is why at Beltone we are professional hearing care specialists that offer the most advanced hearing technology and service.

We pull from over 80 years of hearing healthcare experience and expertise to truly customize options to each individual budget and lifestyle.

Instead of focusing solely on price, we suggest you meet with a hearing care specialist who can not only determine if you have hearing loss and suggest a course of treatment, but work with you every step of the way to improve your quality of life.

"We come at hearing in terms of overall health. We want to build a relationship with you throughout your life. We understand the emotional and financial investment involved, which is why our goal is to keep you hearing your best for as long as we possibly can," Beltone says.

Beltone will provide an honest and clear path for your hearing loss. At Beltone we stand behind everything we do. If you're unhappy with the devices, we don't want you to leave them in the drawer. We set people up for success so they have a positive experience. We know it's an investment, and that's why we're going to take care of you.

## TIME TO TAKE YOUR HEARING HEALTH SERIOUSLY

Hearing may be the most underappreciated of the five senses. If you can't see well, of course, you'll visit a licensed eye doctor to get glasses or contacts to correct your vision. But, in this day and age, people are still hesitant to see a hearing care specialist, professionals that are highly trained to treat hearing loss.

"The reasons are endless," says Beltone. "Many of us don't think we're old enough to need hearing aids, or we worry they'll make us look older. Some of us don't think our hearing loss is bad enough to need help, or we're worried about the cost."

The fact is that even a mild hearing loss may be affecting your brain function, your sense of

balance and your relationships with family and friends.

"Hearing loss is hard on relationships."

You may think the simple solution is to just turn the TV louder or ask your kids or grandkids to speak up, but even a mild hearing loss can affect you in countless ways. If your hearing is at all impaired, your brain has to work harder, trying to make out words and sounds. A hearing loss can make it harder to interact in social situations, to spend time with family, or to be productive at work. Research has linked untreated hearing loss with cognitive decline, dementia and an increased risk of falls.

**THE SOLUTION:** Resolve to schedule a free hearing exam. It's quick, easy, and will provide you with the information you need to move forward in life.



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**PUBLIC HEARING  
HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

Vice President Altman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. declaring a quorum present of Commissioner Christine Altman and Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt. Commissioner Steven C. Dillinger was absent.

Altman stated we are here tonight for public comment on the proposed regional sewer district in the Bakers Corner area, so you can frame how the evening is going to go, we will have presentations from our engineers to explain the district. They will have a presentation from our financial consultant to talk about rates and then will have a time for those interested to make public comment for us to consider in the process. Since this is a very lively group, and thank you for attending, they would limit comments to two minutes per individual, if you would, and also do not be concerned if you feel you can't get all your thoughts out in two minutes because this is a fairly lengthy process. We will certainly consider any written questions or concerns that you have. Just feel free to forward them to this building, attention Dan Stevens, he is our Administrator, if you want to supplement comments. Also, IDEM (Indiana Department of Environmental Management) will also go through the process of public comments. This is not your first shot to share or ask questions. We want to limit some questions because some we just can't answer, and we will defer that to our engineers on what they know, and they don't know. This certainly will not be your first opportunity or last opportunity to make comment on how we can make this district better. Altman asked Mr. Heirbrandt if he had anything to say. Heirbrandt replied no, he is anxious to hear comments. Altman turned the meeting over to Mr. Martin "Marty" Wessler with Wessler Engineering, he is our consulting engineer on the project.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Wessler stated we are going to roll the presentation, we anticipate it will take 15 to 20 minutes to explain the documentation, the need, the creation of the district, what the process is for creating a regional water and sewer district, the boundaries but then also the phasing of the projects. Although the district is very large the initial projects are much smaller in size and will not be touching everyone's property within the district. With him tonight is Derek Urban the project engineer. He has been working on sewer collection system. We held our public information meeting in Sheridan a couple of weeks ago and he sees faces that were at that meeting. Tonight, might be a refresh of what they saw then. After Mr. Urban speaks, as Commissioner Altman said, we will talk a little about what the rates might be and then we will close it up and explain what IDEM will do after we go through with the petition.

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Urban presented a PowerPoint presentation of the project welcoming those attending to the public hearing for the Hamilton County Regional Utility District. As Marty said I am Derek Urban, and this is our team at Wessler. Everyone is here to be able to answer your questions tonight. We have Marty, who just spoke and then we have Bob Holden, and Oscar Gutierrez with Bondry Management Consultants who will be talking about the preliminary rate.

An overview of what we are going to be covering tonight; first of all, we are going to go through the need for the project, why is it happening. Then some of the steps that have been taken for the regional utility district formation and some of the steps that will be coming up after this public hearing. We will then talk about the proposed improvements that are proposed as part of the first couple of phases of the water and sewer improvements in the area then we will cover the preliminary rates and then there will be time for public comment.

Urban showed the map of the proposed regional utility district. The red boundary is the extent of it, this was also included in the mailing you received which is probably why a lot of you are here. On the north it is bounded by the Tipton County line. On the west it is bounded by Oakridge Road and Arthur Baker Road. On the south it is bounded by 216<sup>th</sup> Street and on the east it is bounded by Cal Carson Road north of 236<sup>th</sup> Street and south of 236<sup>th</sup> Street it is bounded by Cammack Road.

The need for the project – right now there is no water or sewer utility in the area. Every property owner has an individual well and septic system for their house or business and there has been some history of failing septic systems in the area. What can happen is when you flush the toilet the sewage goes to your septic tank, most of the solids collecting in the septic tank and the liquid that has not settled carries through and percolates to the ground into your drainage field. It then slowly makes it way through the ground and its filtered and eventually that water makes it way back to the water table. What can happen when a septic system fails you can get carryover of E-coli and also solids that end up making it into the water table and it can get into wells in the area and also get into surface water bodies. There has been some history of that, some pretty high E-coli levels in the water body caused by failing septic systems.

The final item, as many of you are aware that live out here, there has been a lot going on US 31. Right now they are building the 236<sup>th</sup> Street interchange and they will also be building an interchange at 276<sup>th</sup> Street and so the county sees the potential of some growth in the area due partially due to that.

To sum up, the need of the project there is a public health need, an environmental need because of septic systems do not last forever and there is also this growth that can be happening. Right now there is not wastewater or water utility service to foster that growth. This is proposed to solve those needs.



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In terms of the district formation some of the steps that have already been taken; Wessler Engineering put together a technical memorandum for the county to basically study the area, not only around the area of the interchanges of 236<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31 and 276<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31 and determine what water and wastewater infrastructure would be needed to serve that area. Also, a preliminary rate analysis was done based upon the cost developed in the technical memorandum. The Hamilton County Commissioners approved the petition to form a district.

Urban showed a more detailed timeline noting the items on the left having been completed. The orange is where we are right now, at the public hearing. The upcoming steps after the public hearing, as Commissioner Altman mentioned, there is a time for written comments as well. Written comments that are received will be filed with the petition that goes to IDEM. They will review that along with the petition. The county will file that petition to IDEM towards the end of July, approximately the 29<sup>th</sup>. Then IDEM will assign this case to a hearing officer and that person will schedule the public hearing for IDEM. This is your opportunity to bring up comments to the county, that will be your opportunity to express comments to IDEM. That will be held sometime in the 180 days after the petition is filed and they will also everyone that that is happening. They will review that petition and make a recommendation and then it would be anticipated that at the end of February that the IDEM Commissioner will order for the district formation. Those are the steps when the district is formed and then the county would file a detailed plan for the initial project that you would anticipate about a month after the order is issued by IDEM, about the end of March next year.

The initial service area shows Phases 1 and 2, the areas that were looked at in the technical memorandum. Phase 1 is the area around 236<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31, Phase 2 is extension up to 276<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31. The sanitary system will consist of gravity sewers and there are locations where we would have to pump the flow for a sewage pump station, we refer to as a lift station, and then the pipe that the lift station pumps through is a force main. Those are included as components of the project. Phase 1 would have two lift stations and their associated force mains. There would be a wastewater treatment plant that would have the capacity for 500,000 gallons per day, average daily flow.

For the drinking water system, the water is going to be supplied from Indiana American Water in Sheridan. The county will also, in the future, consider a potential additional water source development. There will be a booster station to boost the pressure into the district because there is a long way to go from Sheridan to the district and then there will be an elevated storage tank or a water tower.

The conceptual layout shows Phase 1 and locations where the work is proposed. Starting at the west side of the map there is a blue line along 236<sup>th</sup> Street, that is the transmission main from Sheridan, the water main. That will be provided by Indiana American. From that connection point on will be provided by the

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county. There is a booster station shown which is the red box. The purple lines are areas where there are gravity sewer and water main proposed. If you are along the line in purple you would have the opportunity to connect the services. The red lines are watermain only, that wouldn't be gravity sewer. The dotted lines are force main from the lift stations. If you are on a force main but not a gravity sewer you would not be able to connect.

In terms of costs the estimated project costs for Phase 1 including both construction and non-construction costs such as engineering and legal total estimated cost is \$43.1 million.

In terms of the schedule, we are currently at the public hearing point. People along the routes of Phase 1 could expect to see construction starting around the first of next year, January. Anticipated completion of Phase 1 would be December 2024.

Next exhibit adds Phase 2 with infrastructure around 236<sup>th</sup> Street still the same. There is an extension up US 31 to 276<sup>th</sup> Street. There would be a lift station at 276<sup>th</sup> Street, there is a new National Guard Armory that is going in up there and this lift station would be able to serve that and another lift station at an intermediate point and that would pump to a wastewater treatment plant. An unidentified member of the audience asked where the treatment plant would sit. Urban replied, the wastewater treatment plant is shown in orange boxes. A lot of these lines, for example running on the east side of US 31. Another unidentified audience member asked if there was a website where we could have access to these drawings? Wessler replied, this entire presentation will be posted on the county website tomorrow. Unidentified audience member asked for the whole proposal, can we get that posted also? Altman asked if we could get through the presentation without interruption so we can make this process go more smoothly and we will have time for questions and comments. Thank you.

Urban continued, basically we would have water extended up to 276<sup>th</sup> Street. That would be the basic project with future phases that would serve other areas of the district.

Urban talked about connections noting a lot of them may be wondering if they will be able to connect and probably some of them are wondering if they will be required to connect. If the gravity sewers and water mains are run next to your home or business you will have the opportunity to connect. We would ask that if you are interested in connecting if you could please let us know so we have a picture of who is wanting service. Even if the sewer and watermain are not proposed right next to your home or business right now but you would like service you will be able to connect. We want to hear from people who want to connect so we know where you are and even if there is not gravity water or sewer main proposed next to you right now we would still like to know that because the county would like to know that for areas where the service might be extended to in the future.

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Water connection will be voluntary. If there is a water main by your house and you want to stay on a well you will be able to do that. For sewer connection if you have a septic system and you do not want to connect, you will be able to file an exemption from the county health department and if they approve your septic system then you would be able to be exempt. The exemption would be for 10 years and then there would be an opportunity to file for two five-year extensions after that. That rule is relatively new, he has listed the Indiana Code in this presentation that will be on the website. Within the first six months of being able to connect if you connect to the system at that point the connection fees would be waived so you would not have to pay a connection fee. If you were to connect after those six months then there would be a connection fee. Probably the next question people are thinking about is “what would it cost?” For that Urban turned over the meeting to Oscar Gutierrez.

Gutierrez, municipal advisor for the county, stated what you are most wondering is what is this going to cost me, which is a great question. He began by saying that none of this would be possible if it wasn't due to federal money. This is a \$43 million project and out of that \$43 million, \$35 million of that is federal funding (\$25 million in ARPA money and an additional \$10 million from the State). That is paying for almost 77% of all the costs of construction. If individuals do choose to connect – for the water it will be based on 4,000 gallons of water use, obviously if you are less it would be less or if you use more it would be more. For 4,000 gallons of water, you are looking at roughly \$36.50 per month. These are rough estimates based on the preliminary construction. If the construction is less or operations are less we will know more as the developer who is putting this together lets us know what the operational costs are. As part of their analysis, they put in a lot of replacement costs which we know will not be as heavy because it is all new equipment. We are waiting for this to be built to be able to bring the costs down. The worst-case scenario is \$36.50 per month for water and \$60.55 for sewer. \$8 million of this is what the utility will be paying back, the other \$35 million will be in the form of federal funds.

Urban noted the newer code with the septic exemption is Indiana Code 13-26-5-2.5.

Urban summed up, what is the vision for the project. The vision is to protect the public health because we have potential for failing septic systems that can affect drinking water and wells with providing a wastewater treatment plant we can provide reliable service and protect the environment because of that. With providing drinking water service there will be reliable, safe, clean drinking water that would be disinfected. The infrastructure will be provided and foster growth in the area. That is the vision with Urban pointing out links in his presentation including the Indiana code which will all be part of the presentation that will be posted on the website.



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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Altman stated obviously there are some questions in the room, hopefully you will have more time to study the materials once we have it posted on the website but at this time it is your opportunity to make comments about the proposed regional utility district and again, you will have more opportunity to comment as we go through this process. It is a very public process and we do want to hear from you. We presume you live in the area; you work in the area; you have a strong interest. If you would try to limit your comments to two minutes. We would appreciate that you not repeat what your friends or neighbors have said because once it is made in comment form it will be recorded and submitted to IDEM as part of this process. Ultimately IDEM will go through the same process and be the decision maker as to the viability of the district. At this time if you would come forward if you have comments to make or you have brief questions and we will address them the best we can. Heirbrandt asked that we start by stating your name and address for the record.

Kimberly Chance, 3161 E. 246<sup>th</sup> Street

Chance stated she is seven-tenths of a mile from US 31 right in the proposed district. She has multiple, multiple questions and have asked her questions individually but for the purpose of this meeting and the information that was presented she has a couple of questions. The first is regarding the preliminary rate analysis; my question is how many homes that is based on, that cost, that \$30.51 and \$60.35, is that based on the current homes that are there or do you anticipate more homes coming in or building, that sort of thing. My next question would be who is appointed to the board of this district and do taxpayers have any way of holding these people accountable. Are they appointed, are they elected, who will be on that board in case they do things that we do not like living there. Finally, where would the wastewater treatment plant be located and also the location of the water tower. Those would be my initial questions and just a statement; for those of us that live in the area I understand that what is being pitched is there is great economic growth but that is not necessarily what we want. Personally, our family moved out to where we moved to not be in the midst of economic growth so trying to suggest that this is somehow helpful to homeowners that live in the area is disingenuous because nobody asked us and it does certainly help us in terms of the types of growth we would like to live next to. With that I will sit down.

Altman asked that those questions be addressed, it might be helpful to the extent that we can address those questions.

Gutierrez answered the question regarding the rate study. The rate study was based on full capacity, what it would take to fully function and at that full functionally it is roughly 1,100 homes is what we calculate. 1,100 homes is not what is there, currently inside the district there is roughly 48. It has full capacity, we are not calculating on what it would take to function for 48 homes, obviously it will be less

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people that have to work so we have to calculate the operations. If that is the capacity that is being built. Not what is there, he is not saying 1,100 homes are magically going to appear he is saying the capacity of the utility is for roughly that much and if it is fully functioning that is what it would have pay. What the county, per the direction of the Commissioners is, in order if we are only serving 48 homes with a utility the county is going to pay a subsidy to keep those rates locked. The rates you were quoted we put as a contingency, so we worked backwards. We take the money that the county is saying they would subsidize and then we get to that number. Again, we have to calculate what it would look like if it is fully functioning. You are not going to build something for 48 people, so you have to understand we have to calculate the totality of what's being built.

Altman stated this is a public comment when you approach the podium. Altman wants this group and would expect you would all want to be respectful of this process and please don't interrupt, don't make comments, you will have your opportunity to speak at the podium. Thank you.

Sullivan addressed the district board question – the district board initially will be the Hamilton County Commissioners. There are ~~three~~ qualifying requisites, you have to be an elected official that represents the area, or you need to own real property or be a rate payor. The commissioners believe this is a unique type of government and need to have someone who understands how government works in order to lead this during the initial couple of phases. It is also like Oscar said, it is significant portion of the county's ARPA funds too so it being county funds given to us by the federal government the commissioners believe it is best interest of the county taxpayers to have them the oversight. After the term it can be anywhere from 3 to 13 members on the board of trustees with alternating terms. At that point they would be appointed by the commissioners.

Wessler answered the third question, where will the wastewater plant and water tower be located. At this current time the State of Indiana has purchased a lot of land along US 31 for all of their improvements. In the northwest quadrant of 236<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31 there is spare land that INDOT (Indiana Department of Transportation) has purchased that they do not wish to own long term. The county and INDOT have been discussing the county acquiring that land from INDOT to place the wastewater treatment plant and potentially the water tower being located there also.

Scott Griffin, 2789 N. Anthony Road

Griffin stated number one, he looks around in here and you said pdf, some of these people are probably wondering what that is. They probably do not have cell phones to do that stuff so handouts would have been appropriate for them. You said environmental impact, so you tested for E-coli so that is the big thing you are pushing, E-coli. Have you tested human or animal because there are a lot of cows and everything else running through these farmlands that could produce it. Where are you getting your

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samples from and who is doing the sampling. Altman asked he continue with his questions and then we will answer. Griffin stated after 20 years we are forced to be on it, regardless of what anybody says. My other question is why are you so concerned about this one corridor right here. It has nothing to do with Westfield, correct? Nothing to do with Westfield whatsoever, annexing this way? That is another one that he has heard about. Me, I moved to the country, I don't want your water, I don't want your sewage. So you say there is a bunch of failings out there, show me the things where all these septic's have been failing, I need to see the reports on them. I need to see the reports on where you guys did your sampling and everything else to show about the E-coli that you have done and also need to know if it is animal or human. There is two differences there. If you are saying this is coming from the aquifer I need to know how you are getting your samples from there, what side you are getting it from. Seriously, I do not want your water or sewer, I live in the country. I live right behind where they are getting ready to put the armory, I already know about the armory, it has been going on for a little while and it is right behind my house, I know. It seems like are you guys going to take other parts of the county and start doing it because you are so concerned about the E-coli stuff in the ground so you going to start making other districts throughout the whole county for other people. No, you are just concerned about this one little area for some odd reason. I would like to know what that's about. There is more to than what you are letting on, I do know that. You have a reason for doing it just right here, there is more than that but he has not heard what it is for.

Wessler reported they relied upon information from the Hamilton County Health Department who conducted testing on septic systems in the Bakers Corner community in the early 2000's believe it was 2000 thru 2002. The E-coli samples came back as positive in the William Baker Drain. At that point in time the county health department worked with the homeowners in that area to make the best possible fix to the septic systems that they could. We have worked with the county health department who supports this project to put sewers in and potable water to support the septic systems that may need to be replaced and there some other septic systems in the southwest corner of 236<sup>th</sup> Street and US 31 who have requested service because they have septic tanks that are over 40-years old and need to be replaced. That is the information we have used for the Baker's Corner Phase 1 project was the information from the county health department. They have also requested the district be expanded to include Deming who potentially has septic issues. We do not have sampling results on that at this time and I am not aware of any sampling that has been done if it has been done or not. Based upon the request from the county health department we are including that area within the boundaries of the district. There is no project planned at this time for Deming however it is to be included in the district.

Griffin replied since 2002 nothing has been tested. Altman noted comments are to be made at the podium, I will not have a debate at this meeting, that is not the intent. It is to allow everyone who wants to make a comment to make a comment and to be fair to all we will stick to these rules.

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Sullivan answered the second question about after 20 years what happens; that 10-year period does not start until the sewer passes in front of your house. This has nothing to do with what Westfield is doing, whatever Westfield is doing is independent of the county's project and priorities. Again, this came to us through federal funds that were given to the county through the American Rescue Plan Act that has one of the permitted uses as water, sewer and drinking water. There is an environmental need for it, we have federal funds to do it and that is our priority and what started it sir. Was that your last question? Griffin replied he was told this was to keep Westfield from annexing, this is what I was told. Sullivan replied no, we are independent of what Westfield is doing with Altman adding it makes no difference to us. One other comment, I have had to sit in the seat on lots of difficult decisions and discussions; Bakers Corner was probably one of the worst meetings we have ever had as Commissioners with respect to direct actions that hurt homeowners. At that area the septic systems were very, very old, not constructed to current standards. In some instances, it was hooked directly into the regulated drain. There was no holding tank, no finger system and we had a choice of shutting those people because once we know it is connected to the regulated drain it is not habitable. Luckily, those homeowners on 236<sup>th</sup> Street were able to work with the farmer behind that, at great expense, to actually purchase land to put a finger system in. It was a hideous discussion we had to have because those homeowners were facing losing their entire home. I just want to put that into perspective. Who else would like to comment?

Dawn Glynnis, 26640 Anthony Road

Glynnis asked for the sewer, you said we could file an extension for 10 years and one for five and one for five; what happens after those three extensions are expired? Altman replied as I understand it, the district can require you to connect to the system. Glynnis asked what would be the cost for that after it is in place? Altman replied it would be a connection fee and also running the line from your system to our system, if it is created. Glynnis asked what is the cost for that? Altman replied at this time you are looking 20 years down the road, and I would not speculate. I would look at the engineers to give you today's costs. Wessler replied we would estimate the connection fee that the homeowner would have to pay the district, at this time, would roughly be \$4,500. The homeowner would be required to intercept their home lateral between the house and the septic tank and pipe that to the property line and then abandon the septic tank. I can not quote what a plumber would charge for doing that on property. It could be a couple of hundred dollars, it could be a couple thousand depending on each individual circumstance. Glynnis has a geo-thermal system, and it has to loop around our yard, would that have an effect on either the water or sewer? Wessler replied quite possibly, yes. Glynnis asked if it would cause her to have a higher water bill because she uses water to cool and heat her home? Wessler replied no, if you were to split and use your well for geo-thermal; homeowners who connect to the water system are still allowed or still able to use their private well for irrigation, geo-thermal and everything else. It cannot be connected and cross piped with the drinking water supply from the county so that plumbing would have to be water purchased through the water meter but geo-thermal and irrigation can be off



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your well. Glynnis asked if that includes the farmers with animals and stuff like that; they can still use their well to water their animals? Wessler replied yes.

**Gary Zieger, 4114 236<sup>th</sup> Street**

Zieger stated you say the connection fee is free for six months, my house sits 350 foot off the street and another 100 foot to the back where everything is. Are you going to connect all that for free? Altman replied it is the connection fee, the first fee that Mr. Wessler fee talked about is a connection fee and that is what is paid into the utility to pay into the infrastructure costs. So the connection to your home is at the homeowners cost, is that correct Marty, to clarify and what is the state code distance? There is a distance that it is 300 feet from where the line is to your home. Zieger stated he is further than that. Altman stated if it extends past that it is her understanding you can not be required to connect as long as you have a solid septic system. Zieger replied that will work for me.

**Dick Euler, 65 E. 276<sup>th</sup> Street**

Egler stated he sees a lot of fellow property owners from this area, will this impact our property taxes in any way, that is my question for the Commissioners. Altman asked if that is his only question. Egler replied yes. Altman hates to say nothing will ever effect your taxes because breathing seems to, in terms of assessment directly impacting, no. However, in the event there is a subsidy to help this system grow which we anticipate will very well be the situation they would come out of general county taxes that are funded by the local income tax and property taxes. There would be no specified assessment against any one particular property within this district. To the extent there are fees associated or supplements, yes it would affect the monies we have in our coffers. But I don't anticipate given the size of the county collections that it would be a significant impact to anyone it would be shared county wide on those sources. Egler asked if there are impact fees for the developers that come in here, more than just a connection fee? Altman replied yes asking Marty to answer that. Wessler replied the developers would have to pay the connection capacity fee at roughly \$4,500 per home; the developers would be required to pay that as connection and capacity fee. They would be required to pay all connection fees with that. As far as impact fees, they are primarily dealing with the water and sewer, I do not know about impact fees for the county, I am not familiar with those. Altman asked Marty to clarify – we have talked about homes, in sewer language it is equivalent dwelling units, that is a house but if you are a business and use a lot of sewer service, say you are a meat processor or an office building with lots of water usage, your use is equivalent to how many houses. How many EDU's of sewer are you going to use so this gentleman would come in and pay for a house which we have estimated at less than \$5,000 but if I am a large office building I am a developer I will be paying more for the capacity in our sewage plant to make that development plan work. It is not a one size fit all, it is what you use and that is how basically the connection fees and the monthly rates are determined.

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Jeff Brown, 2270 E. 266<sup>th</sup> Street

Brown stated based on the construction that is going on there this is already an approved project and it is being built, correct? Altman replied no it is not. Brown stated all that construction is to move the dirt around? Sullivan replied that is INDOT doing their work, that is the state. A road project separate from our project. Sullivan confirmed with Marty that we have not even finished design. Wessler stated as Derek mentioned construction for the sewer and water would not begin until next year. Brown asked if 45 houses everyone declines, do you still build it to go out to the armory? Wessler replied that would be a question that the county, as the owner, would need to answer. Heirbrandt stated there is a lot of stipulations that go into that, the first phase as he explained, that goes into the Bakers Corner area we have put a hard stop right there. The only reason we would take that up even further is if got \$20 million from the state and they thought it was a good investment up there. There is a lot of contingencies that would go into whether it would even expand. We are not going to make a poor investment and take that up to if we do not have users. There is a lot of thought that has to go into that as to how we expand it. Altman stated that is why, quite honestly, is why we started in Bakers Corner because that is where the problem was and is. Brown asked if the people in Bakers Corner will have to connect because of failing septic tanks? Altman replied we do not know the condition; the people that bought the land and put in their finger system she knocks on wood that it is working well for them, and it is not a problem for them.

Heirbrandt wants to get this out here because there is a lot of speculation that county has money, we are going and why we are doing this. I can tell you that I have been in office now for nine years, I have talked to Sheridan, I have talked to Cicero, I have talked Indiana American Water, I have talked to Citizens about bringing clean water and sewer up to the Bakers Corner area because I see a tremendous need up in that area. Until the American Rescue Plan money came in we never really, the county did, of doing this. We got \$65 million. You think, wow we got \$65 million, well there is a lot of restrictions in terms of what you can do. You can only use it on water, wastewater, drainage, broadband or a loss you have had in revenue because of COVID, up to \$10 million. We do not have a wastewater treatment plant and we really do not want to get into the business to be honest, but this created an opportunity to be able to solve some problems over there in that area. If there was a need it could be expanded. People think we just came up with that but those restrictions, we have those restrictions on what we can use the money for. Brown replied ok.

Kimberly Chance, 3161 E. 246<sup>th</sup> Street

Chance is sorry but isn't it true that you already took bids from four different places to put this wastewater facility in and isn't it also true that you accepted a bid from Reynolds. Altman asked to let the attorney clarify with Chance replying that is fine, but she is trying to understand with Altman noting we are trying to tell you. Heirbrandt thinks she has misunderstood. Sullivan reported with Reynolds Construction we are went through the BOT (Build Operate Transfer) procurement process. This is a

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public-private partnership under Indiana Code 5-23. We sent out RFPQ's (Request for Proposals/Qualifications) nationwide to see what private entity would have interest in assisting us with this. Four entities did submit proposals for it. We had an independent scoring committee that did not have the commissioners on the scoring committee, review all four proposals and score them independently. Reynolds construction had the highest score amongst all of our scoring committee members. Us choosing them is just part of the process. It is called the scoping process. Right now our engineers and Reynolds Construction are going through the design process. We have not entered into any written agreement with Reynolds Construction, it is great to have engineers but we also need construction experts to weigh in on things to also tell you if you are going to do that it will cost this much or if you are going to do that it will likely take this much time or have you thought that you need this kind of material. It is a team that we have together right now that is going through that process. We are not even 60% of our way through design. There is a chance we get through it and it might not work. Altman added if we don't get permission it won't work. This is the process that you go through for public procurement and this particular process you go through that you accept bids you accept bids for your partner but until we execute a contract for the construction we are not obligated, nor can we be obligated because you have to go through certain processes in Indiana to provide sewer and water. It is regulated.

Chance replied that is my question, I am struggling to find and understand the benefit to the homeowners in the area other than those very few who back in 2002 and 2003 when you took the soil samples and they had an issue with septic which seems to be taken care of at least among those homeowners. I am struggling for the benefit for the rest of us that live in this district and along with that I appreciate your comment that the commissioners will be on that board but my understanding is that is an un-elected, appointed board that is a separate entity for you all. Once it is created it is its own political separate entity. Altman noted but is subject to appointments on a routine basis. Chance replied right, but it is not subject to the taxpayers. I don't get to appoint people or decide if those appointed people are good nor not or acceptable or not. As a taxpayer I don't have, I can't vote them out. Altman replied you certainly can vote for someone other than me who appoints them. Heirbrandt added and me as well with Altman stating that is the accountability. Chance asked if they could help her understand what the benefit is to the homeowners in the area other than, again these failing septic systems from 2002 and 2003 that seem to have been taken care of. Altman said thank you.

Unidentified audience member asked if they were going to answer her question? You are not going to answer her question? Altman stated like I said this is not a debate. We have gone through environmental concerns, I personally have experienced them with respect to my position on the board. We believe if we have solid sewer and water that property values will go up as a benefit and security for the homeowners there that if their septic system fails they have an alternative. To most of you in this room I presume that

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your home is your biggest investment you have made in your life and to an extent I believe, like me, it is a substantial part of your retirement. If you are a farmer your long-term benefit is probably growth and development because many of the farmers, as development has gone north, have seen huge increases in their farmland. It may not be for everyone but that alone in terms of your house security of being to be able to flush your toilets and live there is huge, at least from my experience from sitting in this seat. That is the best answer I think I can give you.

Melanie Dickerson, 2721 Arthur Baker Road

Dickerson asked if my septic or well fail will I be allowed to replace those or will I be required at that time to hook up to your sewer and water? My second question is will permits be approved if I would like to add onto my house or have a project that involves an additional bathroom. Will I be allowed to do that or will I be forced to hook up to your well and septic and also how does this effect new builds in the area, will they be required to hook up? Altman asked Marty to answer these questions. Wessler stated on the well and water that is strictly voluntary. You can not be forced to connect to the water, Dickerson asked even if her septic fails she can replace her septic system? Wessler replied your water well. Your septic tank the other part of the question, that would depend on the county health department. If there is a sewer in front of your property and you are within 300 feet I would suspect if your septic tank failed and you went to the county and applied to put a new one in they would say no, you would need to connect to the sewer. Dickerson asked about the new builds. Wessler replied if there is a sewer in front for a new build he would suspect, again, that the county would say you need to connect to the sewer instead of installing a new septic tank. It would most likely be less expensive but again he is not a plumber.

Dickerson asked her neighbors to raise their hands if you have septic that failed causing an E-coli outbreak? No hands were raised.

Steve Baitz, 29010 Albright Road

Baitz noted his home is outside the proposed area however his mother lives at 2809 E. 276<sup>th</sup> Street which is within that area. Baitz asked if the proposed lines will be run within right-of-way or are you going to take land in order to install these? Baitz appreciates the comment about raising the farmland values, that is fine if you are wanting to sell but if you are wanting to buy it is not. Altman confirmed that is a good point. Wessler stated in regard to the sewer and water, we are attempting to place it within the public right-of-way where possible. In some areas if the county were to proceed with Phase 2, extend water up to 276<sup>th</sup> Street, it is quite likely that the route they would go with water and sewer may require easements in which they would purchase easements, they would not be condemnation. They would approach landowners and would negotiate a purchase price to obtain an easement to run the water and sewer underground through their property.



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Cory Hayden, 2203 Hinkle Road

Hayden asked if you live more than 300 feet off the road do you still have to file for the exemption for your septic tank or I would not have to worry about it? Altman replied that is a good question, she does not know. Hayden asked if they decide to not hook up for any of it and if you still have a septic tank 300 feet off will there be a penalty fee involved for not doing it. Wessler asked to clarify what he means by penalty for not hooking up. Sullivan confirmed he is saying if you are within that 300 feet and you are required to hook up and you don't hook up, is that what you are saying? Hayden confirmed that was correct. Sullivan replied at that point we might have to look into it, potentially could be a health code violation depending on your septic, but we would have to look into it. Wessler confirmed that was right and if he is beyond the 300 feet they would have to look into it. Heirbrandt asked that they get an answer to these questions. Altman stated we will post it, I don't know why we wouldn't post it on the website, have not thought of that with Sullivan confirming we will put it on the website so everyone can see it.

Blair Fry, 27810 N. Anthony Road

Fry thanked everyone for this time to be here, he knows it is a thankless job. A couple of questions, you have mentioned the information will be posted on some website, if you can give us to the best of your ability the address tonight so we can write it down, that would be helpful. Altman replied it is [www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov](http://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov). Fry asked if this will be on the home page with Altman replying we will figure out a good link. If you can not find it, again if you would, call the commissioners office and tell us you are having problems, so we fix it. Fry asked who do we contact with further questions beyond tonight? Altman asked they be funneled through the county administrator with Altman asking if CJ Taylor would be able to handle the questions? Mr. Taylor replied most likely not, that will probably have to be Marty. Altman confirmed she understands that, but could he be a point of contact? Taylor replied sure. Sullivan believes the website has the contact information and we could possibly create an email address specifically for this project. Sullivan is not a technology person but is sure it is easy to create that. Wessler clarified, the public notice that everyone received has the point of contact for written comments or questions as Mr. Dan Stevens, Administrator.

Fry asked, the number 48 homes is that just Phase 1 because when the map was put up in his head he was thinking the entire district and that is why everyone laughed. Gutierrez replied that is what existing inside the district right now. Wessler added that is the home count for where the sewer lines are going in front or behind their homes in Phase 1. Fry confirmed that is not the entire district. Wessler replied no sir, we mailed over 800 letters. Fry asked if he can get an idea of how many commercial and residential requests have been made to build into this district and when do you anticipate that to start? Sullivan replied, this may be for CJ Taylor our planning director who is here as well, part of it is not within our zoning jurisdiction, part of it is within Jackson Township and they would likely know more. Sullivan

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asked CJ if we have any developers that have petitioned on our side at this point in time, it may be more gossip at this point in time. Once we receive it, it would go through our plan commission with a public hearing, whatnot but I don't think we have anything officially on that. Fry stated it sounds like with some of the comments being made that Phase 1 priority with maybe Phase 2 will not happen? Heirbrandt replied that is a possibility. Fry thanked them for their time.

Rick Hall. 27401 N. Dunbar Road

Hall stated most of the district is currently zoned agricultural, can we get an overlay of current zoning and is it your expectation that you are going to rezone this area for development? Altman asked CJ to speak. Taylor replied no, there will not be rezoning done but we are proposing a US 31 overlay district corridor from US 31 to Dunbar Road from the county line down to 216<sup>th</sup> Street. We are looking at any type of use in that zone going forward to be a commercial use. Hall stated that is zone he lives in, personally. Taylor stated we will not change the zoning that is there other than there are two or three parcels that zoned office currently that just for the ease of the revision to our zoning ordinance they will be changed to C-1 which is three to four parcels involved in that. Everything that is ag now will remain zoned as agriculture and can continue on that way. If someone wants to do any kind of development in that area then it will have to meet the US 31 overlay zoning district. Hall asked what about the rest of the district, outside of the corridor as you just mentioned. Taylor replied there is no plan to rezone anything. Hall asked how many households are in the district today? Taylor does not have that number. Wessler stated they mailed roughly 800 public notices to the addresses. Hall stated that is landowners, he assumes as opposed to households. Sullivan thinks there is 540 households in the area, around that number from the census tract information we just received.

Hall asked if he has the option of electing in for just water or just sewer independent of one another? Sullivan replied yes. Hall asked if he could get a list of all of those 800 individuals that you sent letters to along with those addresses? Wessler replied yes, they are actually an attachment to the petition which will be filed with IDEM because IDEM wants them because IDEM will mail notices to the same people. Hall asked if he could get it ahead of your filing? Sullivan stated we will have a draft petition available in our Director of Administration's office located directly behind this room. It will be viewable during business hours Monday thru Friday. Hall asked if could get an electronic copy of that draft? Sullivan replied we are not sending out electronic copies at this time because it is a draft. Once it is finalized we will put it on the finalized but not in draft form. Hall asked if he could make copies of that list while I am in the office? Altman replied it is a public record. Hall asked under Freedom of Information I can file for this? Altman and Sullivan both told Hall he can just make a copy; he does not need to submit a formal request unless he wants to. Hall noted sometimes you have to; some people want their I's dotted and T's crossed. Altman replied we are a little friendlier than that. Hall asked on the website they will have access to, will all of the comments from tonight and going forward be placed there for all of us,

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800 people, to see both the comments, questions, and responses to those questions. Sullivan stated we have not contemplated that but part of the petition we will file with IDEM will include the meeting minutes from tonight. It is being recorded and transcribed and will be part of our petition. At that point this meeting, your questions, comments and our responses and everything that is being recorded will be part of that petition. Hall asked, there is a 30-day period before you file per code. Wessler replied all written comments will be attached to the petition that is filed with IDEM. Hall asked if there will be responses from whoever had an answer when that comment is a question. Altman stated we will have minutes of this public comment, it will include both comments and include everything that has transacted today. Hall is going to send you a very specific question, hence my comment such as how many households in the area or what is this area zoned or whatever it is, but he would like to see, this is what I would like to see on this website my comment posted so all these other people can see the question I asked and the county's response to that. Altman does not believe we will be doing that. This is your opportunity to ask your questions. Hall stated he has to go to IDEM next to get that answer. Altman replied correct. Hall stated that is what he is trying to figure out. Sullivan stated the website has the Director of Administration's contact and if you do have questions we will try to answer them. Hall stated landowners have 180-day period with what to object this filing and if so then the proposal fails. Sullivan stated they have to object through IDEM. Hall stated right, after you file. We have 180 days after the majority of the landowners object through a signature petition then the proposal fails. Sullivan noted there will still be a hearing. Hall stated but that is what the code says. Sullivan stated yes. Hall stated they will not approve it; they will fail the application. Sullivan stated not without a hearing, just because you have over a majority with Hall interjecting the code does not read that way to me. Sullivan replied that is ok. Altman stated I will leave that to the attorneys with Heirbrandt stating yes. Hall stated they cannot override our objections. Altman stated ok, do you have anything else specifically because we have been. Hall interrupted stating he will go to IDEM and I will get you guy's addresses and you will be hearing from me.

Charles Duckwall, 27027 N. Arthur Baker Road

Duckwall stated he used to work in municipal utilities so he certainly understands and does not disagree with the concepts of clean water and sewer and how it can help the municipality and the people living there, those are important steppingstones to providing a good clean place for people to live. I get that. I would argue that everyone in this room if you are picking up on what your constituents are leaning into is we did not move to this part of Hamilton County in order to become part of a larger municipality. It was primarily to be in a country setting probably with a septic and well with the full understanding of that. The questions that I have, there is one question that I have, is this all ARPA funding or is this including state funding, county taxes, how is this exactly going to be funded? Gutierrez replied it is \$35 million with \$25 million from the county ARPA funding and \$10 million from the state ARPA money. The preliminary number is \$43 million, could be less, could be more. This is just preliminary numbers.

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There would be \$8 million bonded to make up the difference which the county would subsidize if there were not enough users. Duckworth asked if it would be through taxes eventually? Gutierrez replied not specific to your district, to the entire county. Duckworth stated the next piece is can you take the funding, and we all buy a new septic.

The last comment is simply he would like to revisit the zoning conversation because further than one-half a mile out for light commercial. Wessler explained the yellow is within a half-mile of US 31, as we were doing flow estimates for calculating potential flow for wastewater plant that was for commercial. The light green would be residential. Duckworth asked to see the slide with the most districts with zoning; asking if that is actually half a mile, it looks like a mile to me up on 276<sup>th</sup> based on landmarks, am I incorrect? Wessler replied it is a half mile to Dunbar to the west. Duckworth appreciated the time.

**Steven Allell, 4030 E. 225<sup>th</sup> Street**

Allell stated, you talked about the right-of-way that you would have access to, what is the right-of-way, area they different on different roads, what is that distance. Is it measured from the center of the road or edge of the pavement, where does that right-of-way for you fall? Wessler replied with a caveat stating he is not a transportation engineer. From our investigation the best answer I can give you is it depends. There are some roads that are perpetual easement, the county only maintains the road width with Dunbar Road being an example. There is no county right-of-way off of the road. Anthony Road, 236<sup>th</sup> Street the improvements going on at Anthony Road the county is purchasing right-of-way from the landowners to widen 236<sup>th</sup> Street so that has maybe an 80-foot right-of-way, 40 foot either side of the centerline of the road. It can vary anywhere just from just to the edge of pavement to a 40 foot from the center. Allell asked if they have a master plan, when you have all the pipes laid where we can see where all the pipes might be and where all the right-of-ways might be utilized. Wessler replied at this time sir we do not. Sullivan added we have not finished design yet. Allell asked when do they anticipate that design to be done? Wessler replied, the design for Phase 1 should be done and applying for permits in late fall, early winter of this year. There is no time frame, obviously we do not know if we are going to do Phase 2 and the timeline for a further plan for the whole district is unknown.

**Scott Griffin, 2789 N. Anthony Road**

Griffin stated when he came up here earlier everyone was laughing because you said 48 homes and now it is 800. Gutierrez stated along the line. Sullivan replied 800 is within the whole district sir. Griffin stated there is 800 homes with Sullivan noting that is 800 addresses within the district, the 48 are the initial Bakers Corner area which is the 236<sup>th</sup> Street US 31 area. The district as you saw with the bigger red boundary with Griffin stating yes, I know which one it is and it is spaced quite a bit and he was trying to figure out if there 800 homes out through the country where I drive the roads everyday and look at them. Sullivan confirmed 800 addresses. Griffin's second question is when do you guys send



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your application to the state to get approved for a district? Sullivan replied sometime in July. Griffin repeated sometime in July you are sending it out, regardless? Sullivan replied no, we have not decided. Griffin challenged that is what you just said, sometime in July. Sullivan replied that is when we it is anticipated. Griffin confirmed no matter what goes on here you are ready to proceed? Sullivan stated we will take your comments and consider them, but we will... Griffin interrupted stating you are proceeding, that is what you are saying. Sullivan replied likely. Griffin stated basically nobody has a comment here that matters, that is what you just said. Altman replied no, with Griffin stating no, no, no I just asked him a direct question and he said yes. Altman stated I am in charge of the meeting and we are the decision makers, he is trying to explain to you the process. Griffin replied right, he is your legal advisor. Altman stated the timeline is we anticipate filing in July with Griffin stating yes. Altman continued, these comments will be considered by the commissioners before we sign any petition or file anything sir. Griffin stated and you are buying water from Sheridan to sell to us? Altman stated we are buying water from Indiana American Water. Griffin stated from Sheridan, right? Altman replied well, it is from that plant. Griffin stated it is from Sheridan. Altman replied thank you sir.

Joseph Box, 3550 E. 246<sup>th</sup> Street

Box stated his first question is for Commissioner Heirbrandt – you have been quoted as saying by the Indiana Business Journal that roughly 1,000 homes will be brought to the area which should happen quickly. Do you have any indication where these homes are going to happen or is that too early in the process? Heirbrandt replied too early in the process. Box stated additionally with the commercial you want on to make statements about jobs, growth, and commercial with Heirbrandt stating it could be. Box confirming it is similar, too early to tell in the process. Heirbrandt confirmed it is too early to tell but it could be.

Box's second question is more of a clarifying question, the \$4,500 number that was thrown out earlier, was that the connection fee that would be waived if hooked up in the first six months. Wessler replied we do not have the exact costs of the connection fee, the \$4,500 would be what is referred to as a capacity fee or an EDU or system development charge, it's per home for the capacity in the wastewater plant and sewer.

Box's last question – where their home is now located on a main or gravity system and within the first initial six months of this setting it is his understanding in this first six months that fee could be waived. If further developments down the road enable a main to be placed within distance to then keep up one of the systems would the fee be waived then or after the six months of the initial Phase 1 would that nullify that waived fee? Wessler stated what they can offer is our advice to the Board at that time but typically it would be six months from the time the sewer is placed in the front of your house is placed in service. When the sewer is placed in service and deemed operational all homeowners along the route will receive

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a letter notifying them that it is complete, and it is in. Most people will have watched it going in and will know when it is there. That notice will provide the timeframe for those six months. Box stated he appreciated it.

Scott Wilson, Wilson Farm Market, 1720 E. 256<sup>th</sup> Street

Wilson stated he resides in Cicero, but this is the location of his business. Do you guys or are you aware of any specific plans for the armory? Heirbrandt asked in regard to development? Wilson replied anything, development anything beyond it being owned since 2014, at least that is what GIS says. Heirbrandt reported they have been in discussions with Colonel Hines asking Wessler to discuss the timeline. Wessler stated they have met with Colonel Hines; I have personally been involved in two meetings with him. At our last meeting, which was roughly 45 days ago, perhaps 60 days ago, he stated their plan was to have the project out for bids early next year, early to summer next year, potentially construction starting next summer with an official occupancy or starting up in the first quarter of 2025. That was their timeframe 45 to 60 days ago. Wilson replied the armory gets thrown around a lot and it is easy to throw around because God Bless America because nobody is going talk bad against the armory, so it is easy to use that as a prop up for 276<sup>th</sup>. The elephant in the room is that we know, I am one that is going to lose a business, and we know this is really more about development which I get. I hope we get our exchange at 256<sup>th</sup> and the sewer is going to run right by but there are plenty of multi-generational landowners here that you can tell there is a little bit of overt hostility in the room, and I get that from the other side of the fence. Anyone that has lived out here knows the prospectors are out. These guys are knocking on doors and trying to buy farm ground. That leads to that hostility. For everybody behind me if you have not looked at the US 31 overlay district there is 200 pages that Mr. Taylor is working on with pretty tight constraints on how development is going to proceed. It looks good and it might help ease some pain of what is happening. We live in the country for a reason noting he does not, he lives in town. People are in the country for a reason. My last question is when you look at the overall district why the boundary on Anthony on the Jackson Township side of the road is, why is that boundary wider covering more square feet. You might be able to alleviate some complaints or some concerns if we just focus down on just talking about the US 31 corridor and US 31 overlay district. Heirbrandt asked Marty to talk about the boundaries.

Wessler stated he can attempt to answer the question why the boundaries were drawn. The boundaries were drawn based upon requests from the county, from the township trustees, from the health department and from other individuals. Wilson replied ok.

Cory Hayden, 2203 Hinkle Road

Hayden asked if we could get a link on the county's website to go to the IDEM website that deals with this project. Can we have a link installed that is a quick click on that takes us straight to there. Wessler

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does not believe that IDEM has a link for this, this has not been filed with IDEM. Hayden did not know if they had a future projects link to click on and see the webpage. Wessler replied not that I am aware of.

**Ron Lantzer. 10522 E. 206<sup>th</sup> Street**

Lantzer stated he has a mother-in-law that lives in this area. The question would be, would Dunbar be the main route going north with the main truck line? Heirbrandt asked for the sewer? Lantzer confirmed for the sewer and asked how far would you veer off of that? Wessler replied for Phase 2 extending north to 276<sup>th</sup>? Lantzer replied yes. Wessler stated currently it is laid out that the county will attempt to purchase easements along the west side of US 31. Lantzer replied so it would be up towards US 31. Wessler continued it would be straight adjacent to US 31. Lantzer stated that is what he needed to know, thank you.

**Gerard Goodbold, 2130 E. 226<sup>th</sup> Street**

Goodbold noted he is hearing impaired and did not hear everything that was said but I believe in the initial briefing he heard that one of the purposes of this meeting or this project was to get rid of septic systems, am I right or wrong? Sullivan replied failed septic systems, sir. Altman stated septic systems that are not working. Goodbold asked if that is a yes or a no? Sullivan replied failing septic systems, not just any septic system. If it is working and meets health codes then you have that 10-year period of time. Goodbold confirmed we have 10 years? Sullivan replied yes if it goes in front of your house. Goodbold replied that is more than he has. Wessler clarified that 10 years, it would be 10 years exemption from the time the sewer goes in front of your property. Not 10 years from today or 10 years from Phase 1. Unidentified audience member commented, right you get five year then five year and after that you are forced to be on, by state law. Wessler replied the county district may require you to connect. Unidentified audience member asked if state law requires you to be on it? Wessler replied state law says the district may require you, not shall require.

**Scott Griffin. 2789 N. Anthony Road**

Griffin stated you guys are saying you are going to purchase easements, so what happens if that person does not want to accept yours. Are you going to force, like condemn and take? Wessler cannot answer if it would be condemned or taken. Griffin asked if it is eminent domain that you guys would be doing? Wessler replied we would work with the county and the district to identify other potential routes, that is typically how it goes. If we are not dealing with a willing landowner who would allow and grant an easement then we work with the owner to identify other potential routes. So therefore, we typically look to put it in public right-of-way where possible so we do not have to pay for easements. Griffin stated right but understands earlier you were talking about a lot of these county roads don't have easements on each side of them. They just go from there, side to side. Wessler knows Dunbar is that one, that is the one I know of. Griffin replied but you said several when you said that. Wessler replied I said it could be

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perpetual easement sir, it could be easement to Griffin interrupted stating his other question is too that you guys did not answer earlier are you guys going to be creating these districts throughout Hamilton County or is it just for this one here for a certain reason? Heirbrandt stated we only have a limited amount of ARPA dollars that we would put in. Griffin stated if you put in that section right here, wastewater and water, you control that area. You control it and nobody can annex it in. Altman stated that is incorrect with Heirbrandt stating that is totally false. Griffin replied he was fed wrong information. Altman asked to clarify; this area with Griffin interrupting and Altman stating sir, if you want an answer go ahead and make your comment within the two minutes or ask a question, you have two choices. If you ask a question you have to allow us to answer the question. Griffin replied ok, go ahead. Altman stated this district was picked in this location because it is a known problem that we have experience with. We had the opportunity to fix a known problem in this area. You ask if we are going to create multiple, it's not necessary unless we know of a reason to put in another regional district. Ultimately at some point my guess is the towns and the cities will be annexing most of northern Hamilton County. That is how the growth pattern went south. Once they annex it is their problem with sewer and water. Right now there is nobody else in the central area to fix the problem. Griffin stated he can accept that. So, what is the big concern that Hamilton County have to do it, why do you guys have to do it and all of the sudden come towards everybody and force them to be on stuff they do not want to be on. Altman stated this is geographically in the middle of the northern part of the county. We don't have anyone close to run sewer lines out from municipal sewers. We have a known problem; we have the opportunity with federal funding to do a fix. Griffin replied ok, so you are telling me right now that Westfield can come in an annex your... Altman stated if they annex then it becomes their problem if it is outside our district. Griffin stated no, no, no that is what he just said that Westfield cannot annex in your district. Altman replied incorrect, they can annex municipal territory, but they cannot take over the sewer system because it is now provided. It would be a waste of resource for them to be able to put sewers when sewers are there. Griffin stated he does not understand you guys wanting to spend all this money and all this time and already accepted bids and stuff and the question he asked a little bit ago are you proceeding with everything it is like it is already a done deal it is like nobody really has an opinion here it is just like another forum for you to hear a bunch of people talking. I asked him a direct question, your lawyer and he says yah we are going to proceed. Altman replied no, I think with Sullivan interjecting we are anticipating, we said that a few times prior. Altman stated we can't do anything without IDEM ok, we can plan, we can do the preliminary work. It is ultimately up to the state whether this system goes in or not in a regional district. Griffin replied ok but I don't understand how you guys are basing something off a 2002. Have you guys done a recent study? Have you guys took your tests, your water tests. Tested for E-coli, is it up to date. Where do I find these specs out, where do I find all this stuff that I can find out that you guys have done that. Altman stated sir, again, check with the health department. I know there is a problem and at this point I would ask that you please sit down so others can ask questions. Griffin stated I understand you have that problem, but you are the ones here that are



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doing it, not the health department. You guys are here now, you guys should have the answers for us. It is not to be run around in circles by everybody. We are asking you guys. Heirbrandt stated this is the first of many public hearings. Griffin stated right and you guys should have the questions. Altman stated again sir, this is not a debate. Griffin stated he is not debating you I am just asking questions. Altman stated it is now at the point where I would ask you to please sit down, if you have further questions or comments write them in. You have had three or four chances at the podium and others have not. Griffin replied he thought this was a public meeting. They can stand up; I don't care but I have several I want to ask you and I am not getting them. You are not answering them.

Altman asked if anyone else would care to come up and ask a question, make a comment. Let's keep it to two minutes.

**Unidentified Speaker**

I am looking at the proposed rates, I am looking at the map that 30 and 65 or whatever the numbers were, is that for everybody inside the red boundary, or just folks hooking in or people that are outside where the proposed piping is going to be because he lives outside the piping area. This is a big area; your work is going to be very limited to US 31 essentially. Wessler replied that would be for people who are connected. Speaker asked if you are outside that area and if you are not connected you are not paying any bills to the district for water/sewer. Gutierrez confirmed if you are inside the area and are not connected you are not paying any bills.

**Curtis Kitchen, 2941 E. 241<sup>st</sup> Street**

Kitchen stated it is a good thing, clean water and sewage is a necessary thing, we learned that a long time ago. What my question would be now is why isn't the east side of 236<sup>th</sup> Street, a small sub-community in there which there are several older homes in there but most of them are newer say 50 to 60 years old. Why is that not included sooner in this extension up to 276<sup>th</sup> Street? Heirbrandt stated it is included in the first phase. Altman asked Marty to clarify the phases. Heirbrandt stated it will happen way before the second phase. Wessler stated Mr. Kitchen, the initial phase is the four-square mile immediately surrounding 236<sup>th</sup> and US 31 so a mile each way. The east side of 236<sup>th</sup> Street is included. Kitchen replied ok, for some reason he was thinking they were not included. Wessler replied no.

**Tami Clark, 4411 E. 281<sup>st</sup> Street**

Clark stated her parents live at 4411 E. 281<sup>st</sup> Street. I understand there was an issue back in 2002 in Bakers Corner. I understand you had some samples from them, so why now 20 years later is it now an issue that is prompting all this work that is going to be one. Why do we wait 20 years to do this? Wessler replied lack of funding. Heirbrandt added that is the only reason it is being looked at is because of the ARPA money. Clark replied ok, just curious.

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Pete Jarvis, 28210 N. Dunbar Road

Jarvis stated the first question I have is a little bit related, you keep saying that this is in response to a known problem but that known problem, from what I can hear, is 40 homes plus or minus. Why the 760 other addresses, there is known problem there. Why does the district include all these areas that there isn't a known problem, most of us would rather be excluded from the district. If there is a known problem then why is it not just district or that area identified as the area of the solution as opposed to this very large district that then carries with it requirements of additional sewer lines that go down our street in the future where we are basically forced to comply with these requirements. You want me to ask multiple? Heirbrandt asked him to go ahead. Jarvis asked just as a point of clarification, I guess, the sewer exemption which I think is what you are referring to is the 10 years or five years, does it follow that Indiana Code. Wessler replied yes. Jarvis asked from a clarification standpoint for everybody here, that's not really an exemption unless you meet all those requirements, your system is less than five years old, you have a burden with...Altman interrupted stating you are incorrect. If your system is functioning properly in the 10-year period, in the five-year period, in the five-year period you are not required to connect to the system because you have an effective septic system. Jarvis replied again I have no familiarity with the code other than the 10 minutes of me trying to look it up, but it does appear that you actually have to have a system that is installed less than five years before with Altman stating no, the age of your system is immaterial. It has to be a properly functioning septic system for you to receive the exemption. Jarvis responded it appears that the burden is on the homeowner though to prove that. Altman responded that is a Marty question. Wessler asked if Jarvis had any more questions? Jarvis has a feasibility question that may require a plumber so I will just throw it out there and if it does not get answered tonight that is fine. I guess I am not familiar with a sewer line system like this where homes are required to be 110 feet from the road, that is an ordinance on Dunbar Road you have to be 110-foot setback to build a home on Dunbar Road or most of the roads in the county now. I know this because I had to basically be in here to get a variance to put a porch on a house. At 110 feet or 120 feet of sewer line that means that sewer has got to be either 15 feet deep at a 1/8 inch per foot or 30 feet deep at a 1/4 inch per foot for gravity to actually get our sewage to the sewer line. I don't know how deep your sewer lines is planning on being but for a home like ours to actually connect to a sewer line we would be talking about digging a trench that's 20 feet deep if then for gravity to work. Altman replied that is inaccurate, it is where the sewer line is in front of your house at that depth is where you dig to, to connect to your sewer line. Jarvis replied right but gravity still has to flow downwards. You have to at least have 1/8 or 1/4 inch per foot depending on code and at 120 feet that is either 15 feet of depth in order to have functional gravity so I would argue that the feasibility or costs of getting someone to basically dig a 15-foot-deep trench is going to be over burdening. Jarvis stated you can shake your head at me like that, but I have two engineering degrees and I understand gravity. Altman replied understood but per your analysis there would be no new homes built asking Marty to answer that. Jarvis replied no

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there wouldn't be homes that are 120 feet from the sewer line. There would be lots of new homes built but there wouldn't be homes that are 120 feet from the sewer line that serves them and your code in this county requires that may house be 110 feet from the street which is where the sewer line would be. A new home built on Dunbar Road is going to require 120 feet of sewer line to connect to the sewer which means it is going to have a minimum depth at 1/8 inch per foot of 15 feet. Heirbrandt asked Marty if he could check into that. Wessler replied actually he can answer all three of the questions. Jarvis stated ok and that may be basically, I am not a plumber, I don't deal with it, it seems like a feasibility issue. I guess my last comment is on home value and after that I will sit down. The comment was made about this being an improvement to home values, I know most of the people who seek to live where we live, a lot of people are looking for land out in the country now would actually consider it a degradation of their home value to be on city sewer and city water.

Wessler replied with regard to the exemption from code, code actually changed earlier this year through House Enrolled Act 1245 that updated and revised Indiana Code 13-26 to provide for an exemption. The exemption is, as we stated in loose terms, is 10 years from the date the sewer that you are notified that sewer goes in front or behind or to the side of your property and you are to connect. Then there are two five-year extensions if the county grants them. You are correct in that the homeowner needs to apply to the county health department. We have talked to the county health department with this being a new revision to the code there is not a process set up yet by the county health department to handle the exemptions yet. I don't know this may be the first regional sewer/water district created in Hamilton County, that I am aware of and so the county health department is now going to be working to set up that process if this petition goes through and is granted by IDEM then the county health department would set up that process. Does that answer the question on the exemption? We actually and Derek put that the link to the new code in the presentation so that will be there on Indiana's IGA website. Travis replied ok, it answers the question of it not needing to be five years old or maybe I am looking at an old version of the code. Wessler stated the age of the system now does not matter in the new updated code. Jarvis replied but it is the burden of the homeowner to prove they have a functional system to health department to get that exemption. In a case like ours and probably a lot of people in this room the health department has no records of our septic system so they will not approve anything having to do with my septic system so there is no way for a lot of us to probably get that exemption. Wessler stated he can not speak to what the health department will or will not do. Jarvis replied ok, I would just request that it not be stated that we could basically all apply for this exemption because for most of us we probably will not be able to get it. It should be a little bit more tentative in terms of how it is communicated because it is not realistic to claim we can get a 10-year exemption and a five and a five because we have the burden of proving to the health department that we have a system that complies with their requirements. For a lot of us homes built in the country over the past 30, 40, 50, 100 years they do not have the records necessary for us to demonstrate or prove that we actually have a system that they would consider

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exemptible. That is my opinion, I guess. Having pulled permits and having them deny my permits because they don't know where my system is and making me have the burden of proof that it is adequate I guess I have that experience.

Wessler stated with the regard to the depth I believe if it is an 1/8 inch per foot slope and you are 120 feet from the road that would be 120 inches divided by 8 so that is 15 inches of fall, not 15 feet. Wessler noted Bob Holden has three engineering degrees from Purdue. Someone from the audience asked how deep do you have to be for 300 feet? Wessler replied for 300 feet you are probably right at five to five and a half feet.

Altman asked for anyone else that cares to address the board to form a que line so we have an idea of who all is left. If you have not spoken, if you care to speak if you come up to the podium and form a que line so we can come to the point of making sure we allow everyone who has a comment to speak. If you will wait one minute so we don't interrupt the speaker asking anyone else that wishes to speak to form the que line, she would appreciate it.

**Dave Smith. 3311 E. 266<sup>th</sup> Street**

Smith stated the big red box, if you are in the extreme corner of the big red box you are two miles of US 31, what kind of timeframe would there be to be able to hook up to sewer or is it even possible that far out. I guess I am confused, you have to be 300 feet from US 31 how is somebody two miles away going to hook up to it. Altman stated the 300 feet is your home to the sewer line and the sewer lines will be branches asking Wessler to explain the system. Wessler stated if you are out, east of US 31 out by Cal Carson? Smith replied yes. Wessler explained you are within the district, there are no immediate plans right now to extend water and sewer out to Cal Carson. Smith confirmed that may or may not happen with Wessler stating it may or may not happen, correct.

**Jay McKinney. 2610 E. 266<sup>th</sup> Street**

McKinney asked if it was stated there are around 48 homes that needed septic repairs for maintenance, they had issues that were unacceptable? Altman replied I believe the statement was there were 48 homes on the initial sewer line. Gutierrez stated when you build the line it will touch 48 existing homes that will then have to decide. Like the gentleman asked he could be within the district but may not have immediate access. The district encompasses almost 800 addresses with every address within the prescribed district will have access to a direct line. McKinney thinks the initial comments were that this was initially planned to alleviate septic issues that did have issues or were leaking, has there been any data or study of how many homes have issues or having septic issues. Wessler replied our discussions with the health department in talking with Jason and Amy at the health department where that they attempted to



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fix as many as they could in Bakers Corner and that some of them were done to a standard that was not up to standards and they have no doubt there are some issues in that area.

McKinney asked if it has been considered to get grants to, he would assume, less than 800 homes in the current area to repair the current septic systems and to coincide with that to shrink the district into a smaller area that is concentrated on where the growth is expected to happen. What is it 1,100 homes were expected? Heirbrandt replied that was the whole purpose of Phase 1 and Phase 2. McKinney stated so the growth of Phase 1 and Phase 2 is where the expected homes and revitalization will happen? Heirbrandt replied yes, that is where we were think it would be.

Cory Hayden, 2203 Hinkle Road

Hayden confirmed the maximum distance from the road is about 300 feet and anything farther than that you are not going to be required to hook up? Altman replied it is the sewer line, correct Marty, the connection point is the sewer line? Wessler replied he will have to research that; I am not 100 percent positive to say with certainty that its 300 feet from, if your house is 300 feet from the sewer line or sometimes it is interpreted that if a sewer line is within 300 feet of your house or your property. I think there may be some gray area, I am not 100 percent sure. Altman stated we will clarify that and post it.

Tami Clark, 4411 E. 281<sup>st</sup> Street

Clark thinks they said they are sending the letter to IDEM in July to get this project approved, was that correct or did I misunderstand that? Sullivan replied it is our petition to IDEM. Altman stated a petition is to ask IDEM for permission to proceed with this system. Clark clarified that is not asking for permission to build this system and to move forward, it is just. Altman replied no, it is permission. Wessler stated the petition is to create the district, there are two separate answers to your question. The petition, the county has to wait at least 30 days and receive written comment for 30 days after this hearing. Then the county commissioners have to make the final decision whether they are going to submit the petition to IDEM or not and if the commissioners decided to submit the petition to IDEM that cannot happen any sooner than 30 days from tonight. That is to create the district and that will become the entity that owns and operates the utility. Then the construction of the actual sewer and water pipes, the engineering has to be done, the plans have to be drawn up and then those have to be submitted to IDEM to the construction permits branch to apply for a permit to build it. When those permits are obtained from IDEM and DNR and other agencies, when those permits are obtained then the contractor can begin to build the sewer and water plants. Clark confirmed, the first step is to ask permission to form the district and then at one point I thought you said IDEM will have another public hearing to get input. I think some of the concern is people are concerned that they are not being heard, you are going to move forward in July and submit the request already without being able to submit written comments and all of that. It sounds like it is probably going to be the end of July if it is 30 days from today so they can still

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submit written comments over the next 30 days and then there will be another hearing with IDEM whenever. Wessler replied yes, then when IDEM receives the petition then they will assign it to a hearing officer, the hearing officer will then announce and publicly notice and provide notice to all the property owners for another public hearing. The hearing officer conducts it, the county does not.

Audience member asked where will that hearing be held, here or Indianapolis? Wessler replied that will be up to IDEM, by statute it has to be within 10 miles of the district area.

Altman thanked everyone for appearing and expressing your concerns. There are some areas obviously we need to clarify, which we will, and we will post those answers. Remember you do have 30 days if you have other comments to make to submit them and it is in the notice Mr. Stevens.

Audience member announced if they want to organize we are going to meet out here.

Altman and Heirbrandt thanked everyone for coming.

Hearing adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

**Present**

Christine Altman, Commissioner  
Mark Heirbrandt, Commissioner  
Connor Sullivan Assistant County Attorney  
Martyn Wessler, Wessler Engineering  
Bob Holden, Wessler Engineering  
Derek Urban, Wessler Engineering  
Oscar Gutierrez, Bondry Management Consulting  
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CJ Taylor, Hamilton County Plan Commission Director  
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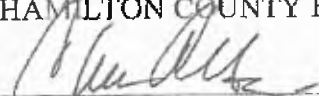
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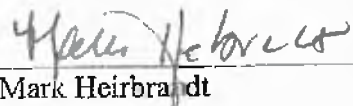


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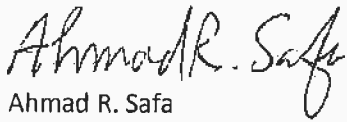
Re: Hearing given pursuant to Ind. Code 13-26-2-2.5

Dear Mr. Dan Stevens,

I would like to receive notice of IDEM's decision on the public hearing regarding the establishment of the Hamilton County Regional Utility District ("Regional Utility District").

Thank you very much,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ahmad R. Safa". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'A' and 'S'.

Ahmad R. Safa  
3685 Castle Rock Drive  
Zionsville, IN 46077  
317-698-1952



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June 27, 2022

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Dear Mr. Stevens:

Please send East Union Christian Church updates on the decisions that IDEM makes on the matter of the Hamilton County Regional Utility District as the church is located on the southeast corner of US 31 and 296<sup>th</sup> St. Send mail to the attention of the Trustees.

Thank you,

East Union Christian Church  
Attn: Trustees  
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Dear Mr. Stevens:

Please send my wife and I updates on the decisions that IDEM makes on the matter of the Hamilton County Regional Utility District as we live in the boundary lines on 256<sup>th</sup> st west of US 31.

Thank you,

Richard and Julie Pulley  
771 E 256<sup>th</sup> St  
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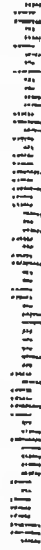
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June 30, 2022

Attn: Mr. Dan Stevens  
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Dear Mr. Stevens,

My husband and I attended the June 27<sup>th</sup> hearing regarding the Regional Utility District. We are strongly opposed to the entire proposed project, specifically Phase 2 which encompasses our home at the corner of 281<sup>st</sup> Street and Cal Carson Road in Jackson Township.

We think the \$45 million could be better spent. We would rather have affordable high speed broadband internet access than sewage and water. At least this option would benefit those rural homes with school age children who were fundamentally penalized during the Covid pandemic and restricted to home eLearning.

Based on the information presented and discussed at the meeting, your logic is based on 20-year-old statistics, most of the issues in Phase 1 have since been remedied at the expense of the homeowners that experienced the specific issues, and you need a significant number of homes yet to attain the break even point on the project. (1100 needed and currently at 48 homes)

We do not foresee the "huge" demand in the immediate future in Phase 2 of the plan as mentioned in the letter sent to the homeowners. Apart from the National Guard Armory, much of the property in that area is farm ground owned or rented by Beck's Hybrids for agricultural seed production so development of homes will be limited. It is also my understanding from neighbors that multiple wells were already drilled last summer on the Armory property.

We maintain our sewage system and we have two water filter systems in place to filter drinking water in our home. Our water has been tested in the past and the results were satisfactory. We feel safer with our well water than the chemicals

that would be added in your scenario. My mother is on city water in Arcadia, and if you could get past the smell and color of the water coming out of the faucet, you might be able to drink the water, but she elects to buy bottled water and also has to have a filter on her kitchen sink.

Especially in our inflationary economy, the financial burdens to homeowners within the proposed utilities project far outweigh the benefits to the majority of those people within the scope of the project for water and/or sewage. It was obvious that most of the people, if not all of those in attendance of the hearing strongly felt the same way as was evidenced by their comments and questions and informal poll.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Dorinda Lawson*

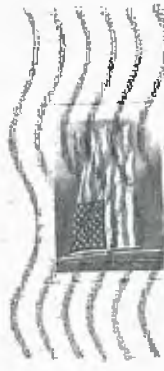
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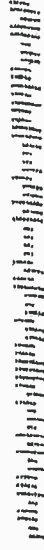
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Christine & Ed Lino  
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would like to submit public  
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June 18, 22

Wessler Engineering

Re: Proposed Infrastructure  
Bakers Corner Area

To Whom it May Concern:

I am a homeowner who owns property 1 mile east of Bakers Corner. I understand the need to have water and sewer for the new businesses along U.S. 31. They have no new existing infrastructure and need to be compliant with the future.

On the other hand, my wife and I have lived and maintained the house we live in for 34 years. I do not nor have I had any issues with my water or septic. I do not wish to be hooked up to this infrastructure.

I do wish to receive IDEM's decision on this matter.

Respectfully,

Mark Castle  
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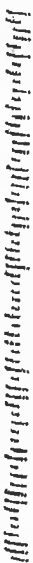
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Dan Stevens

Please send notice of IDEM's decision  
pertaining to phase 1 of sanitary and water  
infrastructure at 226<sup>th</sup> St / US 31  
and phase 2 276<sup>th</sup> St to US 31.

Sent to

Steve Lange

3715 E 296<sup>th</sup> St.

Atlanta, IN. 46031



## County of Hamilton State of Indiana

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### Public Notice

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Ind. Code § 13-26-2-2.5 that the Hamilton County Commissioners shall convene a public hearing to discuss and receive comments regarding the establishment of the Hamilton County Regional Utility District ("Regional Utility District"). The hearing shall be held on June 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Commissioners Court Room in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 N. 8th St, Noblesville, IN 46060. You are receiving notice because you are a landowner with property to be included within the District boundary as shown on the enclosed District Map.

The plans for the Regional Utility District and boundaries will be presented at the hearing. The initial phase of sanitary and water infrastructure will be at the 236<sup>th</sup> Street/US 31 interchange and extend east and west on 236<sup>th</sup> Street to serve the Bakers Corner community and development on the new frontage road south of 236<sup>th</sup> St. Phase 2 of the infrastructure will extend north to the planned 276<sup>th</sup> Street/US 31 interchange and the planned development at that interchange.

Written comments will also be accepted for a period commencing immediately and ending on July 11, 2022, at the following address:

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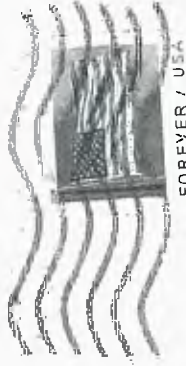
If you wish to receive notice of IDEM's decision on this matter, please submit a request in writing to the above address. For more information regarding the formation of regional water and sewer districts, you may refer to Indiana Code 13-26. For your convenience, the web page link is <http://igs.in.gov/legislative/laws/2012/013#13-26>.

Additionally, a copy of the Petition to form the Hamilton County Regional Utility District is on file for public viewing during normal business hours at Room 157, Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 N. 8th St, Noblesville, IN 46060.



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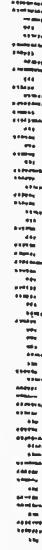


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8 July 2022

RE: Proposed Regional Utility District

Dear Mr. Dan Stevens,

Richard Molini  
2419 East 281st St.  
Atlanta, IN 46031  
317-984-9600

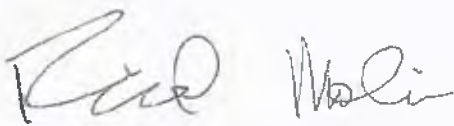
This correspondence is in regard to the proposed "Regional Utility District" to be located along US Highway 31 from and around 236<sup>th</sup> Street and north to 276<sup>th</sup> Street. From what I have gleaned from the public documents and feedback from some residents who attended the 27 June 2022 Informational hearing, it is very obvious that this entire project is being foisted upon the residents of the "district" most of which have not sought nor need this encroachment on their lives or communities. The true proposed benefits from this "district" and resulting infrastructure will apparently serve primarily those who seek to develop this area for private or corporate gain on the backs of the local citizenry.

At the onset of the hearing, special attention was focused on environmental impacts of faulty septic systems in degrading health and environmental quality. Hence, suggesting the dire need for water and sewer infrastructure. However, no representative from the Hamilton County Health Department whose duties ostensibly cover these issues commented on this facet of the supposed purpose of the "district". This statement of purpose seemed a bit of a ruse. How many local private residents of the proposed "district" have asked for help with these issues? It would be helpful if you can give us a percentage of the "district" private residents who have petitioned for some sort of sewer or water extension to their property.

If there are corporate, governmental, or private entities who want to develop along this corridor and "district", they should then be responsible for completing their own infrastructure whether it be by paying for extension or implementing their own projects of production wells and sewage treatment.

I am also interested in receiving a copy of the minutes of the 27 June 2022 hearing

Thank you and I await your response



Richard Molini

JUL 8 2022

Dianna Lynch, Office Manager

July 7, 2022

Attn: Mr. Dan Stevens  
Hamilton County Regional Utility District  
One Hamilton County Square, Room 157  
Noblesville, IN 46060

Dear Mr. Stevens,

On June 27<sup>th</sup> we attended your hearing regarding the Regional Utility District. We strongly opposed to the entire proposed project, specifically Phase 2 which will encompass our home at 27890 N Anthony Road in Jackson Township.

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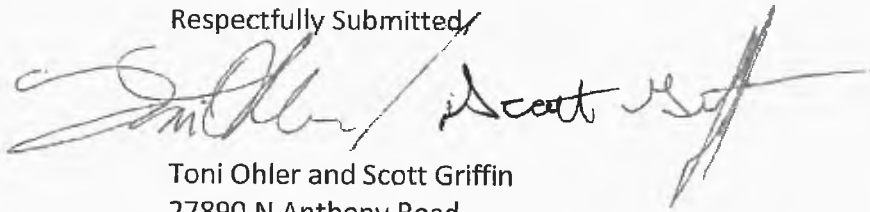
We maintain our sewage system and our water has been tested and results shown are in good standing. We do not like anything about having city water, we grew up on well water, we use a water softener and have no issues maintaining-our-well. Well water is safer than the chemicals that would be added in your scenario, besides the fact the city water doesn't taste good at all.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Handwritten signatures of Toni Ohler and Scott Griffin. The signature of Toni Ohler is on the left, and the signature of Scott Griffin is on the right, separated by a diagonal line.

Toni Ohler and Scott Griffin  
27890 N Anthony Road  
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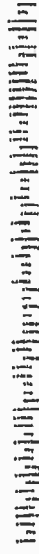
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ATTN: Mr. Dan Stevens



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Mr. Dan Stevens

Hamilton County Regional Utility District

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Mr. Stevens,

We are writing to have recorded our strong opposition to the new Hamilton County Regional Utility District.

We are well aware that having sewer and water availability will promote development, and the Regional Utility District is located in a completely rural area. The residents of this area made their opinions of the use of this land known when the Comprehensive Plan was completed in 2020. Some takeaways from the survey of residents during the study were "They live in the Hamilton County Townships because of community rural character", "There is a strong preference to preserve existing farmland across all townships", and the residents' vision for future land uses was overwhelmingly Agriculture and NO MORE Development. (Pages 42-43 of Comprehensive Plan, Final Draft Issue, December 18, 2020) The residents of the area should determine the use of the land.

Thank you,

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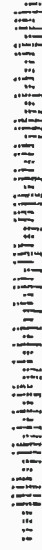
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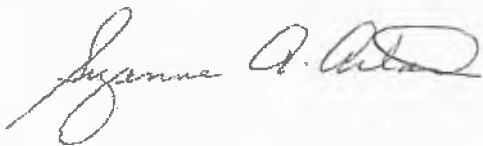
Dear Mr. Stevens,

I am writing this letter because I have questions regarding what transpired at the meeting on June 27, 2022. I found it almost impossible to hear the initial presentation, not to mention see with any clarity the Powerpoint screens. Is it possible to get a transcript of the meeting? Is there a website we can access to get that information? Obviously I have the map showing the proposed boundaries of the district, but any other information regarding the location of the wastewater treatment plant and/or the water storage tower are missing. Is there some way to update the sound system in the Commissioners Court room so that attendees can hear the comments from the commissioners as well as any presenters and/or comments or questions from attendees?

I would also like to receive notice of IDEM's decision on the matter of the creation of this district.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Suzanne A. Artale".

Suzanne A. Artale



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July 6, 2022

Hamilton County Commissioners

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Mr. Dillinger, Ms. Altman, Mr. Heirbrandt,

We attended the public meeting concerning the Hamilton County Regional Utility District on June 27, 2022. At the meeting, residents were lectured that their homes were the biggest investments they would ever make, and that development increases property values. I can assure you, we, and most of our neighbors, do not live where we do because of property values. Property values are not even on our list of reasons. We live where we do because of the rural and peaceful setting, and because the land has been in our families for generations. The farmers do not farm their entire lives for increased property values, but to pass on their legacies to their children. There are no amenities here, and we live here because of this, not in spite of it. The Commissioners should remember they represent all the People of the county and take into consideration those residents who will be affected by their decisions.

We are well aware that having sewer and water availability will promote development, and the Regional Utility District is located in a completely rural area. The residents of this area made their opinions of the use of this land known when the Comprehensive Plan was completed in 2020. Some takeaways from the survey of residents during the study were "They live in the Hamilton County Townships because of community rural character", "There is a strong preference to preserve existing farmland across all townships", and the residents' vision for future land uses was overwhelmingly Agriculture and NO MORE Development. (Pages 42-43 of Comprehensive Plan, Final Draft Issue, December 18, 2020) The residents of the area should determine the use of the land.

We strongly oppose the Hamilton County Regional Utility District.

Thank you,

KC and Melanie Dickerson

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**Cc:** Mark Heirbrandt <[Mark.Heirbrandt@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:Mark.Heirbrandt@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)>

**Subject:** Baker's Corner questions

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Hello CJ, Dan and Connor or To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for your time today at the Courthouse answering some of the many questions my husband and I have regarding the development plans for the area surrounding Baker's Corner.

This is a written response to the intended creation of a Regional Utility District at Baker's Corner. We neither desire or consent to the creation of the District and the accompanying public utilities. We understand now that the creation of the District is completed at the request of the three elected Hamilton County Commissioners and will be a separate political entity governed by a board appointed rather than elected and will not be accountable to the tax-payers or under the direct control of the elected Commissioners. I am formally requesting to view the application and any accompanying paperwork used by the Hamilton County Commissioners to create the Utility District in question. In addition, I would like to view the Master Plan, Vision Plan or similar items as well as any documentation of the proposed commercial district overlay of 31 from 236th Street to 296th Street. Please provide any petitions of any sort from potential developers of the area as well.

As I shared with you today, we are very disappointed that our beautiful area of Hamilton County has been slated for destruction of our way of life. After making a stop at the Cicero Planning Office this afternoon, we believe we now understand a little better why, when we petitioned the County Commissioners to help with the drainage issue at Anthony and 246th Street and in front of our home a few years ago, there was such resistance and very minimal action of the County. Today, I was shown the maps of our area hanging on the wall of the office and was confused that all three maps included an

extension of Flippins Rd to 256th Street that does not currently exist. In addition, 241st Street is shown extended to the East from Anthony to Deming Road. Neither road currently exists.

We understand that the maps I saw displayed, and which were used by Mr. Zawadzki in our discussion this afternoon, are used for planning purposes and labeled "Cicero/Jackson Township, Indiana Zoning Map". My surprise was that the date of the oldest one on display was 10/10/2016. Another was dated from 2017 and illustrates not only the two roads mentioned, but several other extensions and new roads within the immediate area. This certainly seems to illustrate that development plans have been discussed for several years and may help to explain why we were met with resistance to solve the long-standing drainage issues related to the Martha Darrah drain in our area.

We have had many conversations with Mark Heirbrandt, as well as Kent Ward by phone and email regarding the drainage issues referenced above. We hired a contractor, on the advice and approval of Kent Ward, to have a drain excavated and a collector box installed at our full expense from our home all the way to Anthony Road. We were assured that would help with the problem. It did not. We then spent a considerable amount of money building a berm on the south side of our property which helped some. We returned to the Surveyor's Office for guidance.

After the Surveyor's Office declared that there was nothing that could be done, we asked Mark Heirbrandt to please meet us at our property so that he could see the situation in person and more fully understand our frustration. In the meantime, we reviewed the nearly 125 pages of history of the Martha Darrah (sp?) drain sent to us by Kent Ward. We discovered that not only had the drain been over capacity for many years, the County had taken a variance in front of our house and our neighbor's house and stated, in writing, the need for the variance in order to install a turn lane and drainage for the 4 houses sharing a common drive. The variance did not extend to Anthony Road and did not extend to the West of our property. The variance included only 3 properties. The variance was taken by the County many years ago (at least 25 years ago), but none of the work was done. We insisted that the County Commissioners finally address the issue we had dealt with for years and for which they had taken the variance for. We asked them to place a swale (the least expensive option for the County) and Kent Ward and the Commissioners agreed, but only starting East of the common drive. The swale was not placed on the land in front of our house and the Surveyors Office even declined to place a cross-over pipe under the driveway to help drain our property into the swale.

We were very disappointed in the reluctance for the County to do the right thing, however, in good will, we sent a thank you note to the Commissioners for finally attempting to help in some way. We have since continued with plans this summer to complete a swale on the front of our property to match the swale placed on our neighbor's properties (once again at considerable cost to us.)

As you can see, we have had multiple conversations regarding the area surrounding our home with County Officials, asking for assistance. The swale was only placed on our neighbor's property because we discovered on our own that a variance had been taken

years ago by the County, but the County did not perform the work it had promised as a reason for needing the variance. Now, we have discovered that the County Commissioners and Surveyor's Office may have been resistant to help because they already planned other things in the area that would make any swale, drainage tile or other superfluous. And, they chose to keep us in the dark.

We own approximately 3 acres as do the other 3 homes sharing a common drive. We are surrounded by farm fields, enjoy quiet evenings on our front porch and our relaxed lifestyle in the country. We intentionally moved 15 years ago out of a neighborhood to our current home. Now, our way of life is threatened by plans made without our knowledge and which have been talked about for years. There have been many opportunities to share the proposed development map the Commissioners and many other elected and appointed government officials have used. Even the investors petitioning to place homes and businesses in the area know the plans. Everyone but the homeowners (and tax-payers) who will be affected have been made aware.

It is our understanding that the desire of investors is to build many, many homes with very small lot sizes in order to support the new Regional Utility District. A district of the size proposed needs several thousand homes in an area where, currently, significantly fewer exist. For instance, developers would like to place up to 100 homes in an area currently occupied by 4 homes. It is a drastic, drastic change and the proposed timeline is very aggressive.

We understand that some change is inevitable but, after ignoring our area for years, we are learning that we are considered acceptable collateral damage as the County Commissioners desire to grow the County tax base in an aggressive manner. The Commissioners are asking the town of Cicero to "mirror" the intent to create a commercial district 1/2 mile wide on the East side of 31. The desire to create a 1 mile commercial district with new access roads will result in truck deliveries and commercial buildings destroying our rural quality of life and destroying property values. And it was planned and presented to the community after years of deliberation between a select group. We feel so betrayed by those in whom we placed trust and who boldly asked for our vote, knowing how we might be affected by this plan.

We respectfully ask that the petition to create the proposed Utility District be rejected. The County Commissioners claim that providing a pump station for current homeowners will "help" any failing systems. Allegedly, homeowners will benefit by paying for the hook-up fee, any maintenance fees, monthly fees year after year, and the expected growth that comes with that in the form of very dense housing, new roads and commercial operations radically changing the landscape and expectations of current homeowners who purchased homes in the area precisely because we didn't have those alleged "benefits".

We neither desire or ask for the new pump station. We do not desire to be placed in the new Hamilton County Utility District or consent to pay for in any way the creation or upkeep or service to the Utility or the District. It will be governed by an unnamed (at this point), un-elected board created by County Commissioners who will not be personally affected by the machinations to increase the County coffers at the expense of

those of us living in the way. We reject the lie that we will somehow benefit from the creation of this Utility District. We are significantly harmed by its creation.

Steve and Kimberly Chance  
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**Subject:** Bakers Corner Project

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We attended the meeting on 6/27/22 at the City Building. My wife Donna and I live at 2015 E 241st St, Cicero, IN 46034.

This project is long overdue in my opinion, especially the sanitary phase. I know our property and the other properties along Twilight Hills Drive need this project.

I feel if most people in the project area were honest, they would admit their septic systems are being stressed by inadequate finger systems and poor surface water runoff.

Our only question is, where do we sign up.

Thanks for the information and please send us a notice of IDEMs decision on the matter.

Bob and Donna Cayton  
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