

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19, 2022

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**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Today: Mostly sunny.  
Wind gusts to 25 mph.

Tonight: Mostly clear.  
Widespread frost  
toward daybreak.



HIGH: 51    LOW: 29

# Murder on the Nickel Plate

## Sad swan song when flapper floozy falls flat

### The REPORTER

On Oct. 15 and 16, 2022, nearly 200 passengers boarded the Nickel Plate Express at Hobbs Station in Noblesville. When they disembarked in Atlanta, Ind., the year was 1922. They were in store for an evening of food and entertainment at Earthly Endearments where music was in the air and murder was on the menu.

According to Det. Howard Forthright, famous musician, singer and professional “entertainer” Gloria Call was apparently poisoned during dessert by her past paramour, nerdy newsman Franklin Fontano.

Call was performing with The Stompers band at a 1920s club owned by Eugene Williams.

Call had been seen by numerous guests having conversations that ranged from intimate to strained to heated with Fontano both on the train and at Earthly Endearments. Fontano, who provided Call with numerous drinks during her set, claims he was only giving her club soda in an attempt to slow her conspicuous consumption of gigglewater that started on the rolling juice joint that train became during its time-ripping rail ride into the past.

A cast of characters – many of whom bore remarkable resemblances to actors seen at various venues across the county – had a great deal to say to the diners-turned-detectives.

Clues were collected. Facts were filtered from fictions. Successful sleuthing was richly rewarded.

Fortunately, by the time the Nickel Plate Express returned



Reporter photo

(From left) Movie flimflam man Eddie Fitzwarren, madame Holly Fitzwarren, jewel thief Ruby Keyhole, call girl Betty Jean Call, occasionally deceased entertainer Gloria Call, killer reporter Franklin Fontano, club owner Eugene Williams and the hostess with the mostest Emily Reynolds. Everyone is pointing at the killer, who seems surprised to see Gloria alive again at the end of the night.

### Lost Necklace

If you lost a dainty infinity necklace with rose gold and small diamonds on this weekend's Murder Express ride, please know that it was not stolen in 1922 by the infamous jewel thief Ruby Keyhole.

Nickel Plate Express staff found the necklace and want to get it back in the hands of its rightful owner. Since everyone was taking photos this weekend, if you lost a necklace and have a photo to prove it is yours, please reach out to Executive Director Emily Reynolds at [EmilyReynolds@nickelplateexpress.org](mailto:EmilyReynolds@nickelplateexpress.org).

passengers to Noblesville at the end of the night, everyone was back in good ole 2022 and Call

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Photo provided by Caden White

This shot of Caden White and Gloria Call is the last photo of Call prior to her poisoning. Since she was resurrected upon the party's return to 2022, perhaps White should get this one autographed.

## Lions clean up Noblesville's streets



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club

This past Saturday, the Noblesville Lions cleaned streets in Noblesville. They cleaned Field Drive from 16th Street to Cumberland Road, and Cumberland Road from Monument Street to Conner Street. This is a yearly event of the Lions, sometimes twice a year, depending on weather. (From left) Lions Dale Unger, Ron Williamson, Steve Morgan, Gene Beck, Duke Miller, and Steve Shaw. Not pictured are Lions Ed Shea and Jeff Kozicki.

## Carmel sets trick-or-treat hours on Halloween night

### The REPORTER

The City of Carmel has announced that the official hours of trick or treating in the city will be 5 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31.

Homes welcoming trick or treaters should turn on their porch lights. If you do not wish to receive trick or treaters or have run out of candy, please turn off your

porch lights.

While there are many neighborhoods and other organizations that hold their own Halloween events and celebrations, those who want to trick or treat door-to-door are encouraged to use the city's official hours to do so.

Parents and guardians should be aware of the current COVID-19 recommendations put forth by the CDC and the [Indiana](https://www.in.gov/health)

### State Department of Health.

City officials remind its citizens of a few guidelines and proper safety procedures to follow for a safer celebration. While preparing for Halloween festivities, there are several important safety tips to keep in mind.

- Motorists should drive with extra caution and keep an eye out for little goblins and ghouls roaming the neighborhood.
- Adults

should always accompany their children and use a flashlight at night, staying within their own neighborhood and known homes. The use of glow sticks or reflective tape on costumes can also help with visibility.

- Watch for traffic before crossing any street.
- Avoid costumes that are long, which could

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## Bloom where you are planted

We have arrived at the point in the year where our once beautiful blooms of spring and summer have faded and look like dried up eyesores. The remains of these flowers may even look like Halloween decorations in our gardens. We have most likely replaced them with pumpkins, gourds, mums, corn stalks and are likely gauging the amount of Halloween candy we need to purchase for eager trick-or-treaters.

Before our focus shifts completely to the daily fall happenings, our garden needs our help to promote optimal growth by dividing and transplanting our perennials. Those dried up remnants in our garden may be a sad sight for some, but I see it as an opportunity to help my treasured flowers thrive and come back to me better than ever.

Plants that grow back each year are called perennials. Many well-established perennials need to be divided every three to five years to enhance their performance and rejuvenate them. A good rule of thumb is if the flower blooms in spring and early summer, the best time to divide and transplant is the fall. If the flower blooms late summer and fall, the best time to transplant is the spring.

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## Sheridan students explore careers in construction

### The REPORTER

Last week, Sheridan Youth Assistance Program (SYAP) sponsored a Construction Career Exploration Day to give students at Sheridan middle and high schools exposure to different careers in the construction and trades industries.

Students were surveyed by teachers, and students specifically interested in construction careers were invited to visit the event during their Student Resource Time. In addition, all students in grades 7 through 12 were welcome to visit during their lunch period. Organizers estimate that over 100 students participated in the event that included nine booths of employers and trainers.

“As a district we have set some very high goals for enhancing our internships and hands on practical learning,” Superintendent Dave Mundy said. “The job fairs

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## Operation Christmas Child will soon open drop-off sites in Fishers, Westfield & Tipton

### Submitted

More than 4,500 locations will open to collect **Operation Christmas Child** shoebox gifts for the Samaritan's Purse project. Volunteers are preparing to collect shoebox gifts during National Collection Week, Nov. 14 to 21.

Operation Christmas Child has been collecting and delivering shoebox gifts – filled with school supplies, hygiene items and fun toys – to children worldwide since 1993. Anyone can pack a shoebox! In 2022, Operation Christmas Child

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## Go Purple with Prevail!

One in three women and one in four men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner. This includes a range of behaviors (e.g., slapping, shoving, pushing) and in some cases might not be considered “domestic violence.” One in seven women and one in 25 men have been injured by an intimate partner.



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SCAN ME

### Correction

In a story published in Sunday's edition, **Local DAR chapter to honor Vietnam & Korean war veterans**, it was incorrectly stated that the public is invited to the event. The open house is for veterans only.

Additionally, this is not an event for political candidates to promote their own campaigns.

The Reporter regrets the error.

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## OPERATION CHRISTMAS

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hopes to collect enough shoeboxes to reach another 11 million children.

Individuals, families, and groups still have time to transform empty shoeboxes into fun gifts. The project partners with local churches across the globe to deliver these tangible expressions of God's love to children in need. Find a step-by-step guide on the **How to Pack a Shoebox webpage**.

"Now more than ever, children around the world need to know that God loves them and there is hope," Samaritan's Purse President Franklin Graham said. "A simple shoebox gift opens the door to share about the true hope that can only be found in Jesus Christ."

Participants can **find the nearest drop-off location** and hours of operation as they make plans to drop off their shoebox gifts. The online lookup tool is searchable by city or ZIP code. Signs at each location will identify the drop-off.



Photo provided by Samaritan's Purse

**Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, has made the season a bit brighter for children all across the world.**

Locally, drop off locations include:

- **Fishers:** Grace Church, 12450 Olio Road
- **Westfield:** CrossRoads Church at Westfield, 19201 Grassy Branch Road
- **Tipton:** Rock Prairie Church, 421 Ash St.

**About Operation Christmas Child**  
Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, seeks to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world and, together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 198 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 170 countries and territories. This year, Operation Christmas Child will collect its 200 millionth shoebox!

### ARCADIA FALL MARKET ON MAIN

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## Boo!

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cause tripping or costumes that have hard plastic or wood props like swords that could be a hazard.

- Face paint is often a safer alternative to masks, which could obstruct vision.
- It is also important to inspect candy before allowing children to have it. Dispose of any candy that is unwrapped.

**'Tis the season to be spooky!**



Photo provided

I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault - it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County (nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children). Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.

- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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# Thank you for another great Feeding Team Festival

Answering your questions about stocking the food pantries & preparing for winter

Thank you, neighbors! A total of 1,800 people attended the 2022 Feeding Team Festival at Federal Hill Commons. Almost 6,000 meals were donated and over \$15,000 were raised. It was a beautiful fall day with great bands and vendors. Thank you to bands, sponsors, vendors, and volunteers! The feedback we received was extremely positive. It is rewarding to see neighbors step up and serve alongside [FeedingTeam.org](https://FeedingTeam.org) volunteers. Hungry neighbors appreciate your contributions.

**Ask us Anything**  
When I stopped by a pantry, it was almost empty. Have you stopped stocking? What's going on?

We regularly receive notes from neighbors reporting a pantry that is low on resources. Occasionally, and it breaks my heart, a neighbor will complain that we aren't doing enough or worse yet, that we have stopped placing food in the pantries. I assure you we continue to load food in the pantries as



MARK HALL  
The Feeding Team Feature

We have for the last several years. During 2022, pantry use has exceeded what we can supply. We have no way to control what neighbors take out of a pantry. Our “Take What You Need Give What You Can” approach is open to abuse through overuse. We do not have unlimited resources to buy food for the pantries. As a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit with no paid employees, we do all we can within our budget to provide as many meals as possible. We moderate food volume and rotate stocking days in response to abuse and overuse. Unfortunately, we have seen hundreds of meals gone within a day of a pantry being stocked. Our mission is to provide a few meals to many people. Our locations target GAP families. In today's world we have many neighbors taking dozens of meals, much more than is intended. Personally, when I speak with them, they are hurting and afraid. Embarrassment has been over-

ridden by fear. Often, they can't afford the combination of daily life expenses and lean on the pantries as a primary food source. Volunteers observe these painful circumstances and offer referrals to organizations built to handle these situations. Pantries regularly receive hundreds of meals each month. They are not designed to be a neighbor's personal grocery store, but unfortunately that is a regular occurrence presently.

**How do the pantries get food in them?**

Through the work of volunteers, food is distributed every other Wednesday afternoon at our offices. Volunteers stock, clean and organize their pantries at least once a week and usually twice weekly. Last month, 9,000 meals were stocked in pantries. Countless other meals were donated by the public.

**How best can I or my group help FeedingTeam.org?**

Get involved. Donate at [FeedingTeam.org](https://FeedingTeam.org) or volunteer by reaching out to [charity.rosandich@feedingteam.org](mailto:charity.rosandich@feedingteam.org). You can drop off some canned goods directly in any pantry or at our offices. We all have items in our home that could help a neighbor. Every time a call goes out for public assistance in stocking a pantry that is low on food, neighbors step up. I've seen it numerous times.

**As we head into winter, what items will be in highest demand?**

Canned proteins, ramen, soup, vegetables, canned fruit, pouches of baby food, protein bars, powdered drinks and boxed pasta are all higher demand items in the winter. We don't stock glass items through the winter.

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With over 27,000 food-challenged neighbors

in Hamilton County, [FeedingTeam.org](https://FeedingTeam.org) is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout the county.

The pantries exist to meet the food insecurity needs of gap families, neighbors who may not qualify for public assistance and could use a few meals before payday. The pantries serve as many food-challenged neighbors as possible, and our hearts are with those who, like my family, could not always make ends meet.

Thank you for embracing the pantries. We love serving with so many neighbors across Hamilton County. In future columns, we will share more stories about how your generosity served

**FeedingTeam.org Facts**  
49 pantries  
8,500 meals in July 2022  
Over 30 volunteer families

neighbors in times of need. The face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what

you may think. In practical terms, this straightforward way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person's life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids.

Would you like to get involved? Volunteer opportunities are available. We are evaluating new pantry locations. If you think you have a potential location, please contact us.

Mark and Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or by calling (317) 832-1104.

## CAREER FAIR

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Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools  
Sheridan Youth Assistance Program sponsored the Construction Career Exploration Day. The next career day will take place on Nov. 15 and will focus on job opportunities in manufacturing.

are an integral part of our students getting to see firsthand all the various areas of future employment that are available to them. I really appreciate the focus many of our teachers have put into developing these opportunities for our students.”

According to SYAP Program Coordinator Beth Sabelhaus, “SYAP is passionate about supporting youth in Sheridan to become successful adults. As an alternative to a large traditional job fair, SYAP wants to host smaller, more focused events so that students can meet and get to know local employers and training programs, and what kind of high demand jobs are available to them after high school.”

Employers in the construction field were invited to set up booths and encouraged to make their booths interactive. According to Sabelhaus, students were excited to try the hands-on displays and check out information including training requirements and salary expectations for different jobs and trades.

Bill Keevern, Lead Instructor of ABC Commercial Construction Prep Academy, said, “It's hard to gauge the success of the event since there was such a wide range of ages attending. For most I thought it was planting the seed as a viable alternative to other career options.”

Sheridan High School (SHS) Principal Rick Davis said he was pleased with the impact the career fair had on students who show an interest in the construction trades.

“The Mini Career Fair was a great opportunity for

our students to contact potential employers and learn more about the construction trades,” Davis said. “Having a smaller, more intimate career fair allowed students to dive deeper and have longer interactions with the companies present compared to a huge fair which can be overwhelming for many students. The Mini Career Fair created a very focused approach so that those students with particular interests are more precisely targeted for exposure and interaction. We look forward to having more mini career fairs focused on other career pathways.”

Lisa Samuels of SYAP has been organizing career fairs for several years at SHS.

“It has been a priority to the SYAP board to bring opportunities to students in the Sheridan community to help them become successful students and future adults,” Samuels said. “We see gaps not available to our students and work to fill those needs. With the career fairs and our summer employment program, we focus on introducing students to careers that do not require a four-year degree but provide successful options to provide for themselves and a family in the future.”

SYAP will hold a total of four career exploration days during the 2022-2023 school year. The next event will be Tuesday, Nov. 15 and focus on careers in manufacturing. Registration is still open for more employers and organizations to attend the event. Anyone wanting more information can contact Beth Sabelhaus at [esabelhaus@sheridan.k12.in.us](mailto:esabelhaus@sheridan.k12.in.us) or call (317) 758-4431 ext. 4460.

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Letter to the Editor

Klingenmeier asks why state’s roads are terrible

Dear Editor:

My wife Donna and I recently had a driving trip down to the Atlanta, Ga., area to visit friends and then making a stop in Augusta to see my son. It was a quick trip, with driving every day. Our route took us down through Kentucky to Nashville, Tenn., then the northern suburbs of Atlanta and over to the home of the Masters golf tourney.

One of the most notable things about the driving trip to me, who did all the driving, was the wonderfully paved roads and highways in Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina. Someone has invented a paving material that is as smooth as glass and ALL these states are using it on their interstate highways and even an underused state highway in South Carolina we traveled on. It is smooth and quiet and absolutely endless in these states, even when we drove through the Smoky Mountains!

Then we re-entered Indiana.

Our state undoubtedly has the worst roads in this part of the country (if not everywhere). The only fairly decent road is the one between Indianapolis and the Shelbyville casino area – and even that doesn't measure up to these other states.

So I ask: where is all the tax money collected through gasoline sales and vehicle registrations going? I can't help but wonder because it sure isn't showing up in the pavements we drive on in this state.

**Ken Klingenmeier**  
Indianapolis

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Update: Carmel teen found safe

**The REPORTER** Portia Craig, who was reported to be missing by the Carmel Police Department on Friday, Oct. 14, has been located and is safe. CPD reported Monday that Craig has been found. The Carmel Police Department would like to thank everyone who assisted in locating her.

BLOOM

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When you transplant flowers, you are simply moving flowers to a new location. Perhaps you need a different location that receives more or less sun, or you are moving to a new home. You would essentially treat a transplanted flower just as you would any plant purchased at a garden nursery. When you divide flowers, you physically dig up the plant, splitting it into new plants, allowing their roots to grow and absorb nutrients and water.

It is important to be selective about when you transplant and divide plants. You never want to divide or transplant during the hottest part of summer; this causes unnecessary stress on plants and can result in the plant experiencing shock. Overcast days are ideal and it is even better if it has been raining recently where the soil is wet and easy to dig. Once you have dug up the flower, you will want to keep it in a shaded area and moist until it is replanted. When dividing in the fall, you will want to allow the roots of the plants plenty of time to establish themselves before the ground freezes.

The purpose of dividing plants is to promote growth and give the plant a chance to perform at its best. When there is overcrowding in a garden, plants are essentially in competition for all the same nutrients and water. When plants are divided, it stimulates new growth and reduces this competition; dividing also allows you to control the size of the plants in your garden.

The process to divide a plant is very simple, but it is essential that it be done correctly. If you are dividing a daylily, you will want to dig all around the base of the plant until you are able to loosen the soil and uproot it from the ground. Look at the clump to determine an appropriate place to divide the plant with a serrated pruning saw or knife, cutting directly through the clump. Once you have made the division, you can replant in the same space, move to a different location altogether, or better yet, share it with a friend!

Dividing plants is a wonderful (and free) way to increase the number of plants you have in your garden and the best way to rejuvenate plants. One tell-tale sign that your flower is in need of division is when you notice the center of the plant has a bald spot. I noticed this with my Siberian iris and knew that it was time to divide. Look at the plants in your garden to see which ones may need division. They will thank you by offering many happy returns next season!

We must invest in the flowers of our gardens and make plans for their longevity. In the words of Francis Hodgson Burnett’s cherished novel *The Secret Garden*, “As long as you have a garden, you have a future. And as long as you have a future, you are alive!”

Nature is speaking to us. It is asking that we invest in the future of the plants in our gardens. Are you listening?

*Megan Rathz is a wife, mother and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.*



Photo by Megan Rathz

Flowers from my old house that were divided and transplanted to my new house.

Early Voting Locations

You don’t have to wait until November 8

Carmel

**Mercy Road Church, 2381 Pointe Pkwy.**  
**Jill Perelman Pavilion, 3000 W. 116th St.**

- Oct. 26 and 27 from 2 to 7 p.m.
- Oct. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Nov. 2 and 3 from 2 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Fishers

**Roy G. Holland Memorial Park Building, 1 Park Drive**  
**Billerica Park Building, 12690 Promise Road**

- Oct. 26 and 27 from 2 to 7 p.m.
- Oct. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Nov. 2 and 3 from 2 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Westfield

**Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St.**  
**Cool Creek Nature Center, 2000-1 E. 151st St.**

- Oct. 26 and 27 from 2 to 7 p.m.
- Oct. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Nov. 2 and 3 from 2 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Noblesville

**Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square**

- Oct. 19 to 21 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Oct. 24 to 28 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Oct. 31 to Nov. 4 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Nov. 7 from 8 a.m. to noon

**Hamilton County Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant St.**

- Oct. 19 to 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Oct. 24 to 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Oct. 31 to Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Nov. 7 from 8 a.m. noon





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# Gigglewater gal goes out guzzling at gin joint



Photo provided by Earthly Endearments



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Reporter photo by Franklin Fontano



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## MURDER

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was alive and well once more. She and the other characters on the Murder Express were even kind enough to pose for a sepia-toned page 1 photo for The Hamilton County Reporter.

If you did not ride the rails of murder over the weekend, have no fear! This event was so popular that Nickel Plate Express Executive Director Emily Reynolds and Reporter Pub-

lisher Stu Clampitt have already gone on record saying their next killer collaboration will come in February. Keep reading The Reporter and checking [NickelPlateExpress.com](http://NickelPlateExpress.com) to find out when tickets go on sale for Valentine's Murder Express. It promises to be a bloody good time!

To learn more about Earthly Endearments, 155 W. Main St., Atlanta, go to [EarthlyEndearments.com](http://EarthlyEndearments.com).

### Gloria Call

December 7, 1876 – October 15 & 16, 1922

Gloria Call, 45, died of apparent poisoning during her final musical performance in Atlanta, Ind., on both Saturday, Oct. 15 and Sunday Oct. 16.

Call was a singer, a musician, and a professional escort.

Call, having recently turned down a starring role in the supposedly forthcoming movie *Trains*, produced by Eddie Fitzwarren, was said to have had very strong performances (and even stronger drinks) both at Hobbs Station in Noblesville and at Earthly Endearments in Atlanta.

She is survived by her sister, Betty Jean Call, her heretofore unknown father Eddie Fitzwarren, as well as her stepmother and former employer Holly Fitzwarren.

She died as she lived, with a song on her lips and drink in her hand.



Reporter photo by Franklin Fontano



Photo provided by Earthly Endearments



Reporter photo by Franklin Fontano

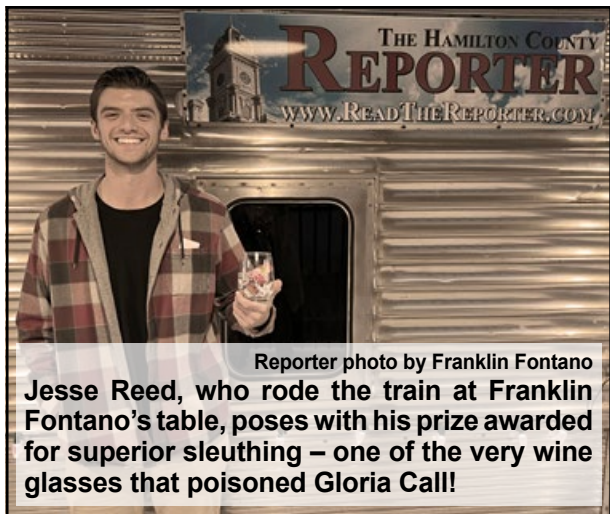
Lela Starkey, 95, Kokomo, dances with granddaughter Michelle Slayman, Fishers. Lela, you cut a rug better than any of us at The Reporter. Well done!



Photo provided by Daniel Grose



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# Don't Leave It to Beaver named Frontline Organizer of the Year

Submitted by Don't Leave It to Beaver

At the annual “Greening the Statehouse” meeting held last Saturday, the Hoosier Environmental Council (HEC) awarded local community group Don't Leave It to Beaver (DLITB) with the Frontline Organizer of the Year award, honoring the grassroots effort to ensure clean water and protect the environment by opposing the gravel pit operation near Potter's Bridge Park and the White River in Noblesville.

The gravel pit proposal was first submitted in the fall of 2020 and posed potential risks to the water supply in nearby underground aquifers. It was ultimately rejected by the city's Common Council this past June after a considerable number of Hoosiers, led by DLITB, organized against it.

Tuesday, Oct. 18



marked 50 years since the passage of the Clean Water Act – one of the United States' first and most influential environmental laws. As such, “Greening the Statehouse” focused on clean water, hosting individual citizens, policy-

makers, and representatives who have worked to clean up and protect Indiana-area waterways, lakes, and groundwater sources.

DLITB is thankful to HEC for being trusted partners during the two-year-long process to oppose the gravel pit and steadfast advocates during City of Noblesville government meetings. Their expertise and guidance on how local processes work was invaluable as members of the community navigated what was many people's first acts of community remonstrance.

DLITB also extends its appreciation to community members – the thousands of folks who signed the

petitions, spread the word online and off, wrote to government officials, volunteered, spoke publicly, and peacefully protested. This award belongs to all of you.

DLITB is also grateful to Noblesville city officials who recognized the importance of proactively defending the city's clean water supply. Specifically, DLITB thanks the following Noblesville Common Council members for voting in defense of the community:

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Letter to the Editor

## Carmel voter supports Jessica Paxson for Hamilton County Prosecutor

Dear Editor:  
With the upcoming election approaching, I felt it was necessary to emphasize one candidate who will be on the ballot – Jessica Paxson. She is running to be your next Hamilton County Prosecutor.

The Prosecutor is the chief law enforcement officer of the county. Its most important role is to ethically seek justice while ensuring the safety of the public. This means that victims should be protected, and offenders should be held accountable – making the community a safer place to live and raise a family.

The standards taken on by the Prosecutor are indeed high, and not all attorneys possess the unique principles, professional experiences, and dignity of the rule of law that fulfill their responsibilities in the legal profession.

Jessica Paxson does. She is tough. Her current role as a deputy prosecutor

in our Hamilton County prosecutor’s office focuses on Child Fatality cases, while previously she worked on cases involving Sex Crimes. When she prosecuted cases in Tippecanoe County, she worked on Major Felony cases, including charges of Attempted Murder and Murder.

Paxson is committed to aggressively prosecuting criminals. She is also personally and professionally tied to Hamilton County. Raised in Westfield, she has remained professionally engaged in our community in supporting the needs of the survivors throughout their exposure to the criminal justice system. In 2018, Paxson was recognized by Prevail, a domestic violence service in Noblesville, for her role as a deputy Sex Crimes prosecutor – including the facilitation of Hamilton County’s Sexual Assault Response Team as a Co-Chair. In 2020, Indiana

Coalition to End Sexual Assault and Human Trafficking acknowledged Paxson for outstanding service as a prosecutor. She is also currently on the Domestic Violence Task Force of Hamilton County.

Her reputation as a trusted, fair, and honest servant of her community is aligned with the sacred service she brings to her courtroom. And let’s remember, one who serves the law must also uphold the law.

In this and all these we know we have met the high standards of a County Prosecutor. We have Jessica, and I believe she is the best protection we have to continue to uphold our county as one of the safest in Indiana.

Please vote Paxson for Prosecutor on Nov. 8 so we can keep Hamilton County safe.

**Heidi Wold**  
Carmel

## Letter guidelines this election season

With the approach of the Nov. 8 General Election, the Reporter is establishing some Letters to the Editor guidelines to keep things fair and balanced.

Letters addressing new topics about the upcoming election or the policies of individual candidates will be accepted until the end of the business day on Tuesday, Nov. 1 and will be published on Wednesday, Nov. 2.

Letters in response to new topics published in our Nov. 2 edition will be accepted until Friday, Nov. 4 and will be published in our Saturday, Nov. 5 edition.

These deadlines will give candidates and their supporters the opportunity to reply to letters addressing new topics.

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Letter to the Editor

## Voter says Noblesville needs Chuck Haberman on the school board

Dear Editor:  
I would like to offer my endorsement of Chuck Haberman for Noblesville School Board.

I have had the opportunity to know Chuck while serving on the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Chuck’s personal character qualities are apparent upon first meeting. Chuck is a leader! Chuck is also smart, passionate, caring, approachable and committed. I am always impressed by Chuck’s pragmatic insights for meeting challenges.

I believe Chuck has the right ideas for continuing to improve the educational opportunities and outcomes for every Noblesville student. Balancing the needs of our schools and students with the financial resources to pay for services is a critical task for our School Board. As a taxpayer, I am comforted to know that Chuck’s excellent financial acumen will result in a continuation of the good financial stewardship we have come to expect from our School Board leaders.

Chuck fully understands the need to prepare students with the hard skills and the soft skills required for success in a competitive world. I have no doubt Noblesville Schools’ stakeholders will find Chuck’s contributions very valuable when it comes to shaping the educational pathways for the next generations of well-rounded young adults about to take their places in the workforce and in our communities.

I encourage you to also vote for Chuck Haberman on Nov. 8!

**Bryan Glover**  
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# Nickel Plate Arts pursuing Lacy Building for artist studios

**Submitted by Nickel Plate Arts**  
The iconic Lacy Building in downtown Noblesville is getting a new twist on its decades of rich history.

In late 2021, Chris Nurnberger and his wife Katie reached out to Nickel Plate Arts after purchasing the property. They asked what the Noblesville arts community might need and revealed that they would love to find a way for the building to be a home for artists and artistic ventures.

The building has some especially unique spaces, including two mezzanines that may make quality artist studios as well as a basement that could be some form of workshops.

“I was immediately excited to hear that one of the square’s oldest and largest buildings could have a new future and be fully activated after so many decades,” Nickel Plate Arts Director Ailithir McGill said.

Cleaning of the Lacy building was completed in Spring 2022, and some renovations are already beginning, including installation of an elevator that would make all floors of the building accessible.

McGill toured the building in December 2021 and saw first-hand just how much work was ahead of Katie and Chris. Many sections of the building had been abandoned for years, and others were filled with storage.

The ballroom on the top floor had been carved into smaller rooms. The mezzanines, which occupy the back of the building between the first and second, and second and third floors definitely have potential for artists. The building’s windows are bisect, allowing natural light to be at a premium, and there is opportunity for wide open spaces to accommodate flexible studio space for artists. The basement seemed like it



Rendering provided  
**The Lacy Building was home to Kirk Hardware before its closure earlier this year. The Linden Tree gift shop is still operating in the eastern half of the building.**

could become a very useful space for woodworking, ceramics, or welding.  
“It seemed like a match made in heaven,” McGill said. “The more I looked, the more potential I saw, and the more I worked with the Nurnbergers, the more convinced I was that they wanted to be meaningful, long-term partners for the arts community.”

Nickel Plate Arts’ plans are still tentative because the owners have a lot of decisions to make about the renovation. This endeavor is only made more difficult due to supply chain problems in the construction and material industry, which impacts prices daily.

After a few key conversations, Nickel Plate Arts is pursuing the following goals:

- Nickel Plate Arts plans to manage the studio spaces and likely hold a master lease with the Lacy Arts Building to sub-lease to artists, but the exact arrangements are not yet set in stone.

- Plans call for installing 15 to 20 studio spaces of various sizes on the two mezzanines. These spaces will be flexible and communal; the hope is to construct moveable walls to delineate the studios, with lots of shared common spaces.

- These studios could be used by traditional 2D artists, but could also be useful for graphic designers and even some 3D artists.
- If there is interest from the community, Nickel Plate Arts might be able to design some of the spaces for musicians or photographers.
- Incorporate a shared common room that could be used as a classroom or event space.
- In the basement, the goal is to develop two studios designed for ceramics work, including working kilns (and the ventilation systems needed for various ceramics projects). Nickel Plate Arts also hopes to fit a welding studio in the basement, complete with appropriate ventilation and safety equipment.
- There may also be a first-floor space available for artists with an entry from the Alley behind the building. This space could be a great retail/gallery location for one artist, or perhaps a shared space to feature work made by all the artists in the building. The exact plans will depend upon the budget and interest from artists and community members.



McGill

- The Nurnbergers are open to exploring where art can be displayed throughout the building to give the studio artists even more opportunities to promote themselves and sell their work.
- The Nurnbergers are also enthusiastic about having the building open and activated for every **First Friday**, and they want to reserve the Ballroom space for artists to activate a few times a year for unique and engaging artist-focused events.

Nickel Plate Arts will have to figure out how to pay for certain aspects of adapting spaces to the needs of artists, which may end up being a pricey venture.  
This project was the focus at the Nickel Plate Arts **Anniversary Gala**, where over \$10,000 was raised specifically for installing studios in the Lacy Building.  
“That will get us a long way, but we anticipate needing more than twice that to make these spaces the attractive, professional, efficient spaces that local artists deserve,” McGill said. “Our hope is that the renovation will be well underway by the start of 2023 and that these studios could begin taking shape by summer or fall of next year.”

Nickel Plate Arts has a waiting list for studio spaces; artists should contact [info@nickelplatearts.org](mailto:info@nickelplatearts.org) to get added to that waiting list to be considered for one of the new studios.  
Peterson Architecture Principal Darren Peterson is the head of the Nickel Plate Arts board, and his business partner Robert McGill is the lead architect on the project.  
Artists who want to get more involved, or anyone wishing to support this project through monetary donations, can reach out to Director Ailithir McGill via email at [amcgill@nickelplatearts.org](mailto:amcgill@nickelplatearts.org) with “For the Lacy Arts Building Project” in the memo or notes.  
**About Nickel Plate Arts**  
Nickel Plate Arts is an umbrella nonprofit organization that creates and coordinates arts and cultural experiences across communities in eastern Hamilton County and the surrounding areas to improve the quality of life for residents, strengthen local economies and enrich experiences for visitors. Nickel Plate Arts is a project of Hamilton County Tourism, Inc.

## Letter to the Editor Fishers One: HSE administration continues to fail community with investigation

Dear Editor:  
On Friday, HSE Superintendent Dr. Stokes released a vague statement on the HSE website in response to the month-and-a-half-long investigation regarding a “Defund the Police” poster.

A Fishers High School graduate, Noah Shahnavaz, was killed in the line of duty this summer. On the day Noah’s brother returned to school after the tragedy, the poster was displayed in his classroom.

Their statement gives little detail and eludes that HSE will not be releasing the findings. Dr. Stokes mentioned that they would be offering improvements in the future, but provided no details, or any actionable items or disciplinary actions for those responsible.

The investigation was launched in August after a vast amount of media attention, body-cam footage of the progressive teacher’s previous actions, and after community outrage. The situation received the attention of the Fishers Mayor, Indiana State Police, Fishers Police Department, and their respective FOPs. These groups called for immediate action by the school district, leading to an independent investigation by local attorney and judge, Daniel Henke.

“Fishers One and its hundreds of community members are simply appalled by the weak response of the HSE administration,” Fishers One Founder Diane Eaton said. “The lack of action items, accountability, discipline, sensitivity and transparency continues to demonstrate a lack of leadership and a school culture that fosters disrespect and contempt for law enforcement. Although nothing with this administration or its current school board surprises me or the community anymore, it’s sad, just sad. The Shahnavaz family and community deserve better than this. It is very likely that this is far from over and more information will be coming out in the foreseeable future.”

The district had not made any updates or comments regarding the investigation since it began until Friday’s brief statement. The statement was released as the school district headed into its fall break.

In a statement released late Sunday evening on social media, the mother of the fallen officer pointed out that the negative attitude towards police officers and the culture found in HSE Schools only helps contribute to the climate in which her son was killed.

Fishers One has taken issue with the direction and lack of transparency of HSE Schools and has endorsed four candidates for this year’s HSE School Board District seats, including Tiffany Pascoe in District 1, Dr. Juanita Albright in District 2, Dawn Lang in District 3, and Ben Orr in District 4.

**Fishers One**  
*Fishers One identifies itself as a grassroots community-based organization dedicated to restoring academic excellence in our schools, maintaining Fishers as a great place to live, and cultivating the next generation of community leaders. You can learn more about Fishers One and how to get involved at [fishersone.org](http://fishersone.org) or on Facebook at [facebook.com/FishersOne](https://facebook.com/FishersOne).*

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## SMC joins OneZone Chamber’s Leadership Investor Circle

**The REPORTER**  
OneZone Chamber announces SMC as its newest Leadership Investor.

SMC Corporation manufactures pneumatic equipment and machine elements that play an essential role in the automation of various industries, from robots and other devices required in the automation of factory production line manufacturing and assembly processes to automatic inspection equipment used for medical and semiconductor manufacturing equipment. SMC is dedicated to delivering first-class business solutions to their customers through superior products and top-notch customer service.

SMC Corporation of America President & CEO Kelley Stacy said, “We are extremely excited to collaborate with OneZone as we work together to create a thriving, inclusive business community right here in Hamilton County. Together through this partnership, I believe we’ll be able to leverage the collective needs of local businesses to advocate for equitable, and sustainable, economic development initiatives, and



SMC is grateful for the opportunity to provide insight and support for these projects.”

OneZone President & CEO Jack Russell said, “We are excited to welcome SMC Corporation of America as a new Leadership Investor at OneZone Chamber. We want to thank Kelley and the entire team for their investment in our organization and for supporting our mission of helping businesses and communities thrive.”

OneZone Chamber of Commerce serves over 1,300 businesses as a collective voice to drive solutions for a thriving community. OneZone Chamber continues to strengthen the business communities voice at the state and local level while creating exclusive access, networking, and leadership opportunities to grow businesses and the people in them. To learn more about OneZone Chamber go to [onezonechamber.com](http://onezonechamber.com).

Thanks for reading!

### Vietnam Veterans and Korea Veterans

Open House, Saturday, November 5

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Most states celebrate “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day” the date of the final withdrawal of U.S. troops from Vietnam. The day commemorates the sacrifices of Vietnam veterans and is part of a national effort to recognize the men and women who were denied a proper welcome upon returning home more than 40 years ago. The United States Congress has designated March 29 of each year to be recognized as National Vietnam War Veterans Day. This year Horseshoe Prairie Chapter, NSDAR, will recognize these veterans on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

To recognize military service men and women who served during the Vietnam era, as well as those who served in Korea, we invite you to attend an Open House at Noblesville Township Community Center, 372 S 8th St, in Noblesville.\* Coffee, juice and various food items sponsored by The Farmers Bank will be served by members of the Horseshoe Prairie Chapter. Members of the “Rugged Brothers” band will entertain us with a few of our favorite songs.

*The Horseshoe Prairie Chapter recognizes and thanks all our military veterans for their service and dedication to our country. Ancestors of the Daughters of the American Revolution fought to establish a country free from tyranny and provide the independence we enjoy today.*

**PLEASE JOIN US ON NOVEMBER 5 – WE APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICE AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU !**

\*ALL veterans who served during the Vietnam and Korean wars, whether overseas or stateside, are invited to attend!

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State Senate District 31 candidate Jocelyn Vare, who currently serves on the Fishers City Council, spoke about her personal experience with domestic violence and signed the Contract with Women on Monday at the Statehouse.

# Vare shines light on domestic violence

Submitted by Jocelyn Vare for State Senate

Jocelyn Vare, candidate for Indiana State Senate District 31, stood with nine fellow Democrats at the Indiana Statehouse on Monday to extend an open invitation to all Hoosiers.

Vare worked closely with her peers to invite people in Indiana to build a brighter future for women and girls across the state by signing the Contract with Women. Whether Democrat, Republican, Libertarian, Independent, or undeclared, Hoosiers are asked to sign the contract in solidarity for Indiana's future.

As part of her pledge, Vare shined a light on domestic violence and shared her personal experience.

"Indiana can no longer be the state that ignores and controls women," Vare said. "As a Democrat, I am proud to sign the Contract with Women. It is a promise to prioritize and serve Hoosier women. Domestic violence is a public safety issue that affects one in three women in their lifetime. As a domestic violence survivor, I shine a light on this issue and advocate for Indiana to become a safer place for all women."

On a recent Fox59 segment that recognized October as Domestic Violence Month, Vare shared her personal survivor story and her experience with Prevail. Prevail is Hamilton County's advocate and service provider for people experiencing life with an abuser. Vare relied on Prevail in 2010 and is grateful to the Fishers Police Department for the referral to the organization's free and confidential services. She also experienced firsthand how vital safe and secure housing is for survivors.

"To be safe, my kids and I needed to find an immediate and secure place to stay," Vare said. "We had to travel to another county because there were no emergency housing options for us locally."

Through Hamilton County's purchase of land and dedication of design funding, plans have begun for safe housing to be constructed. It will be Hamilton County's first housing option for domestic violence survivors. "I celebrate the plan to offer safe hous-

ing in Hamilton County to survivors," Vare emphasized. "I also recognize 12 years have passed since my kids and I were in need of safe housing in Hamilton County. This is overdue. When Indiana does not prioritize women, it harms the entire community. A commitment to women is a commitment to community."

Vare's signature on the Contract with Women also includes commitments to repeal what she calls Indiana's extreme abortion ban, codifying the right to birth control and other contraceptives, fixing Indiana's maternal mortality rate, passing legitimate workplace protections for women – especially pregnant women, repealing the state's high taxes on hygiene products, addressing the state's childcare crisis, and creating a statewide Pre-K system for children.

"Building a better future for women and girls is not a partisan topic because it benefits all of us," Vare said.

Vare is a business owner and domestic violence survivor who is dedicated to public service. She proves it through her active roles with community non-profits, public education advocacy organizations, and as an at-large member of Fishers City Council. She was the first Democrat elected to municipal office in Fishers and won her election with strong bipartisan support, including an endorsement from the Fiscal Conservatives of Hamilton County.

Vare maintains clear focus on ideals of transparency, balance, and representation. She achieves the ideals by listening to neighbors, residents, and constituents she serves.

Vare embraces her reputation for shining a light on decisions others would prefer to leave behind closed doors. An unapologetic independent thinker, she always returns to and keeps the promises she made to those who elected her.

Jocelyn Vare is an at-large member of the Fishers City Council and a candidate for Indiana Senate District 31 in 2022. State Senate District 31 was redrawn for the 2022 election and includes all of Fishers, Geist, parts of Noblesville, and the Northeast Side of Indianapolis.

# Rich Taylor announces run for Carmel City Council

Submitted

Long time Carmel community leader and volunteer Rich Taylor has announced his intent to run for Carmel City Council in 2023 as an At Large candidate.

"I've always taken an active interest in Carmel's government because decisions made by local government directly affect taxes and the quality of life for residents. That's important to me," Taylor said. "I have a passion for Carmel, and we must have strategic plans in place to maintain and continue to elevate what we've created."

Taylor says he has been an instrumental part of making Carmel the city it is today. Most notably, he has been the President of the Carmel Parks and Recreation board for the last five years, and board leader for the last 12 years. He has also been a strong supporter of Carmel's central core redevelopment and played a role in the building of the Center for the Performing Arts and Carmel's Arts & Design District.

Taylor cultivated a passion for working with small businesses and municipalities in Carmel as a Vice President at The National Bank of Indianapolis. He later transitioned to a career in the commercial real estate and construction field. His background of business lending, economic development,



Taylor

financing, and managing budgets uniquely positions him to help Carmel continue to grow while protecting taxpayers from unnecessary financial risk.

"When on the city council, I'll focus on the financial strategy and health of Carmel. We have to be proactive and forecast. And that will be led with transparency," Taylor said. "I'm also committed to providing our police and fire professionals the resources they need to keep our city safe."

In 2010, Taylor was honored as One-Zone's Most Valuable Volunteer, and is a graduate of the Indiana Leadership Forum and Hamilton County Leadership Academy. He has previously served as board President for the Rotary Club of Carmel and is a past board member of the Carmel Clay Public Library Foundation.

Taylor and his wife, Lauren, President of Carmel-based Holder Mattress Company, have lived in Carmel for 17 years. They have two children, Ryker, 7, and Brooke, 3. In their free time they enjoy creek stomp-ing at Flowing Well Park and hanging out in Midtown Plaza.

Taylor graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Management and received his MBA from Butler.

## Letter to the Editor

## Former HSE school board member unhappy with district's trajectory, urges you to vote for four Fishers One-endorsed candidates

Dear Editor:  
Recently, Hamilton Southeastern Schools Superintendent Dr. Yvonne Stokes has alleged that misinformation about the HSE school district has been presented (ostensibly by Fishers One) during the current HSE school board race that is in full swing. It is both disappointing and puzzling that Dr. Stokes could assert such a distorted falsehood against the slate of four candidates, backed by Fishers One, when these candidates may be her bosses one day. Publicly criticizing your potential bosses hardly seems like a wise career move.

Fishers One is a grassroots community organization with the goal of restoring academic excellence in the Hamilton Southeastern Schools.

Actually, to the chagrin and displeasure of the parents, and the entire HSE community, it has been Dr. Stokes, and certain school board members, who have been the authors of misinformation.

Time and again, the Board Members who voted to hire Dr. Stokes have deceived and outraged a community of parents and patrons to the point that all trust in HSE Schools has been lost.

Transparency and parental rights, two of the tenets of the candidates supported by Fishers One, have become major casualties of the current HSE Administration and the School Board. Fishers One has actually shined a "light of truth" on the policies and actions of the Administration and the Board, who have operated and made decisions based on "vagaries" and a lack of solid data. Allow me to be more specific.

### Microaggression

When the addition of the Microaggression language was being proposed to the student handbook, the Administration's presenter assured the Board and the community that "a rigorous review process which includes considerations from feedback of our students, our teachers, staff, Board Members as well, and our Administration," had been conducted. Where do they say that parents were consulted about this major policy addition? During my three-term stint on the HSE school board beginning in the late 1980s, the Board always brought the parents into any major or controversial decisions. Where was the Board's and the Administration's transparency on the microaggression discussions?

### Social justice

Upon Dr. Stokes' hiring by the Board in April 2021, Dr. Stokes was quoted as saying, "Please don't fret about academic excellence. We're here to make sure that our students have academic excellence. I will make sure that continues to happen." However, hers and the Board's actions belie that statement. Dr. Stokes, on a HSE posting on HSESchools.org, states the following:

"Our children thrive in our schools when they understand their value, know they are loved and supported and are inspired to excel in all facets of their lives. Transforming learning and life outcomes for students through education, equity, and excellence requires an all-hands-on-deck approach by ALL of us."

This statement does not really express the goals of academic excellence, but hints at a social justice agenda. Upon leaving her post as Assistant Superintendent at Munster Schools, The Crier newspaper in its May 11, 2021 edition pointed to Dr. Stokes' greatest achievements, in her own words, of working with "underserved populations – black and brown students (and) non-English speaking students." Furthermore, her experience at Munster Schools "impacted her greatly" as their district had "courageous and difficult conversations about race and equity."

It seems that Dr. Stokes' career background and passion has focused on social justice issues rather than academic

excellence. Was social justice the real basis on which five board members voted to hire Dr. Stokes rather than academic excellence?

This appears to be another case of lack of transparency.

Should the monies paid to a Chief Equity and Inclusion Officer and the more than 90 part-time equity counselors have been better spent on academic programs?

### Academics

Regardless of what the HSE administration and school board say, academic scores and ratings within the district have tumbled. In 2006, HSE Schools was in the top five in the State of Indiana's public-school districts, according to ISTEP scores published by the IDOE. During my time on the Board during the 1980s and 1990s, the four top school corporations in the state were Carmel, HSE, West Lafayette, and Zionsville. Year in and year out, these school corporations competed for the top spot, the positions changing from one year to the next.

During that time, HSE Schools was the fastest growing school corporation in the state. Despite this tremendous growth, HSE still held one of these top spots. This unparalleled growth was created by parents who wanted to move to the HSE district because the schools were top-notch and the community was family-friendly.

Today, HSE's growth has flattened, while HSE's academic rankings have fallen. More and more families are moving their children to private schools – away from HSE. Also, according to the Indiana Department of Education statistics, HSE ranks number 16. The HSE Board and Administration brag about how NICHE, a school rating organization, has ranked HSE at number 6. It is doubtful that NICHE, a nation-wide organization that ranks K-12 schools, colleges, etc., has better statistics than Indiana DOE. Nevertheless, a dubious sixth-place ranking, if it is accurate, is a drop from the previous top four.

Curiously, HSE has chosen to compare itself, academically, with school corporations of similar student populations like Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Evansville, and the like, rather than competing with the best academic school districts.

Again, HSE Schools, led by the Board and the Administration, has offered up lack of clarity and deception to the community, rather than focusing on improving academic performance.

### Gender identity

As disturbing as a lack of trying to achieve academic excellence is, the secretive way HSE Schools deals with gender identity, sexuality in children, and pronouns is abhorrent.

Gender Support Plans are developed by HSE-hired counselors for students who express a desire, or are coerced, to transition to the opposite sex. In this counseling, a child may acquire a new name and new descriptive pronouns to be used in school, and this information may not be communicated to the parents. These seven hired social workers, scattered across six HSE campuses, are tasked with running "Student Support Groups" related to General Expressions/ LGBTQ+.

Secrecy, not transparency, is at the heart of this gender identity agenda. Could not the monies allocated to these seven social workers have been better spent on academics when gender identity really falls under the purview of parents, not the schools?

HSE Schools needs a change in the school board for the parents and the community to regain trust and for education in the Fishers community to return to the excellence it once enjoyed.

Candidates Pascoe, Albright, Lang, and Orr need to be elected on Nov. 8.

### Tom Curry

Former HSE School Board Member

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# Center for the Performing Arts welcomes six new board members

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Six Indiana business and civic leaders have joined the Board of Directors of the nonprofit Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Board members serve three-year terms on a volunteer basis.

• **Elaine Bedel** of Indianapolis is the chief executive officer of the Indiana Destination Development Corp., as well as owner and president of Bedel Financial Consulting. She graduated from Hanover College and earned an MBA from Butler University.

• **Michael L. Kubacki** of Westfield is the executive chairman of Lake City Bank and its holding com-

pany, Lakeland Financial Corp. He holds a bachelor's degree in business from Indiana University and an MBA from the University of Chicago.

• **Ronald G. Mencias** of Carmel is a wealth management advisor and managing director of the Payne & Mencias Group. He holds degrees from Notre Dame University and Butler University.

• **Soomin Park** of Carmel is associate vice president, Clinical Research Systems, Processes and Information, at Eli Lilly and Co. She holds a Ph.D. in statistics from the University of Wisconsin at Madison and an MBA from In-

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diana University's Kelley School of Business.

• **Minti Ray** of Indianapolis is a partner at McKinsey & Company in Chicago. She graduated from Duke University and earned an MBA from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

• **Tom Urlick** of Carmel is Senior Vice President/Chief Client Officer with

community who are willing to lend their unique perspectives and expertise to our mission."

The board officers elected this year are **Barbara Branic**, Chair; **Kathleen Krusie**, Vice Chair; **Shane Hageman**, Secretary; and **Sam Muse**, Treasurer.

### About the Center for the Performing Arts

The mission of the nonprofit Center for the Performing Arts is to engage and inspire the Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. Its campus in Carmel includes the 1,500-seat Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington proscenium

theater and the black-box Studio Theater. The Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the Center Presents performance series, featuring the best in classical, jazz, pop, rock, country, comedy and other genres. Educational and experiential programming for all ages includes children's concerts and camps, book clubs, lectures, and classes in music and dance. The Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides space and support services for six resident arts companies. More information is available at [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org).



Photo provided by Heartland International Film Festival

Over \$60,000 in cash prizes was awarded to the winners of this year's Heartland International Film Festival which took place this month.

## Heartland International Film Festival announces winners at 31<sup>st</sup> awards presentation

## The REPORTER

The **31st Heartland International Film Festival** (HIFF) announced the 2022 award winners and presented more than \$60,000 in cash prizes to recipients at the Awards Presentation at Historic St. Joseph Hall on Saturday, Oct. 15.

The 11-day festival concluded on Sunday, Oct. 16, with a sold-out screening of Darren Aronofsky's *The Whale* from A24 starring Brendan Fraser and Sadie Sink.

Throughout the festival, attendees were invited to get lost in 120 films, discover 14 U.S. & World Premieres, and meet more than 150 attending filmmakers. The 31st edition of the festival hosted 259 in-person screenings and events and virtually streamed more than 263,000 minutes of films at home.

"This year, we saw our filmmakers and attendees fully embrace the in-person festival experience again," Heartland Film President Michael Ault said. "It has been an honor to showcase and celebrate these incredible independent films together in a theater, and I congratulate our winning filmmakers on their thoughtful and engaging films that resonated with our juries and audience."

All three major cash prizes were awarded to women

directors who were present at the Awards Presentation to accept their awards. The top prize winners included *Hidden Letters* from Director Violet Du Feng and Co-Director Qing Zhao (\$20,000 Documentary Feature Grand Prize), *Our Father, the Devil* from Director Ellie Foubi (\$20,000 Narrative Feature Grand Prize), and *Wildcat* from Directors Melissa Lesh and Trevor Frost (\$5,000 Jimmy Stewart Legacy Award). In partnership with the Stewart Family, HIFF is the only festival in the world to have an award in honor of beloved actor Jimmy Stewart with a cash prize underwritten by the Stewart Family. The Jimmy Stewart Legacy Award and \$5,000 cash prize is awarded to one film in the HIFF lineup that best demonstrates the triumph of the human spirit through determination and the defiance of odds, humble vulnerability, and courage in the face of adversity.

The Audience Choice Award Winners were announced on Monday with the Overall Audience Choice Award going to *Pinball: The Man Who Saved the Game*, directed by Austin Bragg and Meredith Bragg (USA). Audience Choice winners in categories of Narrative, Documentary, Narrative Special Presentation, Doc-

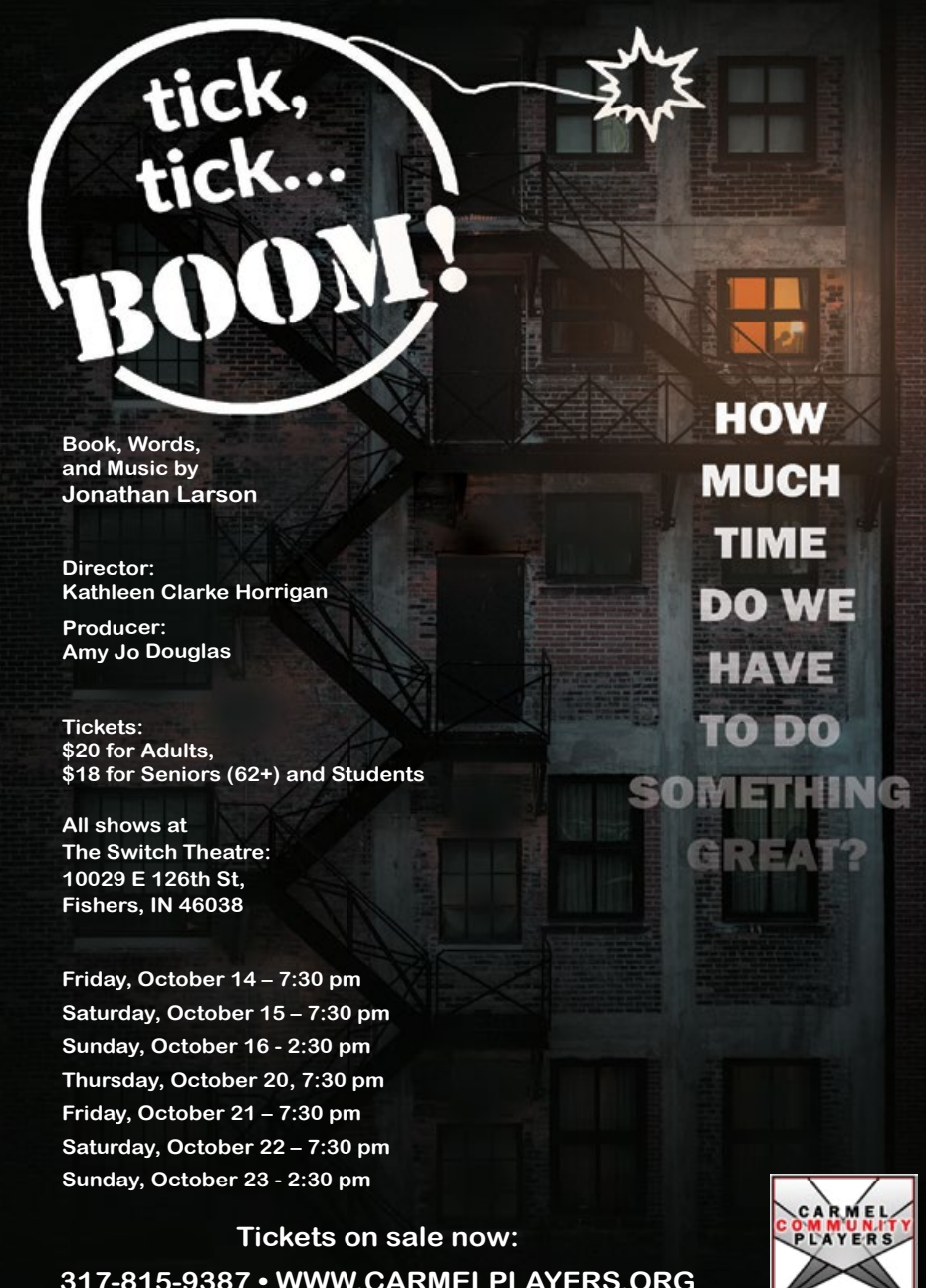
umentary Special Presentation, Horror, and Indiana Spotlight can be found at [this link](http://this link).

The Indiana Film Journalists Association (IFJA) presented *Women Talking*, directed by Sarah Polley (USA) with the IFJA Special Presentation Award and *Pinball: The Man Who Saved the Game*, directed by Austin Bragg and Meredith Bragg (USA) with the IFJA Directorial Debut Award. *Pinball* resonated with audiences and critics, winning both the Overall Audience Choice Award in addition to the Indiana Film Journalists Association Directorial Debut Award.

*Butterfly in the Sky*, like *Pinball*, received two awards at HIFF. Directed by Bradford Thomason and Brett Whitcomb, the documentary about *Reading Rainbow* took home the Richard D. Prope Documentary Social Impact Award (\$2,000 cash prize) and the Documentary Audience Choice Award Winner.

All the 2022 Heartland International Film Festival Award Winners can be found at [this link](http://this link).

The 32nd Heartland International Film Festival is scheduled for Oct. 5 to 15, 2023. More information on the festival and presenting organization can be found at [HeartlandFilm.org](http://HeartlandFilm.org).



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# Meet Violet & outstanding cast of ATI’s extraordinary & moving production

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From the Tony Award-winning composer of *Fun Home* comes a powerhouse Broadway musical. When Violet hops onto a Greyhound bus traveling across Arkansas towards a miracle in Tulsa, it turns into the journey of a lifetime. “A terrific, heart-stirring musical with tangy flavors of country, gospel, blues and honky-tonk rock.” (*New York Times*).

Actors Theatre of Indiana (ATI) announces its next production – *Violet*. A moving musical featuring show-stopping anthems, ranging from American-roots to folk to gospel.

This show, which runs Oct. 28 to Nov. 13, at The Studio Theatre, located on the campus of The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

From Tony-winning composer Jeanine Tesori (*Caroline, or Change*; *Thoroughly Modern Millie*; *Shrek*) and book and lyrics by the acclaimed Brian Crawley (*A Little Princess*) this is a powerhouse piece of theatre. Astounding critics and audiences alike, everything about *Violet* is extraordinary. You’ll never regret taking the ride.

Set in 1964 in the Deep South during the early days of the Civil Rights Movement, this deeply stirring musical follows the growth and enlightenment of a bitter, young, disfigured woman. In hopes that a TV evangelist can cure her, she embarks on a journey by bus from her sleepy North Carolina town to Tulsa, Okla. Along the way, she meets a young black soldier who teaches her about beauty, love, courage and what it means to be an outsider. This Tony Award winning show’s score is made up of bluegrass, rhythm & blues and country.

This is a beautiful musical with a beautiful message. It’s an energetic, toe-tapping show, not to be missed.

The show is recommended for mature audiences.

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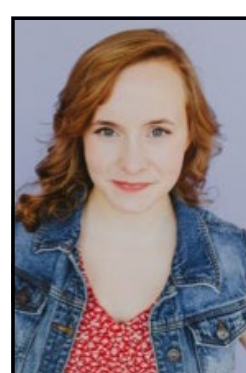
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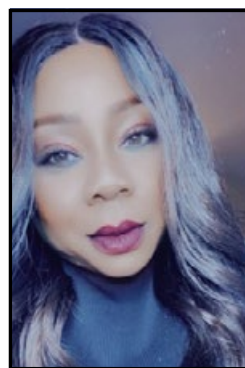
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**QUINCY CARMAN** says she is so excited to be making her debut on the ATI stage. She’s a fourth grader at College Wood Elementary in Carmel. After several years of musical theatre classes at the Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre, she was thrilled to become a resident member of the Jr. Civic Company this year. She was most recently seen in their productions of *The Little Mermaid* and *Frozen Jr.* Other favorite roles include Tippi in Q Artistry’s production of *The Fowl* at the District Theatre and Tigger in Roots Theatre’s production of *Winnie the Pooh*. When not being a typical tween, devouring YouTube videos and TikToks, she can be found on the soccer fields, basketball courts, playing piano and hanging with her favorite pals.

**ERIC OLSON** says he is thrilled to return to ATI, having previously appeared in *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* and *Cabaret*. He spent two years as Houdini in the First National Tour of *Ragtime*, has appeared off-Broadway, and in regional theaters across America and Europe, including

Goodspeed Opera House, Trinity Repertory Company, Sacramento Music Circus, The Kennedy Center and Disney’s Hyperion. In Indiana, Eric has appeared with Cardinal Stage, Phoenix Theatre, HART and others. His shows have included *Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson*, *The Starcatcher*, *Avenue Q* and many more. Film credits include Garry Marshall’s *Raising Helen*, *Rosie’s Rescue*, and *The Shower Singer*. Up next for him is *Elf* with Constellation Stage and Screen and the feature film *Last Shift*, due in theaters in 2023.

**LUKE WEBER** says he is delighted to be making his debut with ATI. This summer, he played Sam in *Lusty Lil’s Lil-abration!* at Cedar Point. He most recently played Eddie Birdlace in *Dogfight* in Buffalo, N.Y. He graduated from Texas Tech University with his BFA in Musical Theatre. Some of his past credits include Gabe in *Next to Normal*, Greg Wilhote in *Hands on a Hardbody*, and Andrew Jackson in *Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson*. He currently lives in New York City and is a winner of the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival

Musical Theatre Fellowship. See more at [luke-weber.com](http://luke-weber.com).

**CODY STIGLICH** says he is excited for *Violet* to be his first fully-staged production at ATI. He was previously seen as Michael Tobias in a reading of *Mr. Confidential* as a part of ATI’s Lab Series. A few of his favorite roles that he has performed are Theo in *American Idiot*, J. Pierrepont Finch in *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, and Brad in *The Rocky Horror Show*. When he’s not on stage, he focuses on growing his skills as a playwright.

**SYDNEY HOWARD** says she is so excited to be making her debut at ATI in a dream role. Originally from Rochester, N.Y., she studied Music Theatre at Baldwin Wallace University. She currently lives in New York City, where she works as a voice teacher while pursuing a career in theatre. Some favorite past roles include the revised world premiere of *Jane Eyre The Musical* (Jane/Helen U/S), *Dogfight* (Rose), *Kinky Boots* (Lauren), and *Next to Normal* (Natalie).

**MATT BRANICH** says he is thrilled to be at ATI for *Violet*. He has appeared in

theater productions throughout the Indianapolis area, including Beef and Boards Dinner Theater (*Hairspray*’s Corny Collins), Indiana Repertory Theater (*A Little Night Music* as Frid), and the Booth Tarkington Theater (*Les Miserables* as Valjean). He received an Encore Award for “Best Actor in a Musical” for his portrayal of Huck in *Big River* at Footlite Musicals, and a nomination for “Best Supporting Actor in a Musical playing Tobias in the St. Petersburg Opera’s *Sweeney Todd*. Additional musical theatre credits include *Rent* (Roger), *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (Joseph), *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Jesus), and *A Little Night Music* (Henrik). He has appeared on the pops stage as a featured soloist with Cleveland, Baltimore, and Long Beach City symphony orchestras in *The Beat Goes On: Music of the Baby Boomers*, the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra in *The 1950’s: The Golden Age of Black and White*, the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra in *A Yuletide Celebration*, and *Hello Dolly!* in Concert starring Sandi Patty and Gary Beach.

**MAURICE-AIMÉ GREEN** says he is honored, excited, and delighted to be making his debut at ATI with *Violet*. Previous credits include Utah Shakespeare Festival (*King Lear*, *All’s Well that Ends Well*, *Trouble in Mind*), Great River Shakespeare Festival (*Romeo and Juliet*), and Nevada Conservatory Theatre (*Little Shop of Horrors*, *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*, *Legally Blonde the Musical*). He was featured in the companies for premiere musical workshops at Philadelphia’s Polyphone Festival of New Musicals (*The Real Whisper*) and the Las Vegas Composer’s Showcase (*Angel of Arkansas*). On television, he was featured in this year’s opening segment for the NFL Draft in his hometown of Las Vegas. Continue to follow Green’s adventures on Instagram @\_MA.Green.

**ALEX CAMPEA** says he is thrilled to make his ATI debut with *Violet*. An actor from Chicago, some of his favorite roles include: George Bailey in *It’s a Wonderful Life* (Memories Ballroom), Lewis in *Pippin* (Skylight Music Theater), Ernie da Moocher in *Guys on Ice* (Palace Theater), and Hunter in *Stars Behind the Clouds* (Dirty Feet Films). He has also been a company member with Northern Sky Theater for eight years, bringing over 10 original roles to life as part of their New Works Initiative. Instagram: @thealexcampea. TikTok: @alexcampea.

**TIFFANY GILLIAM** says she is excited to work with ATI for the first time. She is an actress, singer and commercial model who is a native of Indianapolis. Her recent productions include *Fugitive Songs: A Song Cycle* with Summer Stock Stage, a featured artist in The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra’s *Symphony on the Prairie*, as well as IPL’s *Yuletide Celebration* for several years.

**TIFFANIE BRIDGES** says she is ecstatic and grate-

ful to be on the ATI stage with this amazing cast. Best known for her role as Professional Woman in the Off-Broadway comedic hit, *Menopause the Musical*, Tiffanie has also graced stages at Carmel Repertory, Phoenix Theatre, and Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Most recently she appeared as Medda Larkin in their production of *Newsies* in 2021. You may have seen her in many quirky productions with Q Artistry, or you may have run into her on the fringe circuit with her one-woman extravaganza *Is That Your Reel Hair?* as well. A love and passion to bring stories to life on the stage will always shine bright in her heart.

**JUDY FITZGERALD** has been a member of Actors’ Equity Association since 1993. Broadway credits include Radio City Music Hall with Glen Close; Madison Square Garden with Liza Minnelli; Danny Burstein (conducted by Marvin Hamlisch); She has toured nationally with Debbie Reynolds, Shirley Jones and Omar Sharif. Off-Broadway: *Swingtime Canteen* with Tony Award winner Charles Busch at the Blue Angel; Placido Domingo’s operetta *VLAD* at the Lamb’s Theatre; Dodsworth with John Collum, George Lee Andrews; Dee Hoty at the York Theatre and the John Houseman Theatre; Irene at the Sylvia; Danny Kaye Playhouse; and *Face the Music. That’s The Ticket!* with Tony Award winner, George S. Irving for “Musicals Tonight!” Other credits include Regional, Summer Stock, Dinner Theatre, Cabaret, Symphony Concerts. Judy is one of the Co-Founders of Actors Theatre of Indiana. A native of Indiana and long-time resident of NYC, she now resides in Carmel with her partner Cindy and their beautiful daughter, Lizzie. For more information on Judy, visit [atistage.org](http://atistage.org).

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## About Actors Theatre of Indiana

Actors Theatre of Indiana was co-founded in 2005 by Cynthia Collins, Don Farrell, and Judy Fitzgerald with a mission to celebrate the power of theater and contribute to the quality of life in central Indiana by offering high quality professional theater performances and programs that engage, inspire, educate, and entertain. An award-winning Equity Professional Theater company, Actors Theatre of Indiana is the resident professional theater company of The Studio Theatre at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel, now in its 17th season of high-powered musical theater productions, world premieres, and innovative community works.

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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking. I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles.

Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.” But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

2 Peter 3:1-7 (NIV)

## Alexandra Paterson Robins

March 16, 1952 – August 6, 2022

Alexandra Paterson Robins went home to be with her Heavenly Father on Saturday, Aug. 6, in Indianapolis, after a brief bout with Bulbar ALS. She was 70 years old.

Dr. Robins led a life of travel and adventure. She was born in Schenectady, N.Y., attended high school in Dallas, Texas, and attended Indiana University. She also attended Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Ill., which greatly shaped her life. She enjoyed studying theology and spent time at L’Abri in Switzerland to study with theologian Francis Schaeffer. She spent many years in Chicago, eventually studying chiropractic medicine at National University of Health Sciences in Lombard, Ill., before moving to Carmel to be a caretaker for her parents and to build a chiropractic practice. After many years in practice, Dr. Robins taught health science courses at Ivy Tech Community College and other colleges in the Indianapolis area. Some of the places she enjoyed traveling to include Alaska, Bahamas, Canada, Europe, Israel, and South Korea. Of her travels, her most meaningful trip was to the Holy Land.

Dr. Robins is survived by her siblings, Neill R. Robins III, William M. Robins, Rebecca L. Dissinger, Melinda J. Robins, and Anna E. Robins; her five nieces and nephews; and 10 great-nieces and nephews. Her parents, Neill R. Robins Jr., and Judith W. Robins preceded her in death.

Family and close friends will gather for a private memorial service. Online condolences may be shared by visiting [flannerbuchanan.com](http://flannerbuchanan.com). Arrangements were entrusted to Flanner Buchanan – Carmel.

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### Meeting Notice

The Cicero Stormwater Utility Board will hold a special meeting to discuss moving forward with the grant for the Brinton Street Project at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 24, 2022, at the Red Bridge Park Community Building, 697 W. Jackson St., Cicero.

Thanks for reading  
The Reporter!

## Suzi Boyer

February 15, 1947 – October 18, 2022

Suzi Boyer, 75, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at her home. She was born on February 15, 1947, in Noblesville.

Suzi was owner/operator of Village Hairdresser and Details Hair Salons. She was a supporter at Christmastime of Riley Hospital for Children.

Suzi is survived by her husband, Jeff Boyer; son, Joe Burris II; daughter, Mandy Clark; stepson, Jason (Maggie) Boyer; stepdaughter, Jessica (Steve) Klabak; sister, Teri Ransom; and four grandchildren, Aiden Burris, Hunter Korchick, Parker Boyer, and Ellie Boyer.

Suzi was preceded in death by her father, Sam Miller; mother, Evelyn M. (Smith) Steele; brother, Sam Miller; and her grandmother, Gladys Smith.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate. Burial will follow at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children’s Foundation, 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204 ([rileykids.org](http://rileykids.org)).

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## Joan Ilene King

September 16, 1932 – October 16, 2022

Joan Ilene King, 90, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, October 16, 2022, at Riverview Health in Noblesville after a lingering illness. She was born on September 16, 1932, to John and Bertha Guthrie in Mitchell, Ind.

Joan was a member of Westfield First United Methodist Church. She loved to water ski, play cards, square dance, and fly with her husband. Joan played the organ and cello and loved to sing with the Sweet Adelines. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family, especially at the holidays.

Joan is survived by her children, Michael (Lou Ann) King, Joetta (William) Ruble, Lee Ann Stevens, and Mark King; grandchildren, Jessica (Josh) Kunze, Beth King, Monica (Matt) Baird, Robert (Karin) DeVol, April King, and Melanie King (L.E. Stratton); 16 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert King; sons, Patrick King and Timothy Dale Stevens; and members of the Guthrie family.

Private family services will be held with burial at Summit Lawn Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692 ([heart.org](http://heart.org)); or American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023 ([diabetes.org/donate](http://diabetes.org/donate)).

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## Soccer

# Millers might make history Saturday

### The REPORTER

When the Noblesville soccer teams travel to Kokomo on Saturday, they will be trying to do something few schools have done before.

Both the Millers boys and girls teams are not only competing for Class 3A north semi-state championship, but also a chance to go to the state finals. The boys will go first, taking on Penn at 3:30 p.m., then the girls play Crown Point afterwards, with that game starting around 6 p.m.

Should both Millers teams win their respective games, Noblesville would join an elite list of schools that have had both their boys and girls soccer squads qualify for state in the same year. Three other schools are attempting to accomplish that feat as well: Mishawaka Marian and Fort Wayne Canterbury are both trying for a first boy-girl state double, while Evansville Memorial is looking to do it for a state-record extending fifth time.

Carmel did the boy-girl state double last season, as the Greyhounds sent both teams to the Class 3A final. Carmel's girls are still in the mix as well: The 'Hounds will play Center Grove in the 3A south semi-state championship, which starts at 1 p.m.

### Similar records

Noblesville's boys will meet a Penn team that has a similar record to the No. 7-ranked Millers. Noblesville is 14-3-3, while the No. 15-ranked Kingsmen are 13-4-4.

Penn had the majority of its ties in the early part of the season. After opening with a 2-1 victory over Homestead, the Kingsmen played to draws with Northridge (0-0), Munster (2-2), Concord (1-1).

At one point during its campaign, Penn held a record of 2-3-3. Since then, the Kingsmen have won



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

With their regional trophy already in hand, the Noblesville girls soccer team couldn't wait to join the Millers boys team after it won the Kokomo regional in penalty kicks last Saturday. Noblesville's teams will return to Kokomo this Saturday to play in the Class 3A north semi-state, with a chance to send both teams to the state finals.

11 of their last 13 games, including their last six contests.

Penn began its tournament run at Sectional 3, hosted by South Bend Adams. The Kingsmen upset No. 6-ranked Chesterton in the first round 2-1, then beat South Bend Riley 12-0 in the semi-finals and South Bend Adams 2-1 in the championship. In the regional, Penn won its semi-final at Goshen 5-4, then returned home for the final, where the Kingsmen defeated Lake Central 2-1.

The Millers are also on a six-game win streak. Noblesville won Sectional 8 at Fishers by beating Pendleton Heights 5-0 in the semi-finals, then defeated No. 5-ranked Hamilton Southeastern 3-0 in the championship.

The Millers then hosted Warsaw in the regional semi-final, and got past the No. 14-ranked Tigers 2-1.

That sent them to Kokomo for the regional final, and Noblesville staged a remarkable comeback, pulling itself out of a 3-1 deficit to tie the game 3-3 at the end of regulation.

The final eventually went to penalty kicks, and the Millers won the shootout 4-2. Noah Bernot made the winning PK, and it was no surprise that Noblesville named him as the Player of the Game afterwards.

If your name is Sam and you're on the Millers team, then you are leading the offense. Junior Sam Holland has the most goals with 12 and is second in assists with seven. Meanwhile, senior Sam Divis is the assist leader with nine and second in goals scored with 11. Junior goalkeeper Cole Thompson has 61 saves, and made some crucial plays for Noblesville during its shootout with Carroll at the regional.

### Sectional streaks

The 3A girls north semi-state features two teams that are on sectional win streaks. Top-ranked Noblesville has won four sectional titles in a row, while No. 12-ranked Crown Point has claimed three straight sectional crowns.

The Bulldogs are 17-4-1 for the season and started their tournament at Sectional 2 at Portage. Crown Point won a firefight over Valparaiso 5-3 in the first round, beat Hobart 7-0 in the semi-finals and edged out No. 13-ranked Chesterton 2-1 in the championship.

The Bulldogs hosted Lake Central in the regional semi-final and won 2-0. Crown Point then traveled to Penn for the championship and played the host Kingsmen, with the Bulldogs winning 2-1. It was Crown Point's first regional title since 2012 and the school's fourth overall.

Senior Zoey Wells is the Bulldogs' scoring leader with 11 goals, and she has also handed out eight assists. Sophomore Ava Haluska is by far the leader in assists with 16, and is second in scoring with nine goals. Wells and junior Braelyn Witte each have dished out eight assists, while sophomore Izzy Sainato has put in eight goals. Senior goalkeeper Addison Poulter has 34 saves.

The Millers are 18-1 for the season. Noblesville was the site of the always-tough Sectional 8 this year, and started its run with a 3-1 victory over Fishers in the first round. The Millers then beat No. 2-ranked Hamilton Southeastern 1-0 in the semi-finals before defeating Pendleton Heights 3-0 in the championship.

Noblesville hosted Homestead in the regional semi-final, and took care of the Spartans 3-0. That qualified the Millers for the championship at Kokomo, where they defeated Fort Wayne Carroll 5-0.

Senior Ava Bramblett, committed to Ohio State, has the most goals for Noblesville with 15, and has also dished out five assists. Sophomore Meredith Tippler has 11 goals and leads the assists list with nine. Senior Meskerem James and junior Sydney Elliott both have seven goals for the season, with senior Lauren Adam making six assists. Sophomore Bella Wyatt has 27 goalkeeper saves.

### Re-match at Seymour

The Carmel and Center Grove girls soccer teams played each other earlier in the season, back on Sept. 21 in the Greyhounds' Senior Night game. Carmel won 2-0.

The two teams will meet

in Seymour for a re-match, with the 'Hounds ranked No. 3 and the Trojans rated No. 7. Both teams hold 17-2-2 records for the season.

The Trojans hosted Sectional 14, and beat No. 9-ranked Bloomington South in the first round 1-0. After that, Center Grove defeated Bloomington North 3-0 in the semi-finals and Terre Haute South 4-0 in the championship.

In the regional semi-final, the Trojans hosted Roncalli and won 2-0. That sent Center Grove to Bloomington South for the championship, and they beat No. 10 Evansville Reitz handily, 4-1.

Two seniors lead the Trojans' scoring: Emily Karr has put in 13 goals with Ali Wiesmann has 12 goals. Junior Taylor Wert has handed out 14 assists to go along with her seven goals, while senior Molly Tapak has seven goals to her credit. Junior Sophia Gorall has 65 goalkeeper saves.

Carmel began its tournament run at Sectional 10 at Westfield. The Greyhounds beat Crispus Attucks 7-0 in the first round, then took care of two ranked teams: No. 4 Zionsville 3-1 in the semi-finals and No. 14 North Central 2-0 in the championship.

Carmel hosted both its regional games, starting with a 3-0 victory over Brownsburg in the semi-finals. The 'Hounds beat No. 11-ranked Cathedral 4-2 in the championship.

Junior Megan Hamm is on top of the Carmel scoring list with 12 goals and eight assists, with sophomore Olivia Cebalo putting in 10 goals. Senior Sophie Shepherd also has handed out eight assists for the season. Senior goalkeeper Aubree Empie has 52 saves.

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**Soccer Semi-State Schedule**  
Courtesy IHSAA — All times Eastern

**NORTH**  
At Kokomo  
Class 1A Boys: Westview vs. Park Tudor, 1 p.m.  
Class 3A Boys: Penn vs. Noblesville, 3:30 p.m.  
Class 3A Girls: Crown Point vs. Noblesville, 6 p.m.

At Chesterton  
Class 2A Boys: Mishawka Marian vs. Fort Wayne Canterbury, 2 p.m.  
Class 2A Girls: Mishawaka Marian vs. Leo, 4:30 p.m.  
Class 1A Girls: Andrean vs. Fort Wayne Canterbury, 7 p.m.

**SOUTH**  
At Evansville North  
Class 2A Girls: Bishop Chatard vs. Evansville Memorial, 2 p.m.  
Class 2A Boys: Brebeuf Jesuit vs. Evansville Memorial, 4:30 p.m.  
Class 1A Girls: Park Tudor vs. Evansville Mater Dei, 7 p.m.

At Seymour  
Class 3A Girls: Carmel vs. Center Grove, 1 p.m.  
Class 3A Boys: Cathedral vs. Columbus North, 3 p.m.  
Class 1A Boys: Greenwood Christian vs. Forest Park, 5 p.m.

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SPORTS SCHEDULE Cross Country

**Friday, Oct. 21**  
**FOOTBALL**  
*Sectional 28 games*  
Bishop Chatard at Northwestern, 7 p.m.  
Heights at Maconaquah, 7 p.m.  
Guerin Catholic at Oak Hill, 7 p.m.  
Tippecanoe Valley at Peru, 7 p.m.  
*Sectional 45 games*  
Union City at Sheridan, 7 p.m.  
Indiana Deaf at Tindley, 7 p.m.  
Wes-Del at Hagerstown, 7 p.m.  
**TENNIS**  
Boys individual state quarter-finals, 2 p.m. at Park Tudor

**Saturday, Oct. 22**  
**BOYS SOCCER SEMI-STATES**  
*At Kokomo*  
Noblesville vs. Penn, 3:30 p.m.  
**CROSS COUNTRY SEMI-STATES**  
Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Noblesville, Westfield at Shelbyville, 10:30 a.m.  
Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern at Indiana Wesleyan University, 10:30 a.m.  
**GIRLS SOCCER SEMI-STATES**  
*At Seymour*  
Carmel vs. Center Grove, 1 p.m.  
*At Kokomo*  
Noblesville vs. Crown Point, 6 p.m.  
**VOLLEYBALL REGIONALS**  
*At Monrovia*  
Western Boone vs. Northview, 10 a.m.  
Guerin Catholic vs. Speedway, noon  
Championship, 6 p.m.  
*At Noblesville*  
Hamilton Southeastern vs. Fort Wayne Carroll, 10 a.m.  
McCutcheon vs. Homestead, noon  
Championship, 6 p.m.

**Friday, Oct. 28**  
**FOOTBALL**  
*Sectional 3 games*  
Fishers at Fort Wayne Northrop, 7 p.m.  
Homestead at Southeastern, 7 p.m.  
*Sectional 4 games*  
Westfield at Carmel, 7 p.m.  
Zionsville at Noblesville, 7 p.m.

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Noblesville's Asher Propst is one of several Hamilton County cross country runners named to the IATCCC's Academic All-State list for 2022.

Top-tier student-athlete runners earn Academic All-State status

**The REPORTER**  
The Indiana Association of Track and Cross Country Coaches announced its 2022 Cross Country Academic All-State list last week.  
The awards go to juniors and seniors who are varsity athletes on a sectional roster with a minimum grade-point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. Student-athletes must have a minimum SAT score of 1200 or an ACT composite of 26; juniors can also have a PSAT score of 1140.  
A list of Hamilton County honorees appears at right.

**Hamilton County Track & Cross Country Honorees**

<b>Girls Academic All-State</b> <b>Fishers:</b> Brooke Butts, Ana Foutty, Nithya Murty <b>Guerin Catholic:</b> Bailey Freese, Bridget Gallagher, Anna Hoshaw. <b>Noblesville:</b> Paige Hazelrigg. <b>University:</b> Emily Comparini. <b>Westfield:</b> Sydney Klinglesmith.	<b>Guerin Catholic:</b> James Crocker, Nathan Traub. <b>Hamilton Southeastern:</b> Joseph Augustine, Truman Cluff. <b>Noblesville:</b> Asher Propst. <b>University:</b> Benjamin Gleason, Benjamin Pollack-Milgate. <b>Westfield:</b> Owen Flynn, Ike O'Neill.
<b>Girls Honorable Mention</b> <b>Fishers:</b> Katelyn Thomas. <b>Hamilton Southeastern:</b> Haley Johnson. <b>Noblesville:</b> Brooke Lahee, Bella Lingenfelter, Summer Rempe, Allie Stamm. <b>University:</b> Kendall Booth-Maitland <b>Westfield:</b> Hannah Gallagher, Mary Kate Sloan.	<b>Boys Honorable Mention</b> <b>Carmel:</b> Andrew Cebalo, Charlie Leedke, Kole Mathison, Max Mesiner, Liam Oman, Charlie Stuelpe, KJ Sweeney. <b>Fishers:</b> Matthew Kim. <b>Guerin Catholic:</b> Max Fish, Jack Weber. <b>Hamilton Southeastern:</b> Brayden Gebhard, Adam Warski. <b>Noblesville:</b> Simon Adams, Brady Barnes, Caden Click, J.D. Wax. <b>University:</b> Alfonzo Gallanosa.

Cross Country Rankings   Courtesy IATCCC.org			
BOYS		GIRLS	
1. Carmel	13. Bloomington South	1. Columbus North	13. Penn
2. Zionsville	14. Brownsburg	2. Noblesville	14. Franklin Central
3. Noblesville	15. Westfield	3. North Central	15. Bishop Chatard
4. Columbus North	16. Penn	4. Homestead	16. Guerin Catholic
5. Center Grove	17. Goshen	5. Carmel	17. East Central
6. Fishers	18. Floyd Central	6. Hamilton Southeastern	18. Princeton
7. Franklin Central	19. Greenfield-Central	7. Zionsville	19. Edgewood
8. Brebeuf Jesuit	20. Bishop Chatard	8. Valparaiso	20. Brownsburg
9. Valparaiso	21. Chesterton	9. Bloomington South	21. East Noble
10. Northridge	22. Mount Vernon	10. Concordia Lutheran	22. Warsaw
11. Bloomington North	23. Concordia Lutheran	11. Floyd Central	23. Avon
12. Hamilton Southeastern	24. La Porte	12. Fort Wayne Carroll	24. Westfield
	25. Guerin Catholic		25. Northview

Tennis Three boys tennis players going to finals

**The REPORTER**  
Three Hamilton County tennis players will compete this weekend in the IHSAA boys tennis individual state finals at Park Tudor.  
In singles, Fishers senior Reese Knoderer will play Bloomington North senior Nicholas Shirley in a quarter-final match at 2 p.m. Friday. The other quarter-final also features two seniors: Westview's Isaiah Hotstetler takes on Southmont's Adam Cox. Both are undefeated for the season.  
The quarter-final winners advance to the Saturday morning semi-finals, which begin at 10 a.m. The Knoderer-Shirley winner takes on Culver Academies junior Tyler Li, while the Hotstetler-Cox winner plays Harrison senior Aaron Gu, who is also unbeaten and committed to the U.S. Naval Academy.  
In doubles, the Carmel team of junior Braedon McIntyre and sophomore Michael Bao plays the Evansville North duo of junior Gabe Wilke and senior William Cusic in a Friday quarter-final match. McIntyre and Bao are perfect for the season at 17-0.  
The winner of that match plays North Central's junior team of Akshay Guttikonda and Owen Larrimer in the Saturday morning semi-finals. The Panthers team received a bye and the top seed after North Central won the team championship last weekend.  
The other two quarter-finals will see Jasper's team of sophomore Eli Flick and senior Noah Schue play Park Tudor juniors Oliver Seifert and Michael Fryburg, then Columbus North juniors Anvay Atram and Amrit Kar take on the South Bend St. Joseph duo of sophomore Jake Westberry and freshman Luke Blumentritt. Those two quarter-final winners will play each other in the Saturday morning semi-finals.  
Both the singles and doubles championship matches begin at 2 p.m. Saturday.

**Regional winners**  
Knoderer and the McIntyre-Bao team advanced to state after winning the Kokomo regional last Saturday.  
Knoderer won both of his matches in straight sets, beating West Lafayette senior Arun Raman 6-2, 6-3 in the semi-finals and senior Charles Behrman 7-5, 6-4 in the championship. McIntyre and Bao only dropped one game in their matches, defeating the Eastern Hancock team of senior Bryce Wennen and sophomore Myles Wennen 6-1, 6-0 in the semi-finals and Winchester seniors Andrew Loyd and Charles Sausser 6-0, 6-0 in the championship.

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