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**Beech Grove City Schools host disability awareness session**

Mrs. Marshall, Ms. Fuchs, and Mrs. Royalty recently hosted an enlightening session on disability awareness, featuring speaker Emelia Byrum. Byrum shared valuable insights with our students about disabilities and the vital role of service dogs in assisting individuals with disabilities. During the session, students gained a deeper understanding of what it means to be disabled, learned proper etiquette when encountering a service dog, and discovered how these incredible animals are trained. They even had the opportunity to interact with the dogs and witness firsthand some of the tasks they perform to support their handlers while on duty.



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It was an enriching experience that fostered empathy, understanding, and appreciation for individuals with disabilities and their dedicated service animals. Let's continue to spread awareness and create a more inclusive and supportive community for all!  
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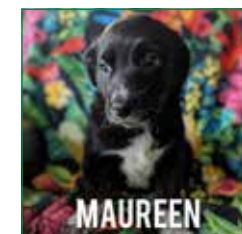
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## Mitzi Garman

Director of Communications  
Beech Grove City Schools

By Julie Brackemyre

### 1. In what town do you work, and how long have you worked on the Southside of Indy?

I am truly grateful to be a part of the vibrant community of Beech Grove. Over the past nearly two years, I've been embraced by a work and community family that exemplifies love and care for one another, extending their support not only to neighbors but also to strangers in need. Beech Grove feels like a continuation of my southern Indiana roots, having grown up in Brown County and living in Bloomington since 1992. Home, to me, is wherever I find myself surrounded by such warmth and belonging. I couldn't be more proud to call myself a Beech Grove Hornet!

### 2. Describe your immediate family to us.

My family is my rock, the center of my world. I feel incredibly fortunate to not only have their unwavering support but also to share my professional journey with my husband of over 32 years, who also works in Beech Grove. We have been blessed with two remarkable adult daughters who bring immense joy to our lives, even though they now reside out of state as they pursue their dreams.

After graduating college, both girls made the adventurous move to Nashville, Tenn., where they lived together for over a year. Our oldest daughter, Cassie, pursued her passion for nursing and graduated from the University of Southern Indiana with her BSN, RN. She now works as a NICU nurse in Roanoke, Va., where she's found her calling. We're thrilled that she's also recently engaged and planning her wedding in one of our favorite places, the picturesque state of Maine!

Meanwhile, our youngest daughter, Mandy, graduated from Purdue University, where she was proudly on the cheer squad for her beloved Boilermakers. She's since flourished as a graphic designer in Nashville, Tenn., where her creative talents shine. While we miss having them close by, we couldn't be prouder of the incredible women they've become!

### 3. Does your family identify with a certain faith, and if so, can you tell us more about the traditions in your faith?

Our faith is the cornerstone of our imperfect lives. For the past 28 years, Sherwood Oaks Christian Church in Bloomington has been our church home. One of my favorite verses, Philippians 4:4-9, encapsulates the essence of my faith journey and serves as a daily inspiration. It reminds me that joy is a choice, a powerful force that can transform even the toughest of days.

Our faith traditions are deeply intertwined with our family celebrations, particularly during the holiday season. There's a special magic in the air leading up to Christmas. It's the most wonderful time of the year, made even more meaningful as it coincides with our oldest daughter's birthday.

### 4. Describe your perfect family outing.

Our ideal family outings have evolved over the years, transitioning from magical days at Disney World to unforgettable adventures in Nashville, Tenn. For me, live music isn't just a passion—it's a part of my identity. And anyone that knows me, knows I will dance to anything! There's something truly special about soaking in the melodies of a cover band or a talented guitarist while perched on a rooftop or on the main floor on Broadway!

During the years when both our daughters lived in downtown Nashville, visiting this crazy city became a monthly tradition. Still now, we visit every chance we can! I'm enamored by its diverse music scene, where we can seamlessly transition from jazz in the Gulch to the energetic atmosphere of a Honky Tonk in Midtown. This shared love for Nashville and its music culture strengthens the bond between my husband, our daughters, and me. It's a place where the four of us can just be and create cherished memories together with each visit.

### 5. What are three words to describe the reasons you choose to work on the Southside of Indy?

Wow. Three words. That's hard. I'm not following directions, but here's what comes to mind is: Fresh Horizons, Exceptional Individuals, Abundant Possibilities.



### 6. Ask your youngest child (or spouse or sibling) to describe you.

Well, my youngest is 26, but I did just send her a text. Her answers were much kinder than I might have expected:

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## Samuel Bryan Chapter NSDAR offers African American genealogy research

The Samuel Bryan Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) Registrar Kimberly Shepherd led a publicly offered class, "Researching your African American Genealogy" at the Beech Grove Public Library.

Shepherd oversees the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Samuel Bryan chapter community lineage classes held monthly at the library. Her experience as a certified genealogist, chapter registrar, and a member of the State Applications Team provides her with knowledge and expertise to draw on to present this class for the public. This workshop had people



NSDAR Registrar Kimberly Shepherd leading the "Researching your African American Genealogy" class. (Submitted photo)

attending who were semi-experienced and those who were just starting their genealogical journey. The presentation included a real case scenario that was researched through the sponsored Samuel Bryan chapter lineage class. At the end of the presentation, many questions were asked, and resources were given to the participants to help them further their research. The class discussion showed these descendants' real interest in finding their African American ancestors.

For DAR membership inquiries and other questions about the Samuel Bryan Chapter, contact them by emailing [samuelbryanchapterdar@gmail.com](mailto:samuelbryanchapterdar@gmail.com). Their website is [samuelbryanchapterdar.com](http://samuelbryanchapterdar.com).

## Aspire 2024 General Assembly recap

After significant discussion that the 2024 General Assembly session was to be a "do nothing/emergency issues only" session, legislators debated and passed major pieces of policy. Aspire Economic Development + Chamber Alliance successfully advocated for their priorities to support workforce development. The private sector has made dramatic adjustments and investments in its talent recruiting and retention efforts over the last few years. Ultimately, some statewide challenges remain an obstacle to Indiana achieving its full potential in labor participation rate, average wage, and economic output. Nearly 175 pieces of legislation passed through both chambers. The governor vetoed just one. For a rundown of the 2024 session results, starting with Aspire's main efforts, go to [aspirejohnsoncounty.com/aspire-2024-general-assembly-recap-childcare-seats-workforce-pipeline-and-happy-hour](http://aspirejohnsoncounty.com/aspire-2024-general-assembly-recap-childcare-seats-workforce-pipeline-and-happy-hour)

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# Anna's Celebration of Life

*Local nonprofit serving children with special needs invites the community to an upcoming golf fundraiser*

Compiled by Nancy Hammerstrom

In recent years, several Greenwood children with special needs are now able to communicate successfully, become more independent, and spend time enjoying the outdoors to play with friends and family, thanks to the generosity of Anna's Celebration of Life Foundation (ACOLF), an Indiana nonprofit that provides life enhancing gifts to children throughout Indiana with special needs since 2005.

Another gift presentation through the nonprofit will be on May 23, and the public is invited to attend and enjoy a fun afternoon of golf, dinner, drinks, and prizes, all while helping to raise funds for a good cause, in conjunction with the fourth annual Jeff Johnson Memorial Golf Outing at Dye's Walk Country Club in Greenwood.

## A Q&A with Brad Haberman, executive director for Anna's Celebration of Life

**Tell us about Anna, the inspiration for Anna's Celebration of Life Foundation.**

Anna Molloy was a little girl born with a rare genetic disorder who wanted to ensure that other children with special needs were afforded the joy of "celebrating their specialness" by providing them with gifts needed to thrive. Approximately 100 families a year are served. Our vision is that the lives of all children with special needs are celebrated.

**How has the foundation specifically helped local children?**

Brendan, a 16-year-old Greenwood resident, is now able to leave the house more and exercise after he was presented with a RadTrike Ebike in March, valued at \$2,000. Brendan is a fun, silly boy who is

always up for a good laugh and has a great, playful spirit. He was born prematurely at 27 weeks. He struggles with Lennox-Gastaut syndrome, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, cognitive delay, hearing loss, and more. Now Brendan loves to ride his Ebike with his brothers and neighbors to the nearby park. It gives him independence and also gives him the ability to bond more with peers and family through play.

Last year's recipient was Hudson, son of Samantha and Brent Dikeman of Greenwood. Hudson suffers from TAF1 Syndrome (relatively rare), is deaf, and unable to walk. Due to the generosity of Chuck Goodrich, Gaylor Electric was able to assemble a 16-foot-by-12-inch pavilion that would enable Hudson to enjoy the outdoors with his family.

Other Greenwood children that have received gifts from Anna's Celebration of Life in recent years include:

- Daniel, a 2-year-old who is autistic and non-verbal, received an iPad Communications package valued at \$700.
- Brooklyn and Ava, Greenwood twins, both autistic and non-verbal, received an iPad Communications package valued at \$700 each.
- Grahym, a 3-year-old who is autistic and non-verbal, received an iPad Communications package valued at \$700.
- Elias, a 4-year-old who is autistic and non-verbal, received an iPad Communications package valued at \$700.
- Ari, a 5-year-old who suffered from brain tumor complications and received a Wike special needs bike trailer valued at \$1,000.

- Mia, a 4-year-old with Periventricular leukomalacia & Cerebral palsy received a table stand valued at \$600.

**Tell us about Jeff Johnson, the inspiration for the Jeff Johnson Memorial Golf Outing.**

Jeffrey Johnson, a Greenwood native, was a mentor in the construction industry for 35-plus years. He loved to play golf and was a member at Dye's Walk Country Club. He truly believed that friendships were built for life and would always be the first person to lend a hand. Jeff passed away on Feb. 25, 2020. In his honor, his family holds an annual memorial golf outing to raise money on behalf of Anna's Celebration of Life.

**Registration and additional information for the Jeff Johnson Memorial Golf Outing.**

Registration and driving range begin at 11 a.m. on May 23 at Dye's Walk Country Club, 2080 S. State Road 135, Greenwood, IN 46143. All proceeds will benefit Anna's Celebration of Life. The tournament is a scramble format. Following golf, dinner, drinks, and prizes will be provided. Each participant will get three drink tickets for the day with a cash bar available during and after. Registrations are still available for this year's golf outing. For more information and a registration form, please email [jeffjohnsonmemorial@gmail.com](mailto:jeffjohnsonmemorial@gmail.com)

## Additional ways to receive support or donate to Anna's Celebration of Life

Potential applicants may complete an application at [ACOLF.org](http://ACOLF.org)

For those who wish to contribute costs to support a child, go to [annas23.givesmart.com](http://annas23.givesmart.com)

Follow on YouTube or Instagram @AnnaCelebratesLife or go to [linkedin.com/company/annascelebrationoflife](http://linkedin.com/company/annascelebrationoflife)



(Left) From left to right: Pete Molloy, father of Anna Molloy and president of Anna's Celebration of Life, with Brent and Samantha Dikeman, along with their son Hudson. | (Right) Brendan, 16, of Greenwood, with his new RadTrike Ebike. | (Cover) Brad Haberman, executive director of Anna's Celebration of Life (ACOLF), delivers a RadTrike Ebike. (Photos by Philip Jones)

## How to spring out of inaction this month

By Robert Gonzalez, M.D.  
Pediatrician with Eskenazi Health



For some of us, getting more exercise isn't the goal; for some of us, it's getting any. It can be daunting to transition from no movement to

the 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic exercise per week (at minimum) recommended by the government's Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans. The World Health Organization may warn us that there's a 20 to 30 percent increased risk of heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and cancer if we are inactive, but that doesn't help us abruptly start visiting the gym four times a week, much less keep that routine going.

That's why the American Heart Association recommends we consider habit stacking, which means adding healthy routines to what we're already doing. While we may dream of transforming our lives overnight, old habits don't break easily. Consider capitalizing on your habits instead.

The American College of Lifestyle Medicine recommends tracking your daily routines for 30 days to find opportunities for changes. How do you get to work? For what length of time do you scroll through Instagram? Suspend all judgment. Tracking is not about feeling guilty; it's about discovering potential. Then seek opportunities for action, such as these steps:

- Add good habits to sedentary routines. You may have no intention of breaking your weekly watching of "The Bachelor," "The Real Housewives," or your favorite sport. You can, however, add the 20-8-2 rule to your viewing. After sitting for 20 minutes, stand for eight and walk for two. Alternatively, do a lap around the couch if your team makes a goal. (This practice obviously yields better results for basketball than soccer.) You can always keep the shades or curtains drawn if you feel silly. Using resistance bands as you watch TV or movies is another easy add-on to couch time.
- Make small moves to improve your strength and balance. Stand on one foot

while you brush your teeth or stand on a balance board as you listen to voicemail messages or your favorite podcast.

- Adjust your work routines. Take the long route to go to the bathroom, to fill up your water mug, or to grab coffee. Park farther back in the parking lot. If you have a desk job, try not to let 30 minutes pass without movement.

- Convert a regularly planned — but stationary — get-together with friends into a regular walk, run, hike, or gym visit. Accountability partners are crucial for many of us. It helps to be concerned about someone else's health rather than or in addition to your own. Plus, staying healthy makes it easier for you and your friends to keep this get-together going.

- Look for interesting opportunities in your neighborhood. Eskenazi Health Healthy Me programs include manageable options such as walking groups, so be sure to check out their offerings.

The good news is that activity leads to more energy, a better mood, and additional sleep, so the more we do, the more we'll be motivated to stay in motion.

Just be easy on yourself as you begin. It's far better to start with small steps you can sustain than to keep feeling guilty about resolutions you have no intention of keeping.



Robert Gonzalez, M.D. (Submitted photo)

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### Indiana Members Credit Union announces 2024 Cancer Awareness Card beneficiary

Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU) has announced the Caroline Symmes Children's Cancer Endowment as the new member-nominated beneficiary for its Cancer Awareness Debit Card. The IMCU Cancer Awareness Debit Card provides members an opportunity to support a different cancer-related organization each year. A portion of each signature transaction made with this card from March 1, 2024,

through Feb. 28., 2025, up to \$10,000, will be donated to the Caroline Symmes Children's Cancer Endowment. The card is available for issue to members at IMCU's 31 Indiana locations. The IMCU Cancer Awareness Debit Card is an option to members with a free checking

account and can be issued immediately via IMCU's instant issue program, which allows members to receive their debit card on the spot. The Caroline Symmes Children's Cancer Endowment was



(Submitted photo)

created in honor of the late Caroline Symmes. Caroline Symmes was 5 years old when cancer ended her life. Out of her tragedy, the Caroline Symmes Children's Cancer Endowment was born to raise funds for

researchers at Riley Hospital for Children and inspire hope in future pediatric patients and their families. For more information about the IMCU Cancer Awareness Debit Card, please visit IMCU online at [imcu.com](https://imcu.com), or visit an IMCU branch for details.

# Southside ICON of the Week

## Dr. Laura Hammack

*Superintendent of Beech Grove City Schools loves the Southside community*

By Julie Brackemyre

Dr. Laura Hammack is superintendent of Beech Grove City Schools, a small, urban school district serving 2,800 students in Marion County. She is currently in her third year as superintendent. Previously, Dr. Hammack was a superintendent for five years in Brown County Schools, a small rural school district serving 1,700 students in Nashville, Ind.

Dr. Hammack began her career as an elementary special education teacher and a general education sixth grade teacher. She served as principal of Helmsburg Elementary School in Morgantown, Ind. and was an assistant superintendent of Brown County Schools before she moved to Beech Grove City Schools as a director of Special Education and assistant superintendent.

Dr. Hammack has a bachelor's degree from DePauw University, a master's degree from Indiana University-Bloomington, and a Doctor of Philosophy from Indiana State University. Dr. Hammack serves as the president-elect for the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents, vice president of the Indiana Urban Schools Association, is on the executive committee for the Indiana Bar Foundation, is a member of the Indiana University Leadership Advisory Council and a board member for the Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce, the Beech Grove Drug Free Coalition, and the Beech Grove Education Foundation, and serves as an adjunct professor for Indiana University-Bloomington.

### What do you consider your greatest virtue?

The virtue that is incredibly important to maintain as a superintendent is honesty. I do my best to ensure honesty is the foundation for my leadership.

### What do you most deplore in others?

Dishonesty

### What do you like most about working on the Southside of Indy?

I LOVE working on the Southside of Indianapolis in the incredible city of Beech Grove. Our schools are blessed to receive strong support from our citizens.

### If you had to live anywhere else, where would it be?

I was born and raised outside of Cleveland. While I have been a Hoosier since 1995, my hometown will always be home!

### If you could begin life over, what would you change?

Most of my regrets fall under the umbrella of wishing I could have "do-overs" on conversations where I may have hurt someone's feelings.

### If money weren't an issue, where would you spend it?

Personally, travel! Professionally, in the BGCS Operations Fund!

### What makes you happiest?

My family. And that includes our black labrador, Daisy, and orange cat, Simon. Yes, our pets are black and orange – just like Beech Grove!

### What is your favorite vacation spot?

The Outer Banks of North Carolina. Our family spends a week there every June.

### What do you do with your idle time?

There is not much idle time in the life of a superintendent; however, I use any available time to be active – I love yoga classes, riding our bikes, and taking long walks.

### What is it that makes you angry?

When children are neglected and/or abused

### What do you do to escape from reality?

Mindless television!



### What/who is the greatest love of your life?

I am blessed to have been married to Anthony for almost 24 years, and still pinch myself that I get to be his wife.

### What is the quality you most like in a person?

I love people who are positive, fun, caring, and smart.

### What is your greatest extravagance?

When we take a vacation, we like to upgrade!

### What is your favorite restaurant?

Napoli Villa, Beech Grove

### Who is the person most influential in your life?

It's a tie – my dad, mom, and sister.

### What are your fears/phobias?

I am extremely claustrophobic.

### Which talent would you most like to possess?

I wish I could sing! Growing up in church choir, our director used to always tell me to be quieter! Ha!

### What do you most value in your friends?

I am blessed to have a wonderful group of girlfriends. We are all very busy and sometimes it can be weeks before we see each other. I value that no matter those gaps, we are there for each other always.

### Who is your favorite historical figure?

Jesus

### What is your greatest regret?

Most of my regrets fall under the umbrella of wishing I could have "do-overs" on conversations where I may have hurt someone's feelings.

### What tenet do you live by?

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## Southside Educator of the Month

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Do you know an educator that deserves to be recognized? Please email their name, grade or subject they teach, school name, and reason(s) for nomination to [nancyh@icontimes.com](mailto:nancyh@icontimes.com). Congratulations to this month's nominated educators of the month: **Melinda Williams**, Abraham Lincoln Elementary School



### Melinda Williams

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Mrs. Williams is the leader of a club called Service Club.

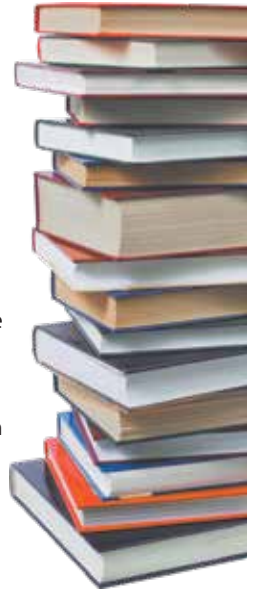
Service Club is a student club that does good things for not just people in the community, but for people around the world.

Most recently, students, with Mrs. Williams' guidance, collected 46 large bags of old shoes. Those shoes are then donated to an organization called

Waterstep. Waterstep then turns the old shoes into clean water systems for people in impoverished countries.

Mrs. Williams has been facilitating this drive for nine years. During that time, they've collected enough shoes to build at least 11 clean water systems. We believe that Mrs. Williams is deserving because she goes above and beyond her role as a teacher and works with kids to enrich them in ways that have nothing to do with the classroom.

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Graduation is special, not only for the Hope Academy graduates and their families, but also the supporters of our recovery high school who make this milestone possible. Hope Academy invites you to join us in this celebration. Please email Jon Shapiro, at [jshapiro@hopeacademyrhs.org](mailto:jshapiro@hopeacademyrhs.org), Hope Academy director of fundraising and donor relations, to RSVP.





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## Athlete of the Month Will Manship



By Ken Severson

Baseball is supposed to be a marathon, not a sprint, but individually speaking, players can start out of the blocks quickly, which can spark a team to jump out early and make it difficult for rivals to catch them. Will Manship's start to the 2024 season is proof of that.

A young Roncalli team, led by first-year coach Tony Vittorio, has jumped out to a 4-2 record and has been in part led by Manship, a junior, who is enjoying his first season on the varsity team.

Manship, the Royals' left fielder, has so far in the young season batted .538 with seven hits, four runs, a home run, five RBIs and three stolen bases. As a team, Manship has helped the Royals average six runs a game as they attempt to win 20 games for the second consecutive season.

Quite a start. One that Manship attributes to hard work and new coach Vittorio.

"He's been great. Coach V has changed our thinking in baseball," Manship said. "One has been my approach, and it has done wonders by just simplifying things. I don't go into the (batters) box thinking so much." Manship said that he and the Royals try to learn as much information from Coach V as possible and then do their best. And it's shown.

Manship, a team player, has been happy with the start and doesn't plan on letting up. In everything. Batting, running, fielding, and leading. "I feel my best part of baseball has been my defense," Manship said. "I pride myself

on fielding, and I also use my speed, and think that's one of my biggest tools in baseball. It helps how I'm able to perform on fielding and batting.

With Manship in left, a high-traffic position, Manship's fielding percentage is 1.000 percent.

Vittorio has been pleased.

"Will has been outstanding the first few weeks offensively, defensively, and running the bases," Vittorio said. "He is very coachable and has adjusted well to our processes." Being coachable is always a good thing, and Manship could apply that to others in the future when his career concludes. Manship has expressed a desire to play baseball in college. Beyond that would be a dream come true. "I would love to play college baseball and I was thinking about what a dream it would be to play in Major League Baseball," Manship said. "I would just love to play in college and then go back and coach. I love coaching younger kids, and I like to help grow the younger kids in baseball.

First things first. Play this year and his final season at Roncalli next year. Manship loves Roncalli and all it has to offer including the environment, class size, and his relationship with the faculty.

He also loves the future of the Royals baseball team. Manship believes the Royals can definitely win a sectional and make a deep run in the playoffs. "We are insanely talented, and we have a team that can win," Manship said. "I'm excited for the rest of the year. I think it's going to be great."



(Submitted photos)

### THE MANSHIP FILE

**NAME:** Will Manship

**HEIGHT:** 6-foot

**SCHOOL:** Roncalli

**HOBBIES:** I love playing golf and helping out with my youth group at my parish.

**COLLEGE PLANS:** I am undecided on where I would like to go, but I would like to play baseball in college.

**FAVORITE SUBJECT(S):** Math and U.S. history

**FAVORITE ATHLETE(S):** Mookie Betts, Mike Trout, Kobe Bryant

**FAVORITE VACATION SPOT:** Hilton Head, S.C.

**PARENTS' NAMES:** Melisa and Joel Manship



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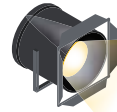
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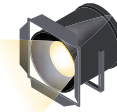
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# Local Business Spotlight

## OnStage LIVE! Cabaret



By Julie Brackemyre

### How many years has OnStage LIVE! Cabaret been in business, and what inspired you to start/purchase/work with this business?

Our 501(c) (3) nonprofit performing arts organization was founded on Nov. 18, 2022. As the former private owner of the Catered Cabaret, which ended up permanently closed down due to the COVID pandemic, I never thought I'd venture into show biz again. But at the urging of many past patrons, colleagues, family, and friends, and with the backing and support, a board of directors was formed, and I took the help as executive director. Our original intention was to produce and perform shows in existing performing arts theatres in central Indiana. As fate would have it, the owner of Vista Run Plaza reached out and we negotiated a deal to reopen in the former theatre. Having just completed a \$150,000-plus renovation, the theatre is truly one of the most beautiful performing arts venues in all of Indiana! We are very proud.

### Describe your typical workday.

All of us have full-time jobs, so taking this on has been a LOT! It's a labor of love, and honestly, we all love what we do. Whether it's being an artist on stage, a tech person running sound and lights, a receptionist checking patrons in at the

door, tending bar ... we work long hours preparing our shows for all to enjoy.

### What inspires your work, and what sets you apart from everyone else?

Our shared passion is to ensure professional, live theatre experiences are easily accessible and available for our greater Greenwood/Southside community. What really sets us apart is the quality of our productions – utilizing local talent, having beautiful costumes, stage settings and lighting, and the welcoming environment each and every one of us exudes to and for our guests. Our guest experience is our No.1 priority!

### If you could go back to the beginning knowing what you know now, what would you have done differently?

As the former owner of the theatre, when initially opening, I would have established the theatre as a 501 (c) (3) from the beginning. Every theatre in Indiana, with the exception of two dinner theatres, operates under a 501(c) (3) status. Doing so allows us to apply for operating grants, endowments, sponsorships, and more. It's the only way to successfully operate in the Midwest.

### What's your best advice for someone who wants to start their own business?

RESEARCH!!! It is so critically important to remain "objective" when

making decisions. It doesn't matter what "we think, feel, or like" – it's about what consumers want. Never, ever forget that. ... The guest experience is first and foremost over everything!

### Check out the owner:

On-Stage LIVE! Entertainment, an Indiana 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization governed by a board of directors and operated by Chris Tompkins, executive director

### How long have you worked with OnStage LIVE! Cabaret? Tell me a little about your background and how you developed your skill set.

I've been in the cruise, hospitality, private club, and entertainment business for over 40+ years. Experience ... that's the greatest education of all. Always be open to learn new things, accept and embrace your mistakes, brush your knees off, get back up, and move forward. Don't look back ... but learn and move forward.

### What has been your biggest success to date, and what has been your biggest challenge?

Raising the necessary \$110,000 minimum we needed to get started and doing it in less than only six weeks! Now the challenge is to grow awareness that there's a terrific performing arts theatre ready to welcome folks from greater

Greenwood, Indy's Southside, and all of central Indiana.

### What inspires you to hit the ground running each morning?

Passion for what WE do. Bringing smiles to those who come to see shows. Bringing joy by providing a stage to some incredible local talent ... and there's SO MUCH talent in central Indiana. Making others happy makes me and all of us so, so happy!

### Tell me some of your hobbies, outside of working for OnStage LIVE! Cabaret.

Honestly, this nonprofit organization is my hobby and "the" hobby for most everyone involved. When we're not working our full-time jobs, we're working at the theatre. When we aren't doing one of those two things, we're either collaborating, researching new show ideas, or sleeping!

### What's an interesting fact about your business that most people don't know?

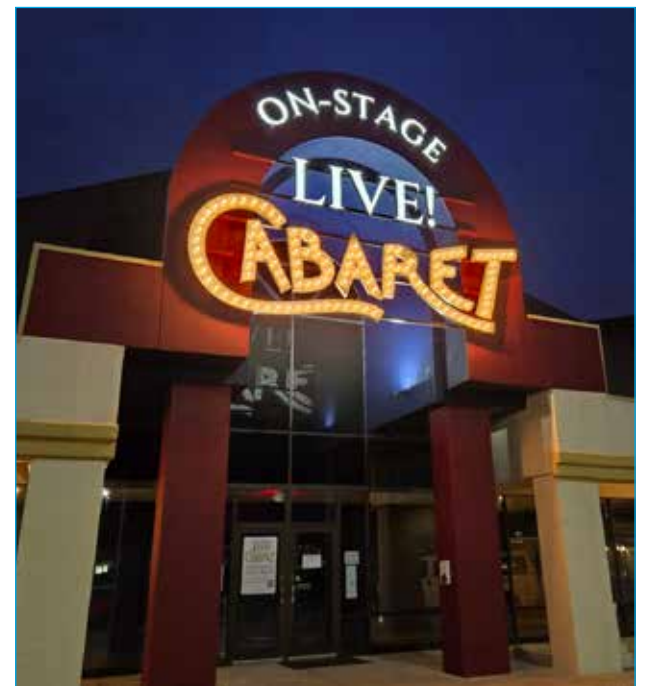
There's a LEGIT THEATRE right here in Greenwood!

### What's an interesting fact about you that most people don't know?

Our talent is local, most of our shows are original works we create from scratch without a script, and we do this for love of people and the performing arts.



(Submitted photos)



## Dr. Tanuja Singh formally becomes UIndy's 10th president

Dr. Tanuja Singh has formally become the 10th president of the University of Indianapolis.

While Singh has been leading UIndy since she assumed the role on July 1, 2023, a series of inauguration events were designed to serve as both a traditional investiture as well as a community-wide celebration. The formal investiture ceremony to install Singh as president took place at the Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center on the UIndy campus on April 5. The afternoon's formal "rite of investiture" ceremony (the placing of the medallion) was done by David Resnick, the UIndy Board of Trustees chair, as well as Deborah Daniels, UIndy Board of Trustees vice chair. Mayor Joe Hogsett was among those who provided greetings during the ceremony.

A fun and informal celebration followed the investiture ceremony at Schwitzer Park, just north of Schwitzer Student Center. A Corporate and Community Leaders Breakfast to discuss the future of workforce development and the role of the University of Indianapolis took place on April 4 at UIndy Hall at Schwitzer Student Center. Featured panelists included Vanessa Green Sinders, president of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce; Melina Kennedy, CEO of Central Indiana Corporate Partnership; and Chris Lowery, Indiana's Commissioner for Higher Education.

"In just nine months, Dr. Tanuja Singh has had a tremendous positive impact on the University of Indianapolis," said Resnick. "From her intentional community engagement with our neighbors as well as business leaders, to the creation of a strategic plan which capitalizes on UIndy's strengths while building a prudent vision for the future in a rapidly changing higher education environment, we are so glad to have Dr. Singh lead the University of Indianapolis."

The University of Indianapolis was founded in 1902. More information about Dr. Tanuja Singh can be found in the initial announcement of her selection as university president at [news.uindy.edu/2023/03/21/university-of-indianapolis-announces-dr-tanuja-singh-as-universitys-tenth-president](https://news.uindy.edu/2023/03/21/university-of-indianapolis-announces-dr-tanuja-singh-as-universitys-tenth-president)



University of Indianapolis President Dr. Tanuja Singh, center, during the "rite of investiture" ceremony with Deborah Daniels, UIndy Board of Trustees vice chair, and David Resnick, UIndy Board of Trustees chair. (Photo courtesy of the University of Indianapolis)

## Erin Pardue promoted to operations and marketing manager for Express Employment Professionals Indy South



(Submitted photo)

Express Employment Professionals Indy South, the leading employment resource center for south-central Indiana, is excited to announce the promotion of Erin Pardue to operations and marketing manager. Pardue joined Express Indy South 12 years ago as a marketing coordinator. She was elevated to recruiting and marketing manager six years ago and now looks to lead in an even greater capacity.

In her new position as operations and marketing manager, she will oversee the operational leadership of the Indy South light industrial team and the entire company's front office and marketing functions. She will leverage her experience and strategic vision to drive efficiency and growth within the organization. Her ability to blend data-driven insights with intuitive decision-making has proven instrumental in developing winning processes that allow us to recruit and place as many people into great jobs as possible.

"Erin Pardue's promotion to operations

and marketing manager is a testament to her exceptional leadership and unwavering commitment to excellence. Her dedication to both our business and her team members makes her a great leader to grow our light industrial division," said Mike Heffner, owner/president of Express Employment Professionals Indy South. "Her passion for seeing her team thrive, creating a great culture, and her relentless pursuit of understanding the 'why' behind every challenge make her an invaluable asset to our organization."

Phill Powell, managing partner/vice president of operations, added, "Erin's ability to uncover the root cause of issues and implement effective solutions has been instrumental in our success. Her promotion reflects not only her individual achievements but also her dedication to our vision here at Express Indy South. We strive to help as many people as possible find good jobs by helping as many clients as possible find good people, and Erin's commitment to our community makes her the perfect person for the job."

Her promotion is a testament to her dedication, leadership, and invaluable contributions to Express Employment Professionals Indy South. As she assumes her new role, the entire team looks forward to her continued impact and guidance.

## Grand Opening

### Indy Salt Therapy Plus

Indy Salt Therapy Plus in Greenwood celebrated their grand opening on April 15. Indy Salt Therapy Plus is a family-owned business that offers a variety of therapeutic services that are designed to help people relax and heal. Some of the services that they offer include salt therapy, infrared sauna with salt, a hydro water massage bed, and red-light therapy.

Salt therapy is a natural and drug-free way to alleviate respiratory issues such as asthma, allergies, sinusitis, and bronchitis. The infrared sauna with salt is a great way to detoxify the body and improve circulation. The hydro water massage bed is a relaxing way to release muscle tension and stress. Red-light therapy is used to help with skin rejuvenation, reduce inflammation, and relieve pain. All of these services are designed to help people improve their overall health and well-being.

Indy Salt Therapy Plus is at 455 S. Greenwood Park Drive, Suite I, Greenwood, IN 46142. Phone: 317-954-5703.



(Photo by Donna Rice Photography)

# What you may not know about buying or selling real estate

## REAL ESTATE

**By Dawn Whalen**  
**Whalen Realty Group at F.C. Tucker Company**

Is it necessary to use a realtor to buy or sell a house? Although it is not required for someone to use an experienced realtor during the home buying or selling process, taking advantage of the knowledge and expertise a realtor brings to the table is beneficial for both buyers and sellers.

### Advantages of using a buyer's agent

There's been a lot of news recently about the value of a buyer's agent, which is a realtor who helps buyers find their next or first home. Purchasing a home is usually the largest financial transaction someone makes, so keeping the process hassle-free and on the designated timeline is important. Realtors possess insider knowledge of market trends and upcoming listings, often gaining information from fellow realtors and brokers about properties poised to enter the market before they are broadly advertised. Their access to properties

extends well beyond what's found on the Broker Listing Cooperative.

A key skill set of a realtor's expertise lies in their ability to negotiate. Experienced agents explore contingencies and encourage beneficial repairs or allowances in an effort to give the buyer as much for their down payment as possible. Many buyers would welcome a lower monthly payment in exchange for a carpet allowance, and sellers would be more willing to offer a carpet allowance instead of replacing it all.

Realtors are also local experts. Their insight into a neighborhood or area is invaluable, especially for buyers new to the area or seeking specific community amenities. An experienced realtor is up to date on the latest construction and development news, so if major changes are coming to a community, they will share this knowledge if it could impact a specific property or neighborhood.

Having a licensed realtor removes stress from the buyer. Purchasing real estate has multiple deadlines that must be met, and a

realtor keeps everyone in the loop and on task to ensure documents are completed and submitted on time.

### How realtors help sellers

A seller's agent, or a listing agent, serves as a professional advocate for persons wanting to sell a property. This role is not about simple representation, but about leveraging the realtor's localized market expertise to ensure the price is on point and the most desirable features are highlighted. With fingers firmly on the local market's pulse, a listing agent can weed out buyers whose credentials may fall short, while at the same time marketing the property to a tailored group of prospective purchasers.

Using a variety of strategies, licensed realtors use tools such as a comparative market analysis to evaluate homes recently sold or pending. This real-time data offers sellers an accurate snapshot of a realistic listing price. While the temptation to aim high is understandable, a price tag that overshoots can lead to the property sitting on the market longer. Herein lies the value of a realtor's insight – guiding sellers toward the sweet spot that beckons the right audience.

Real estate negotiations sometimes become complex, with potential to tread into heated emotional territory. Working with a seasoned realtor gives sellers a buffer and transforms what could be a high-tension process into a streamlined and professional transaction. The professional composure a realtor offers can be invaluable during tough negotiations over home repairs, allowances, appliances, and more.

While using a realtor is not a requirement, having someone with experience and first-hand knowledge of the process, and who is willing to stay organized and serve as the lead negotiator can be invaluable. Like other professionals, realtors undergo hundreds of hours of training to become experts in their field, which allows buyers and sellers to focus on what matters during a transition – family and packing.



Dawn Whalen is the owner of Whalen Realty Group, at the F.C. Tucker Company, and has worked in residential real estate for more than 17 years. She's a licensed realtor, broker, is a member of MIBOR, and is the founder of Whalen's Heroes, which provides funding to purchase service animals for veterans. She can be reached at Dawn@whalenrealtygroup.com.



### Puzzle Time Answers

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#### Answers to HOOSIER HODGEPODGE:

**Herbs:** BASIL, DILL, MINT, OREGANO, PARSLEY, SAGE;

**Terms:** DIG, NET, SERVE, SET, SPIKE;

**Cities:** BEDFORD, COLUMBUS, JASPER, SEYMOUR;

**Poetry:** FREE VERSE, HAIKU, ODE;

**Colors:** CARDINAL, WHITE;

**Attorney General:** TODD ROKITA

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## Perry Kiwanis Golf Outing June 13

*The outing promises to be the best yet, with exciting prizes, delicious food, and the opportunity to positively impact the community.*

**Don't miss it!**

The Perry Kiwanis golf outing and fundraiser – a southside tradition – brings enthusiasts and community supporters together for a day of fun, camaraderie and philanthropy.

The ninth annual event, set for **June 13**, helps Kiwanis support Hunger Inc., Riley Hospital, Baxter YMCA and Perry Township Schools.

- **Smock Golf Course**
- **10:30 a.m. – check-in begins**
- **Noon – shotgun starting time**
- **Register (player or sponsor) – click the link or scan the QR code [Kiwanisgolfouting.org](http://Kiwanisgolfouting.org)**



# NIGHT & day LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT ENTERTAINING

## EVENTScalendar

### BEECH GROVE

#### *Strikes for Heroes*

Get ready to rock 'n' roll at our legendary yearly charity shindig at Royal Pin Expo! Imagine this: non-stop bowling, delish pizza and salad, drinks galore, and heart-pounding raffles and auctions. It's a party for all! Secure your spot or level up with a sponsorship. We will be presenting service dogs to two veterans at the event! Let the good times roll! | When: April 27, 1-4 p.m. | Where: 5261 Elmwood Ave., Indianapolis. | Info: 317-747-1664; dawn@whalensheroes.org

#### *Overachievers 5k*

Hit the trails with us for our second annual Overachievers 5k. Entry is only \$10 per person. | When: May 4, 8 a.m. | Where: On the trailhead in Sarah T. Bolton Park, 1300 Churchman Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: hornetparkcommunitycenter.com; 317-788-4986

#### *Going Green in the Grove*

Spring is almost here, and so is our ninth annual Going Green in the Grove Arbor Day Celebration! We will be handing out over 600 sapling trees, bushes, and plants free to our guests. Activities for all ages, educational booths, collaborative art, and much more. | When: May 4, noon - 4 p.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: hornetparkcommunitycenter.com; 317-788-4986

#### *Beech Grove State of the Schools Address*

Join us for an exciting member meeting where Dr. Laura Hammack, president of Beech Grove City Schools, will present the State of our Schools. This event will provide valuable insights into the progress and future plans of our education. | When: May 9, 11:30 a.m. | Where: Hornet Park Community Center, 5245 Hornet Ave., Beech Grove. | Info: Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce; phone: 317-300-6890; beechgrovechamber.org

#### *Youth Fun Day Saturday*

Arts and crafts! Silly Safari! Special guests! Free lunch. \$50 contest winner. A healthy brain sprouts ideas, grows, and inspires. Beech Grove Mayor's Office gives National

Prevention Week Proclamation to our youth. Representative Mitch Gore speaks on the risk of harm of using drugs. Registration is not required to attend but is appreciated. | When: May 18, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. | Where: Beech Grove Library, 1102 Main St., Beech Grove. | Info: beechgrovecdfc.org; bgdrugfree@gmail.com

### FRANKLIN

#### *Garden Celebration XIX*

The Johnson County Garden Club is hosting its annual garden celebration featuring 75 vendors and three speakers who will educate regarding native plants and wildlife rehabilitation. General admission is \$2 a person, cash only. For breakfast and lunch, visit the Garden Café featuring Jodie Beasley Catering and the MoBow! food truck. Enjoy Windy Knoll Bakery's Amish baked goods for dessert or take-home. Visit social media for updates regarding vendors and speakers. | When: May 4, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Where: Johnson County Fairgrounds, Scott and Herring Halls, 250 Fairground St., Franklin. | Info: Questions can be directed to Gary Kiesel by emailing jcgardenclub@gmail.com.

### GARFIELD PARK

#### *Chess Mates*

Chess Mates is designed for both beginners and experienced players. This eight-week program offers a dynamic chess experience where learning and socializing merge seamlessly. We focus on the basics and make learning fun with activities you can do with friends. Our club-style format has shorter workshops, which are perfect for families and anyone curious about chess. This program is open to everyone, regardless of age or experience, and no registration is required. There is a \$1 drop-in fee. Come join us for an engaging chess adventure! | When: Mondays through June 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Where: Garfield Park Family Burrello Family Center, 2345 Pagoda Drive, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-327-7275 (option 2) or email IndyParksCS@indy.gov

### GREENWOOD

#### *Speed Dating*

KIC-IT presents a fun evening of Speed Dating. Admission for this 21-and-older event is \$25. | When: April 25, 6:30-8:30

p.m. | Where: Barn at Bay Horse Inn, 1468 W. Stones Crossing Road, Greenwood. | Info: facebook.com/barnatbayhorse

#### *Mother's Night Out Designer Bag Bingo*

Tickets currently on sale for Greenwood Tri Kappa, Delta Lambda Chapter Designer Bag Bingo. \$35 per person, includes 20 games all with designer purse prizes, bingo dauber, and a door prize ticket. Additional bingo cards, raffle basket tickets, 50/50 tickets available for purchase. Food and drinks available for purchase from the Women of the Moose. Must be 18 to enter. Cash only. Bring any non-perishable food item for an extra door prize ticket. All proceeds stay local to support charities and scholarships. | When: May 8, doors open at 5:30 p.m. Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. | Where: Greenwood Moose Lodge, 813 W. Smith Valley Road, Greenwood. | Info: Go online to purchase tickets at rb.gy/u40u8l; email trikappa.greenwood.bingo@gmail.com or call 317-340-4294

#### *'Memories of Mother' Dinner at Dye's Walk Country Club*

Join the Indy South Women's Connection group for a fun evening of dinner and a motivational speaker. Also featuring a photo booth, prizes, tea tastings, and more! | When: May 14, 6:15-7:45 p.m. | Where: Dye's Walk Country Club, 2080 S. State Road 135, Greenwood. | Info: Contact Jeannie at 317-899-4760 or email indysouthwomensconnection@yahoo.com

### INDIANAPOLIS

#### *Poetry Open Mic*

Experience spoken word and poetry in a judgment-free space. On nice days, the event is hosted outside on the deck. Bring some poems you've been working on to read or just sit back and enjoy the show. The event is free. | When: Every Thursday, 7-9 p.m. | Where: Irving Theater, 5505 E. Washington St., Indianapolis. | Info: attheirving.com

#### *'Indy Raised'*

A.J. Foyt vs. Parnelli Jones, Mel Lewis and Roger Brown and a red-white-and-blue basketball, water balloons, flashlight tag, book reports, and fresh cider from the Lilly Orchard, Bobby Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Vietnam War...Come visit **Bill Harley's** mythical landscape of coming of age on the

northside of Indianapolis in the 1960s when **Storytelling Arts of Indiana** presents its season-ending show. \$20 for general admission, online or in person, \$35 for a household to watch the livestream. | When: April 27, 7 p.m. | Where: Online via Zoom and in person at Eugene & Marilyn Glick Indiana History, 450 W. Ohio St., Indianapolis. | Info: Storytellingarts.org

### PERRY TOWNSHIP

#### *Perry Township Kiwanis Meeting*

The Perry Township Kiwanis meets for its weekly breakfast. The speaker is Anna Getty, outreach coordinator, Firefly Children & Family Alliance. Visitors are welcome. | When: April 25, 7 a.m. | Where: IHOP, 7521 U.S. 31 S., Indianapolis. | Info: kiwanisperrytownship.org; kiwanisperry@kiwanisperrytownship.org; facebook.com/KiwanisOfPerryTownship

### SOUTHPORT

#### *English Conversation Circle*

Join our English Conversation Circles to practice and improve your English conversation skills in a comfortable and welcoming place. | When: Mondays, 6-7 p.m. | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-275-4510

#### *Chair Aerobics Class*

Join us for a 13-week, low-impact, theme-based seated exercise and brain fitness class led by an instructor from Through the Ages Fitness. Please bring a water bottle to class. | When: Thursday mornings from 11:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m. | Where: Southport Library, 2630 E. Stop 11 Road, Indianapolis. | Info: 317-275-4510



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# Civil War

*Alex Garland wants his cake and to eat it too*

## MOVIE REVIEW

By Bradley Lane

British writer-turned-director Alex Garland has made a name for himself in high-concept sci-fi and horror. He first broke out with his script for the dystopian zombie apocalypse story, *28 Days Later*, and has since then directed a streak of interesting and well-made sci-fi films like *Ex-Machina* and *Annihilation*. His films are typically dense with thought-provoking themes and inventive storytelling techniques. However his latest feature, the big-budget debut from arthouse studio A24, *Civil War* has glaring issues that make his vain attempts at shock almost silly in retrospect.

Set in an alternate future America, the U.S. is under the rule of an authoritarian autocratic president sitting for his third term. In response, California and Texas have seceded to create the Western Forces. Along with a collection of other states in less clear alliances, the U.S. is fractured beyond repair

and embroiled in a brutal civil war. Enter legendary war photographer Lee Smith and her writing partner Joel. Together they hatch a plan to infiltrate D.C. before it falls to get an interview with the president before he is inevitably captured by WF forces. Eventually taking an aging *New York Times* journalist, Sammy, and a young upstart photographer, Jessie with them at Joel's behest, the group goes on a harrowing road trip, navigating war zones and psychotic rogue operators to get to D.C. in time.

The first thing people will talk about when leaving *Civil War* is the apparent lack of politics in Garland's film. Ideologies are only briefly mentioned but are put on the backburner to focus on the characters tasked with recording the events as journalists. However, this lack of overt political statement, though carefully calculated to not offend either side of the political spectrum, is the fatal flaw of the

film, inherently misunderstanding both journalism and war.

War is, especially for oppressed people, always ideological.

By disregarding that fact, and by making the journalists completely uninterested in interrogating the material conditions that lead to full civil war he also misidentifies what journalists are supposed to do. While an unbiased media landscape is certainly a nice goal, journalists have lived

experiences that shape their perspectives, not to mention institutional pressure to present a certain viewpoint. By pretending they don't have a perspective on the conflict the journalists of Garland's film just unquestioningly reinforce their own internalized biases.

By setting his film in America Garland would like to shock audiences who see war as a thing that happens overseas, in the Middle East, and not something that could

feasibly happen here. However, because Garland so flippantly disregards the current American political climate, he immediately breaks the realism he so desperately craves to foster through shocking images of extreme violence and chaos.

The film borrows the episodic structure of *Apocalypse Now*, but without the narrative tension of that film, *Civil War* quickly becomes a dour trudge through a silly idea played entirely seriously. Completely ineffective in its commentary, *Civil War* is a hollow misguided attempt at anti-war filmmaking that fails to at least be entertaining from moment to moment. Not every film needs to be political, but war is. *Civil War* is exclusively showing in theaters. -1/5 stars



Bradley is a Beech Grove High School alumnus and has been enamored by film for as long as he can remember. He recently graduated from IUPUI, with a degree in Media and Public Affairs with a minor in Film. Bradley can be contacted at blane2214@gmail.com.

## AN OPTION

### LINDO MEXICO

For those of you who love to celebrate Cinco de Mayo (coming up on May 5), you're probably looking for the ideal place to enjoy a margarita (or two or three), tasty and seasoned, yet inexpensive food, and fast and friendly service; go to Lindo Mexico, voted Indy's Best Mexican Restaurant by Fox 59 last year. Located in Emerson Pointe,

"Lindo has an expansive menu, and it is definitely a step up from your run-of-the-mill Mexican joint," stated a Yelp reviewer. "Authentic birria, lots of seafood options, etc. The food quality is great, and the salsa is fantastic." Added another, "Absolutely killer fresh margaritas. You have to try the margarita flight! I loved the guava, so fresh with a hint of mint. It was delicious and tried the smoky tamarind and the passion fruit pineapple, too." Guests love the chicken enchiladas with verde sauce, steak fajitas taco salad, shrimp or beef tip chimichangas, arroz con pollo, and strawberry mandarin margaritas. "The service is remarkable as well," added a Google reviewer. "I sat an empty chip tray and salsa bowl at the end of my table, and within a matter of 60 seconds without saying a word, I had a new tray of chips and a full bowl of salsa."

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Margaritas aplenty at Lindo Mexico. (Photo courtesy of Lindo Mexico)

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**WHERE:** Clowes Memorial Hall, 4602 Sunset Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46208

**TICKETS:** On sale now at [indyballet.org/romeo-juliet](http://indyballet.org/romeo-juliet), starting at just \$19. Phone: 317-940-9697

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# Petunias that glow in the dark! Visiting the Islands of Hawaii

## GARDENING

By John Chapin



The biology lab Light Bio has worked for decades to develop luminous plants that continuously glow in the dark. The first bioluminescent plants were demonstrated in labs more than 35 years ago, but a few kinks needed to be worked out. With advances in gene-editing, scientists have been able to splice genes from naturally bioluminescent mushrooms into petunias so that their leaves and flowers emit a soft, green glow in the dark. The effect is mesmerizingly impressive, accentuating the natural patterns in the plant.

The healthier the plant, the brighter the glow, which is somewhere around the level of moonlight. These petunias do not require any special food or treatment, but you can make them brighter by placing a ripe banana skin under the plants which emits an ethylene growth hormone to increase the plants' metabolism. Unlike fluorescence, a trait that has been bred into some tropical fish, and which requires special light bulbs to be seen, bioluminescence is self-generated by the plant.

The USDA approved the sale of 'Firefly' petunias last September, and the company is now taking pre-orders at Light Bio for spring delivery. The company chose petunias because they're popular as ornamental plants, are annuals, and are not considered invasive species, so the chances of the modified genes spreading into native plants and disrupting ecosystems should be minimal. If you're a science nut, or just want to grow an unusual plant that will certainly be a conversation piece in your garden, you might want to check this out.

Happy gardening!



John Chapin is a retired school teacher and sole proprietor of Chapin Landscaping. He has over 30 years' experience in the landscaping business. Contact him at [jchapinlandscaping@gmail.com](mailto:jchapinlandscaping@gmail.com)

## TRAVEL

By Amy Maharas

Have you always wanted to visit the Aloha State, but you're not sure where to start? Hawaii is one of my family's favorite vacation destinations, so we have visited five of the islands. Here is what we love about each:

**Oahu:** When you think of Hawaii, you likely picture surfers on Waikiki or the USS Arizona Memorial, both of which are located on the Island of Oahu. Oahu is a great starting point for your first trip to the islands. Visit the Polynesian Cultural Center, hike up Diamond Head, see turtles on the North Shore, and snorkel in Hanauma Bay. For a more relaxing stay, consider the lagoons on the west side of the island where Aulani-Disney Resort & Spa (my favorite resort anywhere) is located.

**Hawaii, or the Big Island:** If you want to visit coffee farms and see volcanoes, the Big Island is the island for you. Volcanoes National Park is worth a visit, and Kona coffee has a reputation for a reason! Be sure to visit the black sand and green sand beaches.

**Maui:** If a beautiful beach is your goal, the beaches of Ka'anapali on the north side of the island are pristine with a plethora of upscale hotels for lodging. Maui also offers amazing sunrise views at Haleakala National Park and great shopping.



**Kauai:** Probably my family's favorite, Kauai is quintessentially Hawaiian with lush green areas as well as gorgeous views from Waimea Canyon. Explore the Na Pali Coast by boat and enjoy the beaches of Poipu on the south shore or Hanalei Beach on the north shore.

**Molokai:** If you are a seasoned Hawaii visitor, it's time for a trip to Molokai. With only one hotel and a smattering of condos, this is not touristy Hawaii, but it will certainly open your eyes to life in Hawaii.



Amy Maharas is a travel planner with Hi Ho Vacations. Contact her at [Amy@HiHoVacations.com](mailto:Amy@HiHoVacations.com)

## HUMOR

By Dick Wolfsie

My wife and I often engage in meaningful conversations. She will ask me things like:

"Are we better off with stocks or bonds?"

Should we have waited longer to take Social Security?

Should we stick with cable or try a streaming service?

She's asking these questions to make me feel smart. She already knows the answers. But here are the most common questions I ask Mary Ellen:

"Do you know where my coat is?"

"Did you hang up my coat last night when we got home?"

"Was I wearing a coat last night?"

Nippy temps will soon be over. This past cold season, I faced the winter chill without

any substantial outerwear whenever possible. It's not that I'm particularly hardy; I'm simply looking at things realistically. I'm tired of losing my coat. I lost three during Covid and we never left the house.

I'm going to explain my problem, but you have to read this carefully, or you'll be lost — like my coat usually is. I never liked wearing winter coats, especially in the car. I don't want to be all bundled up and feel like the Pillsbury Doughboy at the wheel. I get too warm when the car heats up, but I can't undo my buttons or unzip because of the seat belts. Then when I exit the car, I'm soon in a warm place like a movie theater or Lucas Oil Stadium and have to immediately take off my heavy jacket and stuff it under my seat, which is a great way to add mustard stains and sticky pieces of popcorn to my apparel.

Since I seldom wear a coat, I am accustomed to leaving places without one.

And so, when I occasionally do take along a jacket, I often leave it behind because I'm not used to wearing it in the first place. Are you following me? If you are following me, please tap me on the shoulder and remind me that I just left my coat at Beef and Boards.

It's crazy for my wife to get bundled up in the winter because she asks me to warm up the car before we leave the house. Then she asks me to drop her off in front of the restaurant. Then I pick her up at the door when we leave. We drive home in a heated car and get out in our heated garage. Why does she even need a coat?

For many years, this was a typical phone conversation I'd have on any given morning after we went out and I made the mistake of bringing a coat.

"Hello, this is Dick Wolfsie. I was at your theater last night and left my brown winter coat there. Could you check your

lost-and-found?"

"We have a pair of glasses, an iPhone, and a credit card."

"Yes, all that is mine. Not only did I forget that stuff, I forgot that I forgot it. But about the coat?"

"Here's a brown one. Didn't the bitter cold remind you of your coat?"

"I can't explain this. Read my column. I'll get the coat tomorrow. It looks like rain."

"Don't you have an umbrella?"

"I left it at Starbucks."



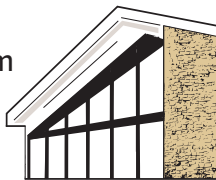
Dick Wolfsie's weekly humor column is published in more than 30 newspapers. Dick has written 14 books, including *Mornings with Barney and Indiana Curiosities*. His newest book, *The Right Fluff*, is a compilation of his most popular humor columns. He lives in Fishers with his wife Mary Ellen and a cat who doesn't like him.

## Needing another coat!



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**Sarah Alice Boomershine**

Sarah Alice Boomershine, 101, of Indianapolis, died April 8, 2024. Survivors: sister, Helen Joyce Lee; daughter, Janice G. (Robert) Nordsiek; son, R. Daniel (Kimberly); and daughter, D. Susanne (Richard) Anderson; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren. Predeceased: husband, Robert; brother, Roby; son-in-law, Robert. G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

**Bradley Joseph Brandum**

Bradley Joseph Brandum, 76, Greenwood, died April 10, 2024. Survivors: sons, Patrick and Daniel Brandum. Brad was preceded in death by his wife, Michelle Brandum; and parents, William and Elizabeth. Memorial visitation: Sunday, April 21, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., service at 2 p.m. Little & Sons, Beech Grove.

**Doris Joan Cox**

Doris Joan Cox, 93, Greenwood, died April 4, 2024. Survivors: sisters, Rotha Hudson (Kenneth), Jane Brown (David), and Sharon Cole; several nieces and nephews. Predeceased: siblings Thelma Chapin (Al), Ross Cox, Gloria Sargeant (Pete), and Freeda Smith (Warren); longtime partner, Paul Miller. G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home.

**Ronald Lloyd Dyson**

Ronald Lloyd Dyson, 78, Greenwood, died April 9, 2024. Survivors: wife, Paula Dyson; children, Michael (Christina) Dyson; Pamela Dyson Bonnewell, Valerie Dyson (James) Kelley, and Shelby Dyson; stepchildren: Ryan (Nicole) Cowart and Nicole (Jordan) Knue; brother, Keith Dyson; 12 grandchildren: five great-grandchildren. Little & Sons, Stop 11 Road Chapel.

**Charles "Chuck" H. Eck, Jr.**

Charles "Chuck" H. Eck, Jr., 80, Indianapolis, died April 8, 2024. Survivors: wife, Marsha (Hussion); children, Cherie Nowacki and Kevin (Kelly Weaver) Eck; five grandchildren; siblings, Theresa and Leo Eck; two sisters-in-law; fur baby, Sammie; eight grand fur babies. Predeceased: one sister-in-law. Arrangements: G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

**Sherri A. (Shannon) McVey Ewing**

Sherri A. (Shannon) McVey Ewing, 63, Greenwood, died April 15, 2024. Survivors: mother, Carolyn (Richard) Glowner; brother, Michael Shannon; sons, Timothy (Suzanne) McVey Jr., Anthony McVey; two grandchildren. Predeceased: brother, Roy Shannon IV; grandparents, Ted and Mary Presley. Arrangements entrusted to G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

**Albert Lewis Hunt**

Albert Lewis Hunt, 87, Indianapolis, died Saturday, March 23, 2024. Survivors: brothers, Walter Leslie Hunt and Oscar Hunt, sisters, Bernadine Walker Carter, Lesta "Sally" Butcher,

and Florence Draper; several nieces and nephews. Arrangements were handled by G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

**Patricia Jane (Brewer) Hussey**

Patricia Jane (Brewer) Hussey, 89, Indianapolis, died April 14, 2024. Survivors: husband, Raymond; two children, Paul and Stephen (Sheila) Hussey; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brother, Michael Brewer (Alene). Visitation: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. service, Saturday, April 20, Friedens United Church of Christ. G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

**Lynn Ellen McPhillips**

Lynn Ellen McPhillips, 73, Beech Grove, died Monday, April 8, 2024. Survivors: sister, Audrey Smith; several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Services entrusted to Little & Sons, Beech Grove.

**Terry Gene Moore**

Terry Gene Moore, 75, died April 6, 2024. Survivors: wife, Regina; children, Richie, Sherri, Jason, Justin, and Lorena; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Arrangements were provided by G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home.

**Alice Jane Roberts Palmer**

Alice Jane Palmer, 86, Mooresville, died April 7, 2024. Survivors: children, Sonny (Connie) Palmer, Brenda (Timothy) Hawkins, James (Lisa) Palmer, Scott (Shannon) Palmer; niece, Nancy Smith; 17 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild. Predeceased: husband, Gilbert; sister, Jackie (Dave) Smith; nephew, Garry Smith; children, Connie (Jeff) Hickey, Ralph Palmer. G.H. Herrmann.

**Karen Sue Powell**

Karen Sue Powell, 68, Beech Grove, died April 9, 2024. Survivors: husband, Jack Powell; children, Stacey Powell; Carl (Anita) Powell, and Jack (Alana) Powell; father, Larry Brewer; brother, Edward Williams; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild. Arrangements were handled by Little & Sons Beech Grove Chapel.

**Rosemary Richardson**

Rosemary Richardson, 99, Trafalgar, died April 16, 2024. Survivors: daughters, Marilyn (Paul) Janzaruk and Debra Harvey; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren. Predeceased: husband, Floyd; siblings, Linda Fuchs, Janet Newlin and Harold McMurray; son-in-law, Philip Harvey. Visitation: noon-1 p.m. service, Friday, April 19, G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home and Cremation Center.

**William "Dan" Scaggs**

William "Dan" Scaggs, 77, Indianapolis, died April 8, 2024. Survivors: wife, Zina Weber; sons, Bradley (Amanda) and David (Stephanie); grandchildren, Liam, Aiden, and Leah; and a sister, Jackie Ford.

Arrangements were handled by Little & Sons Beech Grove Chapel.

**Maureen Margaret Helen Shackelford**

Maureen Margaret Helen Shackelford, 76, Indianapolis, died April 7, 2024. Survivors: husband, Paul Shackelford; sons, Jason and Tim (Phoebe) Shackelford; brother, John (Karen) Lagarde; granddaughters, Clover, Juniper, and Willow Shackelford. Little & Sons Funeral Home, Stop Eleven Road Chapel.

**Robert H. Shoemaker**

Robert H. Shoemaker, 74, Greenwood, died April 5, 2024. Survivors: wife, Debbie; daughters, Julie (Doug) Burdine, Beth (John) Barrett; grandchildren, Hayden Burdine, Taylor Barrett, Colin Burdine, and Jake Barrett; sister, Maggie (Jerry) Happ; brother, Don (Barb) Shoemaker. Predeceased: sister, Diane (her husband, Jim Rowe, survives). G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home.

**Patsy L. Weaver**

Patsy L. Weaver, 87, Indianapolis, died April 11, 2024. Survivors: children, Teresa Halstied, Debbie Densy, Janet Shelton; four grandchildren; siblings, Ann Stone, John Alvey. Predeceased: husband, W. Raymond; sister, Mary Simpson. Visitation: Friday, April 19, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. service, G.H. Herrmann Greenwood Funeral Home and Cremation Center.

**August E. "Gus" Wiegman**

August E. "Gus" Wiegman, 72, of New Palestine, passed away on April 11, 2024. He was born on Nov. 13, 1951, in Beech Grove, Ind. to the late Lawrence and Lucy (Covert) Wiegman. Gus was a member of Greenhouse Growers Association. He was an avid bowler with the Growers League. Gus also enjoyed short road trips and day trips with Beth, and his biggest enjoyment in life was spending time with his grandchildren. Gus is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Elizabeth "Beth" Wiegman; daughter, Kristi (Tom) White; son, Gus E. (Kim) Wiegman II; grandchildren, Jacob White, Alyssa, and Ava Wiegman; sister, Lari Ann (Tim) Wyss; and many nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on Wednesday, April 17, from 11 a.m. until the time of service at 1 p.m. at Friedens United Church of Christ, 8300 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind. Arrangements have been entrusted to G. H. Herrmann Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 5141 Madison Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. Gus was laid to rest in Greenwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. Please share your memories of Gus, photographs of him, and online condolences with the family at gherrmann.com.



Basic death notices (up to 50 words) are printed free of charge. Personalized Obituaries exceeding 50 words will be charged at a rate of \$12 for the first 60 words and 10 cents for each additional word. Full-color photographs may be included for an additional \$10. Families/estates or funeral directors are encouraged to send obituaries and photos to [news@ss-times.com](mailto:news@ss-times.com). Information received by noon Tuesday will be published Thursday, space permitting.



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Weekly Devotion



*Then spoke Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.*

JOHN 8:12

With each new sunrise we see a parallel between the sun of this world, and the Son of God. As Jesus went down in death and then rose with new life, we too symbolically go down in death and rise in new life when we are baptized. And as the Son of God rose from death on Resurrection Sunday to offer us the light of life, the Sun of this world rises each new day bringing warmth, light, and the hope of new life. I recently had a revelation that faith in our lives is the light of life, and fear is the darkness of death. When the light comes, the darkness must flee. When faith comes, fear must flee. The question we need to ask ourselves is are we the person who runs from fear, or are we the person who follows the light? Growing up in Southern Indiana I went on many rabbit hunts. One thing

you learn quickly about rabbit hunting is that when rabbits jump up and run away, they always come back full circle. In many ways we are like the rabbit when we run from the fear of death. With no particular destination in mind we oftentimes find ourselves right back to where we started. But when we have a destination in mind, and we run toward the light by following Jesus, we grow and rise to new heights of understanding. Instead of ending up back where we started, we find ourselves closer to the kingdom of God, ultimately bearing the fruit of the spirit which is love, joy, peace, and kindness.

**God bless and go and have a great day.**

Pastor Dan Bailey is the chair of the Mayor's Faith Based Round Table for the City of Beech Grove, who believes in its mission statement to "Strengthen the Community with Christ's Love." He is a lifelong resident of Southside with his wife, four children and five grandchildren. He has also been a criminal investigator for the last 30-plus years for the Public Defender Agency.

IEWS

HUMOR



**Top 10 things not to do over the Public Address system**

By Torry Stiles

*(Dear readers: Some of you may know that I, your faithful lister, also serve as the Public Address announcer at the Indianapolis Speedrome and Circle City Raceway. As I prepare for the upcoming racing season, I always note a few things that I need to never do.)*

10. Page Mike Hunt.
9. Mistake two bald-headed audience members for Dolly Parton.
8. Ask anyone with a complaint to go to Helen Waite at the ticket office.
7. Announce half-off on leftover concession food without first making sure there are leftovers.
6. Mispronounce the name of any kid whose mom is in the row in front of the announcer's booth.
5. Attempt to sing the Whitney Houston version of "The Star-Spangled Banner."
4. Play the Carl Lewis version of "The Star-Spangled Banner."
3. Play the Rosie O'Donnell version of "The Star-Spangled Banner."
2. Play the Jimi Hendrix version of "The Star-Spangled Banner" except as a wake-up call.
1. Announce a "Happy Anniversary" at the request of an ex-wife.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

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Mr. and Mrs. Michael Haynes announce the engagement of their daughter, Cassie, to Michael Meyers, son of Chris Meyers of Martinsville and Angie Napier of Indianapolis. Cassie and Michael met while attending IUPUI at the Math Assistance Center. The couple will be married in Delphi, Ind. on May 18, 2024. The couple will continue residing in Greenwood and is planning to honeymoon this fall.



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**Government**

**Early Voting Hours**

Perry Township Government Center Early Voting. Saturday, April 27, 2024 - Sunday, May 5th, 2024. 11:00 am - 6:00 pm. No Voting on Monday, May 6th Election Day, Tuesday, May 7th: 6:00 am - 6:00 pm. Park and Enter on the East Side of the Building

**Early voting at the Perry Township Government Center**

Early voting will be available at the Perry Township Government Center on Saturday, April 27 through Sunday, May 5 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Please note there will be no voting on Monday, May 6. Voting hours on Election Day, Tuesday, May 7, will be from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Park and enter on the east side of the building. For more information go to [vote.indy.gov/location/perry-township-government-center/](http://vote.indy.gov/location/perry-township-government-center/) or call 317-788-4815.

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