



Recorder mural honors history, nods to the future

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The Indianapolis Recorder has been a leading voice for African Americans for 125 years. Now, a mural on the side of the building pays homage to its rich legacy.

The Recorder, International Marketplace Coalition and artist Amiah

Mims unveiled the mural Nov. 2. The Recorder and International Marketplace Coalition partnered to commission the mural in August.

The mural — vibrant with red, yellow and blue — features a young Black man with a pick in his hair reading the paper. Painted on the paper is a list of past leaders, including founder George P. Stewart. There

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The side of the Indianapolis Recorder's building now features a new mural by artist Amiah Mims. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

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Incarcerated, homeless excluded on Election Day

By KELLY PATRICK SLONE

The days of blatant and direct disenfranchisement — literacy tests, poll taxes, etc. — might be in the past, but there are still countless Americans who struggle to have their voices heard on Election Day.

Indiana's prison population, which was near 28,000 people as of July 1, 2015, according to the Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC), is one group unable to cast a ballot.

Indiana could be considered moderate compared to the rest of the country in terms of voting rights for felons. According to ProCon.org, Indiana is among 13 states (and Washington, D.C.) that restore a felon's voting rights after the offender has served their full prison term.

On the stricter side of the spectrum, some states don't restore voting rights until an offender completes their prison term, plus any parole and/or probation. In 11 states, felons are at risk of losing their vote indefinitely. To the opposite end, two states — Maine and Vermont — allow incarcerated voters to submit absentee ballots by mail.

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Election 2020 IT'S NOT OVER

By STAFF

Election night 2020 was filled with several twists and turns in national and local elections alike. While not all the votes are currently counted in several important races, here's what we know so far about statewide and national elections.

At press time, the 2020 presidential election between former Democrat Vice President Joe Biden and Republican President Donald Trump had not been called. A winner was expected to be named Wednesday.

In Indiana's gubernatorial race, Republican incumbent Gov. Eric Holcomb retained his seat, defeating Democratic challenger Dr. Woody Myers by roughly 27%. Libertarian candidate Donald Rainwater garnered 12% of the vote, making him one of the most successful third-party candidates to run for governor in modern Indiana history.

Rep. André Carson also retained his seat as a U.S. Representative for Indiana's 7th Congressional District. Carson said police reform and getting a handle on COVID-19 will be his biggest concerns in his upcoming term.

Charter-friendly candidates appeared to do well in Indianapolis Public Schools board elections,

with IPS parent Will Pritchard, along with incumbents Venita Moore and Diane Arnold, ahead of their challengers. Kenneth Allen held a slight lead over incumbent Elizabeth Gore, who has been more critical of the district's partnerships with charters, at the time of publication.

Russell Hollis, deputy director of the Marion County Clerk's Office, said Marion County voter turnout was roughly 58% this election cycle, surpassing turnout in 2016 by 2%.

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A check (✓) denotes the winner, though not all races have been called. An asterisk (*) denotes the incumbent.

President

Donald Trump (R)* — 48% (214 Electoral College votes)

Joe Biden (D) — 50.3% (237 Electoral College votes)

Governor

Eric Holcomb (R)* — 58% ✓

Woody Myers (D) — 30%

Donald Rainwater (L) — 13%

Attorney General

Todd Rokita (R) — 60% ✓

Jonathan Weinzapfel (D) — 40%

U.S. Representative District 7

Susan Smith (R) — 39%

André Carson (D)* — 62% ✓

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Protesters voiced their frustrations with IUPUI in June. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

IUPUI hopes to repay debt to community

By BREANNA COOPER
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On June 19, a group of IUPUI students, led by representatives of the Black Student Union (BSU), met on campus to voice their frustrations and their demands of the university.

The students had several issues. Chief among them: The construction of IUPUI in 1969 destroyed the surrounding Black community, which university officials failed to acknowledge for years. When the university did acknowledge the harm it caused, it did little to rectify the situation. The students also complained about a lack of support for Black students.

Nearly five months later, IUPUI hopes to fix the damage created over 50 years ago with a scholarship for descendants of families displaced when the university was built and a new center for Africana Studies.

The Center for Africana Studies and Culture will be housed in the Madam Walker Legacy Center on Indiana Avenue, a historically Black area impacted by IUPUI's construction. According to Khalilah Shabazz, IUPUI's assistant vice chancellor for student diversity, equity and inclusion, the center will strengthen the school's partnership with the city and increase opportunities for scholarship and research.

"I know our Africana Studies department is another home away from home for many of our students," Shabazz, who is also a professor of Africana Studies, said. "With the center, there will be more intentional focus on research and history of African American life in Indianapolis and curriculum expansion and will serve as another place for our Black students

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'Beloved' doctor's childbirth death reminder of a tragic trend for Black moms

By HILARY POWELL

As a pediatric chief resident at Indiana University's medical school, Dr. Chaniece Wallace had a list of blessings. This fall, the 30-year-old was interviewing for jobs around the country — and preparing for the birth of her first child.

On Oct. 20, baby Charlotte was born a month premature. Days later, the new mom died.

Her death shook the maternal health care community and has left a "heaviness in our hearts," said pediatric chief resident Dr. Amalia Lehmann. She's reminded of her friend and coworker when she passes a now-empty chair in her office.

"Chaniece has this strong calm," Lehmann says, "but she also had a fierce

passion for her family, friends and patients and would advocate strongly for them when needed. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her, and truly the loss is great even for those whose lives she was sure to impact in a future that was cut tragically and suddenly short."

Wallace's death highlights a stark racial disparity in maternal mortality rates. Nationwide, Black women are at least twice as likely to die in pregnancy, childbirth or within a year of pregnancy as white women.

Wallace's husband, Anthony, took to GoFundMe to share how his daughter was born prematurely via C-section. He said his wife developed pre-eclampsia, a pregnancy complication of high blood pressure that disproportionately

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Dr. Chaniece Wallace



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Kountry Kitchen reopens at temporary location

By **TYLER FENWICK**
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Kountry Kitchen Soul Food Place is back.

Ten months after a fire destroyed the iconic soul food restaurant on College Avenue, Kountry Kitchen opened Nov. 3 at a temporary location for carry-out only. It's not the ideal way to make a comeback — especially during a pandemic — but co-owner Cynthia Wilson said it's good to be back anyway.

“We're glad to be able to at least provide food for the community and maintain our own financial stability,” she said.

Kountry Kitchen is open 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday at the Ruckus Building, 1417 Commerce Ave. Order ahead online at kountrykitchenindy.com.

Wilson and her husband, Isaac, are planning to rebuild at the original location. Wilson said they've had to tweak some of the plans but hopes to have the new facility ready by the end of 2021.

The fire in January at Kountry Kitchen is believed to have been caused by a wiring issue in an office. The community organized a drive-



L-R: Larry Williams, Chris Sanders and Scott Harris stand outside Kountry Kitchen Soul Food Place's temporary location Nov. 3, the first day the restaurant reopened for carry-out only. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

by fundraiser, and a GoFundMe campaign raised \$50,000, including \$25,000 from Colts owner Jim Irsay.

People were eager to get their first taste of Kountry Kitchen in months and packed the parking lot.

“It's a good feeling to have them back,” Chris Sanders said as he stood outside with two of his friends, Scott Harris and Larry Williams.

Sanders, 40, voted in the morning and then went for lunch. His favorite

things to order are the catfish filet and lemonade.

“We gotta support Black businesses because we're limited in the Black businesses that we have,” he said.

Harris, 49, was about to eat at Kountry Kitchen for the first time. Of course, he had heard about the restaurant's reputation from friends and family, but he just never got around to actually eating there.

“It just brings the community together,” Harris said of having the restaurant back.

Williams, 38, went to Kountry Kitchen on his wedding day with his groomsmen and remembers going another time with some friends and seeing a few Colts players. That's one of his favorite things about the restaurant.

“You never know who you're gonna see in here,” he said.

A few minutes later, as they stood in the waiting area, Mayor Joe Hogsett walked through the door and bumped elbows with the three friends.

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is also a picture of the late William “Bill” Mays, who purchased the paper in 1990.

“I wanted to do something that represented generation,” said Mims, who was also one of the artists for the “Black Lives Matter” mural on Indiana Avenue. “This is where we landed, having a younger-generation person reading this paper and just investing in it, showing that he's educating himself and being involved.”

Mims, who had help from her father, worked on the mural throughout the fall, which included some cold days and rain.

Mims is a graphic designer at Indianapolis Motor Speedway but recently reconnected with her passion for painting as a way of expressing herself. This was her third (and largest) mural.

Robert Shegog, the Recorder's president and CEO, said it was good to be able to give a young artist this kind of spotlight.

“When the Recorder and International Marketplace partnered on this project, I knew it would be something special,” Shegog said. “Not only do our efforts exemplify unity, but we were also able to highlight the work of a talented young local artist. The mural Amiah created honors the paper's legacy, its impact in the community, and its hope for the future. I am thrilled that so many people traveling on Keystone and Tacoma avenues will be able to see such a powerful piece of work.”

Mims said it's an honor to have her work featured on the Recorder's building.

“I feel like this is making history,” she said. “It's important to be a part of it.”

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Artist Amiah Mims stands in front of the mural she painted on the Recorder's building. The Recorder and International Marketplace Coalition chose Mims to paint a mural that would reflect the newspaper's 125-year history. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

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IPS superintendent discusses equity, COVID-19 during ‘State of the District’

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Indianapolis Public Schools Superintendent Aleesia Johnson reiterated the district’s promises to students and families during the 2020 “State of the District” on Oct. 28. Much of Johnson’s virtual address dealt with the COVID-19 pandemic. Pre-K through 6th grade students just returned to full-time in-person learning Oct. 19, which is the same day seventh through 12th graders began going back to school on a hybrid model.



IPS Superintendent Aleesia Johnson gives her 2020 “State of the District” address Oct. 28. (Screenshot)

Along with the challenges of figuring how and when to let students return to classrooms, Johnson highlighted the district’s effort to distribute meals during the spring and summer, as well as the recent opening of learning hubs and the distribution of internet hotspots and devices. When district leaders updated the school board on finances during a meeting in August, they said the district had spent \$27 million since March on expenses related to COVID-19.

“Keeping promises isn’t always easy,” Johnson said. “It usually requires a lot of work. It sometimes requires fighting a hard fight.” Johnson noted the pandemic — and consequent economic fallout — has had a disproportionate impact on Black and Latino students. African Americans currently make up 31% of deaths in Marion County, which is slightly higher than their share of the county population. (Race is unknown for 8% of deaths.) “It took centuries to

build a system — not just in our schools, but in real estate practices, tax codes, falsely constructed social hierarchies and more — that baked inequities in deep,” Johnson said. “... It’s going to take time to undo what should never have been done.” Johnson has made racial equity a large focus for the district since she was appointed as the superintendent in 2019. The school board passed the Racial Equity Mindset, Commitment & Action policy in June, which included commit-

ments to offer students culturally relevant curriculum and give staff access to professional learning experiences about racial equity. The district will also have its third racial equity summit in the summer of 2021. Johnson said the policy can either be a “shiny piece of paper” that amounts to empty words, or it can be an “electric shock.”

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WALLACE

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affects Black moms-to-be. “Chaniece fought with every piece of strength, courage, and faith she had available,” he wrote. The young doctor’s death has resonated far from Indianapolis. Dr. Shawnté James, a newborn pediatrician in Maryland, mourned for a woman she never knew, lost to a disparity all too common in her patients of color. “Childbirth isn’t safe for Black Women in America,” James wrote on Twitter. She tells the Recorder and Side Effects Media that her first thought was, “not again.” “Every Black mother that has a pregnancy-related complication that leads to mortality is a heartbreak,” she said. “I look at her and she’s me. She’s a pediatrician, she’s a Black woman, she’s just beginning her career. It hurts even more because I always identify with these moms but I saw myself in her.” The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports maternal mortality has historically been used as a key indicator of the health of a population. Marion County Public Health Department Director Dr. Virginia Caine

said socio-economic factors are barriers to maternal health, and they predate the coronavirus pandemic. For example, low-income pregnant women may lack access to good food or face evictions. In Indiana, Caine said, Black moms die at nearly three times the rate of their white counterparts. “It’s those critical early months that we need to have our Black mothers get into care,” Caine said. “Poverty contributes to it.” James says maternal mortality is bigger than one doctor or hospital, and is due to the systemic racism that more institutions are calling out as a public health crisis. “Black women are not being well served by the health care delivery system as it exists now,” she said. “There’s no way, as a Black woman in America, to overcome the systematic institutionalized racism in medicine that is causing this disparity. I can’t advocate for myself. Dr. Wallace could not advocate enough for herself to overcome something that’s just built into health care.” Meanwhile, Indiana is addressing a

related problem: the number of babies who die before their first birthday. The Marion County Public Health Department reports the overall infant mortality rate improved in 2019 from the previous year, and the rate for Black babies was the lowest ever. The Black infant mortality rate in Marion County was 10.9 deaths per 1,000 live births in 2019, a significant drop from 14 a year earlier. Gov. Eric Holcomb’s goal is for Indiana to have the lowest infant mortality rate in the Midwest by 2024. Officials said the statewide infant mortality rate has fallen to the lowest level in recorded history. State Health Commissioner Dr. Kristina Box notes among many successes, Indiana has seen a nearly 30% drop in Indiana’s Black infant mortality rate in just two years. Still, the mortality rate for Black babies is significantly higher than for white babies. Last month, the Indiana Hospital Association and Box began a program to honor birthing hospitals that do a good job addressing key drivers of infant and

maternal health. IU Health, Wallace’s former workplace — but not where she gave birth — is one of the program awardees. The IU Health Methodist labor and delivery and mother-baby teams were recognized for implementing best practices in key areas, including safe sleep, breastfeeding and tobacco prevention and cessation. Prenatal care is another important factor. Caine says only about 55% of Black moms in Marion County seek prenatal care, compared to 75% of white moms, which can lead to complications for both mom and baby.

Read the rest of this article at indianapolisrecorder.com.

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Now is the time to quit!

Anthem offers you support and incentives to quit smoking

Cigarette smoke harms nearly every organ of the body. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention warns that smokers are more likely than nonsmokers to experience:

- Heart disease.
- Lung cancer.
- A stroke.
- Rheumatoid arthritis.
- Increased risk for cataracts.
- Tooth loss.
- Reproductive issues.
- And many other health risks.

At Anthem, we believe it’s important that our members know the health risks of smoking. But knowing is only the first step. We offer smokers something more — help and hope. **It’s never too late to quit.**

Through the Hoosier Healthwise, Healthy Indiana Plan and Hoosier Care Connect plans, Anthem gives members the support, benefits, and incentives to help them quit smoking and get their overall health back on track.

Still, even knowing how dangerous smoking is and with all the support available, most people still find it extremely hard to quit. And cigarette smoking isn’t the only tough habit to break.

The now popular e-cigarettes, or vaping, can be just as addictive as traditional cigarettes. And while e-cigarettes are believed to be less dangerous, that might not be completely true. According to experts like The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine, evidence shows that the nicotine intake can be almost the same as regular cigarettes. Researchers have also found other forms of tobacco, like hookah and smokeless tobacco, are just as addictive and harmful. These still contain nicotine, toxins, and metals, and can cause cancer, gum disease, heart disease, and stroke.

So you’re ready to quit — where do you start?

When tobacco users are ready to kick the habit, it’s a good idea to start with a plan. Follow these helpful tips to get started:

List your reasons for quitting: Everyone has different reasons for why they want to quit smoking. Think carefully about your reasons and make a list. Keep them in a place where you can review them daily.

Pick a quit date: Many smokers choose a date within two weeks to quit smoking. This allows enough time to prepare. Avoid choosing a date that is already stressful or busy to reduce the urge to smoke.

Tell a friend: Quitting can be easier with support from friends and family. Let them know your plan and how they can help.

Remove reminders: Get rid of things that remind you of smoking, like cigarettes, matches, lighters and ashtrays. It may also help to freshen your home, car and workspace.

Identify triggers: Certain activities, feelings and people are linked to smoking. Make a list of everything that makes you feel like smoking. Come up with one coping strategy to help you deal with each item.

Be ready for withdrawal: When smokers quit, the body has to adjust to not having nicotine in its system. This is called withdrawal. Withdrawal can be unpleasant, but sticking to an action plan can help.

Deal with weight gain: Many people put off quitting because they’re worried about weight gain. While many smokers gain some weight after they quit, it’s better for your long-term health if

you quit. Start exercising, eating a healthy diet and drinking plenty of water.

Know when to get more help: Quitting smoking is hardest during the first few weeks. Whether it’s a quit line, support group or good friend, make sure you have support options there at all times. Consider nicotine replacement therapies (patch, gum or lozenge), too.

Treat yourself: Celebrate your milestones (one week smoke-free, one month smoke-free). Plan your rewards ahead of time to give yourself something to look forward to.

Once you quit, the rewards can be great! Smokers’ health starts to get better right away. Vision improves, skin clears up and the risk for heart disease goes down. Quitting can also do things like:

- Lower cholesterol.
- Stop lung damage.
- Strengthen the immune system.
- Improve reproductive health.
- Lower the risk of diabetes.
- Strengthen muscles and bones.

And while your health is the most important thing, quitting can also save you money. In Indiana, the average cost for a pack of cigarettes is \$6. Quitting a pack-a-day habit equals a savings of about \$2,200 a year! Also, Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP) Plus members who don’t smoke or quit smoking can save money by avoiding the tobacco surcharge the state adds to HIP health care payments.

Anthem has also partnered with the Indiana Tobacco Quitline to help you quit. The Indiana Tobacco Quitline is a free phone counseling service to help Hoosiers quit tobacco. They have trained, dedicated Quit Coaches who have helped hundreds quit

using tobacco. Plus, Anthem members can get up to \$40 in incentives for quitting smoking through the Quitline. Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW or visit www.QuitNowIndiana.com to get started on your journey to being tobacco-free. You can also find more resources at Indiana’s cessation website, www.IN.gov/quitline. When you’re an Anthem member, there’s no judgement

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The 35th Annual Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Ball



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The 35th annual Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Ball hosted by Ivy Endowment Inc., in partnership with Alpha Mu Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., will be Nov. 8

By STAFF

This year, 21 seniors from local high schools will be presented to society during a virtual program. Debutantes will receive a scholarship for academic achievement, fundraising

and overall success in the Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship program. The father-daughter dance, a hallmark event of the program, will remain, and a debutante queen will be crowned.

The annual ball is the culminating celebration of the Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship program, which fosters academic excellence and civic leadership in college-bound high school juniors and seniors. Debutantes participate in workshops that promote high ethical standards, character development, good citizenship and social graces. All workshops were held virtually this year.

Co-chairs for the program are Niah Fulford, Jessica Parks and Rhonda Williams.

ELECTION

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U.S. Representative District 5
Victoria Spartz (R) — 52%
Christina Hale (D) — 44%
Kenneth Tucker (L) — 4%

State Senate District 28
Michael Crider (R)* — 66%
Theresa Bruno (D) — 34%

State Senate District 30
John Ruckelshaus (R) — 49%
Fady Quaddoura (D) — 51%

State Senate District 32
Aaron Freeman (R) — 62% ✓
Belinda Drake (D) — 38%

State Senate District 33
Greg Taylor (D)* — 100% ✓

State Senate District 34
Jean Breaux (D)* — 100% ✓

State Senate District 35
R. Michael Young (R)* — 55% ✓
Pete Cowden (D) — 45%

State Senate District 36
Jacke E. Sandlin (R)* — 56% ✓
Ashley Eason (D) — 44%

State Representative District 86
Paul Tinkle (R) — 31%

Edward Delaney (D) — 69% ✓

State Representative District 87
Ryan Royer (R) — 38%
Carey Hamilton (D) — 63% ✓

State Representative District 88
Chris Jeter (R) — 60% ✓
Pam Dechert (D) — 40%

State Representative District 89
Cindy Kirchhofer (R) — 50%
Mitch Gore (D) — 50%

State Representative District 90
Mike Speedy (R) — 67% ✓
Jordan Nienaber (D) — 33%

State Representative District 91
Robert W. Behning (R) — 62% ✓
Beverly McDermott-Piazza (D) — 32%
Crystal A. Henry (L) — 6%

State Representative District 92
Renee Pack (D) — 100% ✓

State Representative District 93
John Jacob (R) — 64% ✓
Angela Elliott (D) — 37%

State Representative District 94
Felipe Jesus Rios (R) — 15%

Cherrish S. Pryor (D)* — 85% ✓

State Representative District 95
John L. Bartlett (D)* — 100% ✓

State Representative District 96
Gregory W. Porter (D)* — 100% ✓

State Representative District 97
John P. Schmitz (R) — 42%
Justin Moed (D) — 54%
Mark A. Renholzberger (L) — 4%

State Representative District 98
Robin Shackelford (D)* — 100% ✓

State Representative District 99
Vanessa J. Summers (D)* — 100% ✓

State Representative District 100
Wayne (Gunny) Harmon (R) — 35%
Blake Johnson (D) — 65% ✓

IPS School Board District 1
Will Pritchard — 64%
Brandon Randall — 36%

IPS School Board District 2
Venita J. Moore* — 78.7%
Daqavise Winston — 21.3%

IPS School Board District 4
Diane Arnold* — 52.4%

Christina Smith — 47.6%

IPS School Board At-Large
Kenneth Allen — 40.5%
Elizabeth M. Gore* — 38.4%
Kendra McKnight — 16.6%
Ellis S. Noto — 4.5%

Beech Grove School Board At-Large (vote for four)
Kimberly Buckley — 22.1%
Jill Laker* — 18.5%
Aaron Lamb* — 18.4%
April McManus* — 20.6%
Beth A. Prindle* — 20.4%

Decatur Township School Board At-Large (vote for two)
Larry Lee Taylor* — 53.2%
Estella Vandeventer* — 46.4%

Franklin Township School Board Northwest
Doris L. Gowan — 53.2%
Judith Jefferies Shore* — 47.8%

Franklin Township School Board Southwest
Kelly L. Foulk* — 44.1%
Karen Schuldt — 25.8%
Derek Sutton — 30.1%

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SPOTLIGHT



Veterans Day discounts

By STAFF

Veterans Day is Nov. 11, and as always, there are plenty of discounts and freebies to take advantage of. Some businesses require veterans to show proof of service, so be sure to check any requirements before going.

Indianapolis Zoo

The Indianapolis Zoo will offer free admittance for veterans and active military personnel on Veterans Day.

7-Eleven

Veterans can get a free coffee or Big Gulp on Veterans Day.

Applebee’s

Veterans and active-duty military can select a free meal from a limited menu on Veterans Day with proof of service.

Bob Evans

On Nov. 11, veterans can choose from seven menu items

to enjoy for free. This offer is open to veterans and active-duty military personnel.

Chili’s

At select Chili’s locations, veterans and active military personnel can get a free meal on Veterans Day.

Red Lobster

Red Lobster will offer veterans either a free appetizer or dessert on Nov. 11.

Best Buy

Best Buy is one of several businesses that offers year-round discounts for veterans and active-duty military, typically with a 10% discount and half off Geek Squad services.

Business leaders want accomplices, not just allies

By TYLER FENWICK
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Business leaders know the community looks at their commitments to racial equity and diversity with a skeptical eye. That’s why they spend half of the time talking about their goals and half of the time explaining why they’re serious about it.

The team at Black Onyx Management, a Black-owned management consulting firm, recently launched Indy Accomplish-ship to change that by helping businesses and other organizations address outcomes in four areas: the workplace, workforce, marketplace and community.

The word “ally” came into vogue recently to signify white people, business owners and others who choose to align themselves with Black people. Indy Accomplishship is more than that.

“Allies make statements. Accomplices take action,” said Tamara Cypress, founder of Indy Accomplishship and a corporate social responsibility consultant at Black Onyx Management.

The first cohort of businesses includes Penske Entertainment, IndyStar, Borshorff and Central Indiana Community Founda-tion.

The businesses take a wide-ranging pledge that covers the four areas men-tioned above. Businesses commit to clos-ing the Black-white pay gap for similar positions, spending a percentage of money with Black contractors, volunteering at Black organizations and more.

Racism won’t go away because some businesses added a few more Black people to leadership roles, but Cypress said suc-cess can’t be defined only by hard numbers.

“We do not expect these companies to come up this time next year and solve rac-ism,” she said. “What we do expect is for companies to make strides in each of these four areas.”

Indy Accomplishship will work with or-ganizations that take the pledge but have a difficult time making improvements, Cypress said, and she hopes organizations that aren’t up to the challenge will “weed themselves out.” There is a pre-assessment for interested businesses. Learn more at indyaccomplishship.com.

Business leaders met Oct. 30 at Cleo’s Bodega & Cafe to celebrate Indy Accom-plishship Day, marking the start of their journey to becoming accomplices.



Marshawn Wolley, president and CEO of Black Onyx Management, speaks at an event Oct. 30 at Cleo’s Bodega and Cafe to mark Indy Accomplish-ship Day. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

Peter Kim, president and chief creative officer at MKR, a marketing and advertis-ing company, said the company is offering free marketing services to local Black-owned business. MKR has developed marketing strategies so far for four Black-owned businesses through a partnership with Black Businesses Matter, a campaign part of Indy Accomplishship.

Venita Moore, managing principal of operations at Engaging Solutions, said the company has agreed to give 10% of its services to the community and to help develop businesses.

Indy Accomplishship isn’t the first corporate pledge program to spring up in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting economic fallout. A group of organizations, led by Eli Lilly, launched the Indy Racial Equity Pledge in October to promote change in the areas of health, prosperity, education and criminal justice.

Jimmie McMillan, senior corporate council and chief diversity officer at Pen-ske Entertainment, said he hopes these efforts aren’t just seen as a “window of opportunity.”

“I don’t like that term,” he said, “because I’m tired of crawling through windows and creeping through doors to get what’s right-fully ours.”

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The 25th Spirit & Place Festival, Nov. 5-15, will focus on origin stories and myths that have shaped the way things are today. Learn more and register for events at spiritandplace.org.

Spirit & Place Festival explores origins

By TYLER FENWICK
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The 2020 Spirit & Place festival will make people think critically about origin stories and myths that help shape the way things are today. From religion to society to individuals, understanding the beginnings can help make sense of the present.

This is the 25th anniversary of Spirit & Place, a collaborative festival that incorporates the arts, religion and humanities.

Erin Kelley, the festival's program director for the last six years, said it's important for people in Indianapolis to consider these different types of origins, especially since 2020 is also the city's bicentennial year.

"There is no one single origin story," she said. "In this country there are a multitude of origin stories. We all approach life from our different perspectives."

Most of the events this year are virtual because of the pandemic. It was a difficult transition for the organizations involved, Kelley said, but it could also be an opportunity to reach more people. Kelley said she received emails from people who live outside of Marion County, as well as elderly people who don't like to drive at night, about how virtual events are more accessible.

One of the events is Deep Roots, hosted by Keep Indianapolis Beautiful (KIB). Deep Roots is a continuation of an event in October when KIB invited faith leaders to share their respective prayers about caring for nature. Some of those faith leaders will talk about what their faith traditions say about spirituality and the natural world.

"Every major faith and spiritual practice has something to say about caring for the world around us," said Jeremy Kranowitz, president and CEO of KIB.

Indianapolis has more churches and religious sites per capita than any other city in the country, according to a study from PropertyShark, and there are many faith traditions represented.

Everyone has a shared moral obligation to take care of the planet, Kranowitz said, and he hopes people who attend the event understand there are steps they can take individually or as a group to help their community's environment.

Deep Roots is 3-5 p.m. Nov. 11 on Zoom. Learn more at spiritandplace.org.

Another event, Beyond the Big Chop, will explore how Black hair can shape a sense of beauty and identity.

Patricia Jordan, who will co-host a pre-recorded lecture, said it's important to understand how hair can affect a person's physical and mental health, especially as women try to meet society's beauty standards.

Beyond the Big Chop refers to the "big chop" Black women make to cut off their relaxed or straightened hair and go natural.

"It's almost like starting over," Jordan said.

The virtual event includes an interactive session about maintaining health by controlling the ingredients used in hair. Jordan said there is research that shows chemicals for perms and relaxers can go beneath the scalp and into the bloodstream, which can impact the body's pH balance and estrogen levels.

There are a limited number of supply kits for at-home hair care.

Beyond the Big Chop is 5:30-7:30 p.m. Nov. 13. Register at spiritandplace.org, which is where you can also find a list of all Spirit & Place events.

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IUPUI

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who are seeking out opportunities about their own cultural backgrounds and heritages."

Leslie Etienne is the first executive director of the Center for Africana Studies and Culture and sees it as an opportunity to expand curriculum and help bridge the gap between the school and the surrounding community.

"The center gives us somewhere to launch some more community-engaged cultural programming," Etienne said. "It gives us more opportunity for scholarship and research and also to help our students engage with the material."

IUPUI Chancellor Nasser Paydar announced the center, along with the Through Their Eyes scholarship, during a Central Indiana Community Foundation event focused on dismantling systemic racism in education.

"The Center for Africana Studies and Culture at IUPUI is a reflection of our campus values and priorities," Paydar said. "IUPUI is proud to be part of the Indianapolis community and to be expanding this important work at a crucial time in our city's history."

The Through Their Eyes scholarship, named for a 2006 BSU initiative to promote inclusion on IUPUI's campus is for undergradu-

ate students who can prove they are descendants of individuals displaced by IUPUI and are working toward their first degree.

To apply for the scholarship, which is up to \$15,000 per year, students need to be able to show familial linkage, either through documentation or photographs.

Shabazz said this is just the beginning of IUPUI's dedication to changing the culture on campus.

"IUPUI has an abundance of anti-racist initiatives and action items, including an action committee that was formed last summer addressing systemic racism and how we as a campus can address it," Shabazz said.

The action committee, which included Sha-Nel Henderson, president of the BSU, as well as other students, presented ideas to IUPUI officials.

The cultural center and scholarship meet some of the demands the action committee presented.

"As an alumni of IUPUI, I'm really excited about this," Shabazz said.

"It's a tough time in our country, and it's hard work, but I'm excited for the chance to help change and shift our campus and the Indianapolis community."

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IMPD, ACLU of Indiana come to agreement

By **BREANNA COOPER**
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The Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD) has reached an agreement with the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Indiana to change its policy regarding the use of chemical weapons against protesters.

In June, the ACLU of Indiana filed a lawsuit against IMPD on behalf of Indy10 Black Lives Matter for the use of chemical weapons during protests in May following the deaths of George Floyd and Dreasjon Reed.

In a press conference Oct. 29, Ken Falk, legal director for the ACLU of Indiana, said this contract prohibits the use of tear gas and other chemical agents on individuals engaged in peaceful protests or to prevent protesters from going elsewhere in the city during a demonstration.

This agreement does not prohibit IMPD from using tear gas or other chemical agents in the events of riots or potentially dangerous activities.

Bre Robinson, who was tear-gassed during a protest downtown May 29, said she and other protesters were chased by IMPD officers while they were running to avoid the chemical agent.

Indy10 representatives Kyra Har-



Police move toward a crowd of protesters May 31 after using tear gas to try to disperse them. (Pho-to/screenshot from Recorder video)

vey and Jessica Louise said protesters weren't warned tear gas would be used and said IMPD confiscated medical supplies from the group before tear gas was deployed. Louise said the seizure of medical supplies, which was confirmed by several eyewitnesses, put protesters with pre-existing conditions at a higher risk for complications and even death from the chemical weapons.

"The tear gas crept up on us," Louise said during the press conference.

According to Louise, the tear gas used expired in 2002. "We didn't hear any orders to disperse ... and we were encouraging people to go home when police began to approach us. We could smell something in the air, and our eyes began to water, we had people deep coughing, and there were people in the crowd with respiratory issues ... so we had to deal with that as well."

Both Harvey and Louise said exposure to tear gas caused long-lasting

respiratory issues, as well as changes to their menstrual cycles. Bre Robinson, a plaintiff on the lawsuit, said she was physically ill for days after being tear gassed.

While Falk said he can't guarantee chemical agents won't be used on protesters in the future, he's confident the contract signals a change in IMPD policy, and said it will be brought up in training for officers in the future.

"People could have died from that expired tear gas," Louise said. "... The right to protest has been a fundamental principle of Indy10 since its founding day. This agreement ... underscores the power of the people. It is a right to have safe and secure places to protest without the threat of state-sanctioned violence."

While Indy10 and the ACLU of Indiana are hopeful this agreement will prevent future protesters from being subjected to tear gas, both will continue to hold city and police officials accountable if the contract is breached.

"It's our duty to fight for our freedom," Louise said. "It's our duty to win, by any means necessary."

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Longtime IPS board member dies

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Hazel Stewart, an education advocate and longtime Indianapolis Public Schools board member, died Oct. 28. She was 88.

Stewart served as the IPS commissioner for District 5 for 16 years, according to Recorder archives.

Stewart's obituary did not list a cause of death. The funeral service is at 11 a.m. Nov. 6 at Grace Apostolic Church. She will be buried in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Stewart was an advocate for school



Hazel Stewart (Photo courtesy of Legacy.com)

choice and served as a voice for lower-income families within IPS.

"All parents should have real choices," Stewart told the Recorder in 1994. "A strong school board, committed to meaningful public school choice, can make a significant difference."

Stewart served on the board until 1998, when she lost a close election by about 300 votes. The late Recorder columnist and radio host Amos Brown blamed Stewart's defeat on biased media and a lack of support from Black leaders.

"The lack of visible, vocal support from Black politicians, ministers and leadership was the biggest reason Stewart lost," Brown wrote in a 1998

column. "Their silence hurt, along with the silence from organized labor, whose members Hazel Stewart championed for years!"

The Recorder's coverage of the election didn't quote Stewart but noted she said she would continue to be vocal in matters that involved IPS. Seven years later, there was a photo in the Recorder showing Stewart standing and speaking from the crowd at an education forum at Crispus Attucks Middle School.

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EDITORIAL

Getting out the vote

By OSEYE BOYD



Elections are over, but we’re still awaiting the results as ballots continue to be counted. I knew this was going to be a doozy of a presidential election because it’s 2020, and it’s been a doozy of a year. I know we like to predict in this country, but I try not to put too much energy into speculation because polls have been wrong before. However, I did take heed to one prediction: The outcome of the presidential election won’t be determined on election night. I didn’t allow myself to stress about results because I knew there were tons of votes that needed to be counted.

What I find disappointing, though, is even though Marion County had 58% voter turnout, and surpassed the 53% voter turnout achieved in 2016, that’s still an awful lot of voters who didn’t “turn out.”

What is keeping the other 42% of voters from casting their ballot?

I think that is a question those of us who believe in democracy must ask — and listen to those who don’t vote. Is it a matter of transportation, disinterest, disillusion or something else? Gov. Eric Holcomb

didn’t allow Hoosiers who didn’t want to vote at a polling site because of COVID-19 to vote absentee. Did the fear of contracting COVID-19 while voting keep some away?

I’m someone who believes everyone should vote. I believe many politicians don’t want everyone to vote because it could ruin their chances of continual election. Why else do so many invest in making it difficult for people to vote? Voter suppression is real, and as long as members of the electorate stay home, they’re allowing someone to represent them who likely doesn’t have their best interests in mind.

We need to find out why we don’t have 100% turnout every election. Community leaders and politicians who care should put more effort into understanding the reasons so many don’t participate in elections and educate those individuals on the importance of their vote. I’m going to venture to say that many who don’t vote don’t see how their vote counts. They feel hopeless, unseen and unheard, and they think voting will do little to change that. I understand that sentiment, but I believe part of that is because for so many years we voted and believed that ended our civic duty. As I said in a previous column, voting is just the beginning of our civic duty. We can’t let politicians off the hook until the next election rolls around. While I had and still have issues with Ice Cube meeting with the Trump admin-

istration, I understand his point that Black people can’t be uninvolved in the political process if our chosen candidate isn’t elected. We must be involved, make demands and be heard no matter who wins. For too long we’ve let others decide the important issues for us then feel ignored when our concerns aren’t part of the conversation.

And, we need to make sure we spend just as much time on local elections as we do national elections.

Speaking of local elections, I vowed a while ago to pay more attention to judges. I’m trying to keep that promise, but it’s difficult to find information on judges. I want to know the record of judges running to retain their seats. I easily found the information I sought for the Indiana Supreme Court judge and Indiana Court of Appeals judges, but it was like looking for a needle in a haystack when it came to Marion County judges. I admit I don’t know every resource available in cyberspace, but I’m pretty handy with Google, and I couldn’t find the information — nor could anyone I know. The information may be online, but it shouldn’t feel like hunting for buried treasure to find it. Judges wield a lot of power, and I’d like to be more informed when I vote for them. If anyone can point me in the right direction, I’d appreciate it. If such information is not easily accessible, it needs to be ASAP.

OPINIONS

And the winner is ...

By LARRY SMITH



Coaches have a phrase — “I’ll take the win” — which they utter after grasping victory from apparent defeat. As I write, the presidential election of 2020 has yet to be decided. I don’t know whether the “blue” team or the “red” team won. Irrespective of the political outcome, America has lost morally.

This election is the mother of binary choices, pitting two radically different men against each other. Donald Trump and Joe Biden, both septuagenarian white men, have radically different agendas. Trump would drag America “back to the future,” trying to recapture a bygone era in which white supremacy went largely unchallenged. (His beloved wall is a perfect metaphor for his presidency.)

Conversely, Joe Biden, embracing the America of today (and tomorrow) understands that nobody can bend the future to his or her will. America is evolving away from old standards, values and power structures. That change has begun — and it is inexorable. The

differences between these two men are so stark that the outcome should not even be close (i.e., in Biden’s favor). Sadly, we have what appears to be essentially an electoral tie.

For decades there had been a sharp partisan divide that was based largely on dull political differences. In other words, Republicans and Democrats primarily debated along the margins of public policy (e.g., whether to raise or lower taxes, how to deal with the national debt, etc.). Here and there they had heated arguments about substantial ideological differences, such as regarding abortion, but those were the exceptions. Europeans looked at most of the differences between the two major parties and scoffed at the intensity of our parochialism. (For example, Republicans have long called Democrats “socialists” without any regard to objective reality.)

Those halcyon days are long gone. Around the time that George W. Bush became president, long-standing fault lines became tectonic shifts, resulting in volcanic political eruptions. These rifts have grown immensely — largely as a result of right-wing talk radio and the rise of Fox News. At base these divisions are primarily due to the evil twin sisters of racism and fears about

economic decline. In short, white Americans have become increasingly concerned about this nation’s rapidly changing racial and ethnic demographics. They also experience substantial anxiety regarding socioeconomic dislocation (i.e., no longer being “at the top of the food chain”).

The rise of Donald Trump, a political neophyte, is the inevitable result of those concerns. Deftly navigating — and intensifying — the politics of white grievance led him down the yellow brick road to the White House. I believe that, were it not for the pandemic and ensuing economic depression, Trump would have been able to declare an easy victory early on election night. That is a frightening prospect that won’t go away even if Biden ultimately prevails.

Irrespective of who the American people elect to lead this nation, there is a core set of challenges that must be addressed. Right now. Too many people in America are poor. Too many people in America are poorly educated — or are educated but unable to pay their college loan bill. Too many people in America lack access to high-quality health care. (Note that all of these facts also apply to most countries in the world, so the problems must be ad-

dressed on a global scale.)

Even if Joe Biden won the election, now is not the time to be complacent. Even before the pandemic, too many people died unnecessarily due to lack of health care. Too many people are one or two checks away from homelessness. And our planet is prematurely dying due to man-made climate change.

At its base, politics is primarily a fight about the allocation of resources. To the extent that one side can convince enough people that their causes are good and just, it should be easy enough to win them over. But the proliferation of miseducation and misinformation constitute a toxic brew, especially when dissension and division are the daily diet from the White House. In short, what we’re facing today is not about partisan politics; it is about justice, dignity and recognizing our shared humanity. One candidate agrees with this view; the other does not.

Joe Biden is an imperfect candidate for the presidency. But, if he prevails, I’ll take the win.

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The next fight should be redistricting

By MARSHAWN WOLLEY



So, now that we got through Election Day, the next fight should be redistricting.

Following what is called a decennial census year (every 10 years), Indiana legislative bodies are responsible for drawing new district maps.

The Indiana General Assembly will develop state and congressional legislative districts, and the city-county council will prepare council district maps.

According to the Brennan Center for Justice, Indiana law is wanting in several respects.

There isn’t a compactness requirement, which means districts can sprawl.

There isn’t a requirement to create competitive districts. This means that in too many instances around the state, elected officials are essentially elected in their primary.

There isn’t a policy on encouraging partisan balance.

The center notes there are not requirements for preservation of political boundaries, communities of interest or nesting.

They note that in drawing the maps they are not prohibited from protecting incumbents.

The drawing of maps is a little tricky for the Black community.

Around 48% of the Black community lives in a predominantly Black community.

To draw maps that enhance our collective political influence in more districts you run a strong possibility of losing Black representation in legislative bodies. It doesn’t have to be the case, but it is a consideration.

In a political environment where too many politicians think Black political concerns are a negotiation, not having actual representation could stymie progress.

Nevertheless, the status quo certainly has its flaws. Right now elected officials may not be aware of, or sensitive to, Black concerns because there simply aren’t enough of us in their districts to compel a focus on our issues.

I contend that they could be educated to care and arguments can be developed to show mutual interest among a variety of constituencies, but if we aren’t a significant constituency in their elections the politics of that position aren’t as strong.

Civic organizations like Women4Change, the NAACP, the League of Women Voters and others have been engaged on this issue.

What has been proposed is a nonpartisan redistricting committee.

The idea that politicians have so much influence on the process of identifying their constituencies, including hiring consultants to essentially create their competitive advantage for decades, is clearly problematic.

The general response from the Indiana General Assembly has been that the Indiana Constitution says that the Indiana General Assembly is responsible for preparing the maps.

The reality is they haven’t done a good job at a number of the more basics protections other states use to avoid the most objectionable aspects of gerrymandering.

To be fair, there have been games played at the local level with the maps including the removal of four countywide city-county councilors.

The Black community lost a Black city-county

councilor in the last election cycle, but in recent years the president of the city-county council has been Black. (I think demographics accelerated a change but the new councilor is sensitive to Black issues.)

We need better processes to support the interest of people of color including Black and Latinx voters. Adding common sense provisions to how we develop the district maps for all legislative bodies is critical for our democracy.

What I’m hearing ...

To prognosticate on this election seems to be ill-advised mostly because at the time of writing this it isn’t over.

But one observation that I think will be a topic of conversation is the division within the electorate.

We are deeply divided as a country — which is another way of saying we are a diverse country with a broad range of rationales for political behavior.

We will need to avoid a Manichean (good vs. evil) dismissal of others as evil for actions we do not understand if we actually are interested in achieving the kind of progress for people of color in Indianapolis, the state and the country.

There is also the issue of whether we all think progress looks the same.

We should be humble in our lack of understanding.

There is a good chance that the exit poll demographic data will look unusual or counterintuitive depending on your source of news.

There is racism, misogyny and a host of other “isms” in the world but arriving at an explanation based on your understanding about why people voted the way that they did, without a conversation seeking to understand a person who is the momentary target of your disapproval, is not only counterproductive, it is harmful to you.

Part of inclusion is understanding diversity.

Seeking understanding of people who think differently from you is both the best way to pursue change as well as to experience growth.

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Experts: Police brutality, racism pushing Black anxiety

By COREY WILLIAMS
Associated Press

WARREN, Mich. (AP) — The events of 2020 already had Eddie Hall on edge.

Then, the troubles of a nation in turmoil landed on Hall's doorstep in suburban Detroit in September when racist graffiti was scrawled on his pickup truck and shots were fired into his home after his family placed a Black Lives Matter sign in their front window.

"I'm in combat mode. I'm protecting my family," Hall, a 52-year-old Black man from Warren, told The Associated Press.

Some experts say police brutality, the coronavirus pandemic that has taken disproportionate physical and financial tolls on Black people, and other issues around race have increased anxiety levels among African Americans, like Hall.

The attacks on Hall's home were investigated as a hate crime and 24-year-old white neighbor, Michael Frederick Jr., eventually was arrested and charged with ethnic intimidation and other crimes.

"We, as Black people, have all of the normal human stressors — work, family, finances — and then we're inundated with racial pressure at all levels," said Jessica Graham-Lopresti, assistant professor of psychology at Suffolk University and co-founder of Massachusetts-based BARE — Black Advocacy Resilience Empowerment.

"This idea that, for Black people, we don't feel — currently in this country — that we have the ability to control our environment and protect ourselves and our families," she said. "We could still be gunned down in the street. That creates anxiety. That creates stress."

In May, mostly white men and women protesting Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's orders that closed many businesses and services to stem the spread of COVID-19 openly carried rifles and handguns into the state Capitol.

As many activists take to the streets to maintain public political pressure for change, concern about personal safety is at an all-time high, said Frederick Gooding Jr., an African American studies professor at Texas Christian University.

"Especially in the aftermath of Kyle Rittenhouse walking untouched in full view with an assault rifle AFTER shooting another civilian dead," Gooding added.

Rittenhouse, a white 17-year-old from northern Illinois, is accused of fatally shooting two white protesters and wounding a third in August in Kenosha, Wisconsin, during demonstrations following the police shooting of Jacob Blake, a Black man. Rittenhouse was among a number of armed white men who converged on the city, claiming they were protecting property from arson and



Eddie Hall Jr. and his wife Candace stand in front of the broken front window of their Warren, Mich., home, on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020. Some experts say political and social unrest as well as the coronavirus pandemic has taken disproportionate physical and financial tolls on Black people, resulting in increased anxiety levels among African Americans. (David Guralnick/Detroit News via AP, File)

theft.

After the gunfire, with his AR-15-style rifle over his shoulder and his hands in the air, Rittenhouse walked toward police vehicles that kept going past him, even as a witness shouted, "He just shot them!" Police Chief Daniel Miskinis has explained the response as officers dealing with a chaotic scene.

Sharon Bethune, 56, of Fredericksburg, Virginia, said the events in Kenosha angered her and other Black people.

"This is mind-boggling," said Bethune, a retiree who managed government accounts for the Environmental Protection Agency. "I've never seen anything like this."

For Black professionals and those in the middle class, the anxiety appears to be more pronounced, said Alford Young Jr., a sociology professor at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

They wonder "how we got to this moment of national leadership after the civil rights movement," Young said. "There is just extreme anxiety and frustration that people would not have imagined that the kinds of issues surfacing now would have followed an Obama presidency."

Many working class Black people see the current political landscape with less dread and more "the

way it's always been," he added.

Candace Hall, Eddie Hall's wife, said Republican President Donald Trump shoulders part of the blame for how many African Americans are feeling.

Trump, who claims to have done more for Black people than his predecessors, has been accused of using race to stoke division. He has encouraged police to use a heavy-handed approach on people protesting against racism and police brutality. During his first debate with Democratic candidate Joe Biden, Trump refused to condemn white supremacy.

"He's opened up Pandora's box with racism and anger and telling police to beat people up," said Candace Hall, 55, also an Army veteran.

Ciaran O'Connor, spokesman for New York-based Braver Angels, which seeks to depolarize American politics, said people need to talk to each other, not retreat from tough conversations, as they fight for what they believe in.

"We believe in the power of conversation if you are trying to persuade people in a way to humanize people," O'Connor said. "If we're gonna bring positive change, we're going to have to find ways to have these conversations."

Lower Your Risk of Lung Cancer

According to the American Lung Association (ALA), lung cancer is second only to skin cancer as the most common cancer in both men and women. In men, prostate cancer is more common, while in women breast cancer is more common.

ALA also says that lung cancer mainly occurs in older people. Most people diagnosed with lung cancer are 65 or older; a very small number of people diagnosed are younger than 45. The average age of people when diagnosed is about 70.

On a positive note, the number of new lung cancer cases continues to decrease, partly because people are quitting smoking. Also, the number of deaths from lung cancer continues to drop due to people stopping smoking and advances in early detection and treatment.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) says smoking can cause cancer and then block the body from fighting it. Nearly 9 out of 10 lung cancers are caused by smoking cigarettes.

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Another way to prevent cancer, according to CDC, is by avoiding secondhand smoke, which is smoke from other people's cigarettes, pipes, or cigars. Secondhand smoke causes lung cancer in adults who have never smoked. Nonsmokers who are exposed to secondhand smoke at home or at work increase their risk of getting lung cancer by 20-30%.

Also, residents should get their home tested for radon. Radon is an invisible gas that has no taste or smell. It is a natural gas that comes from rocks and soil, and

can dissolve in groundwater. Radon is thought to be the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, responsible for more than 20,000 lung cancer deaths each year.

People can be exposed to radon mainly from breathing radon in air that comes through cracks and gaps in the foundation of buildings and homes. One out of 15 homes has a high level of radon. Testing your home is the only way to find out if you have a radon problem. If you do, then you can fix it.

Free home radon testing is available through the Marion County Public Health Department by calling 317-221-2266.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends yearly lung cancer screening with low-dose computed tomography (CT) scan for people who:

- Have a history of heavy smoking
- Smoke now or have quit within the past 15 years, and
- Are between 55 and 80 years old.

Lung cancer screening is not without risks, which is why lung cancer screening is recommended only for adults who are at high risk for developing the disease because of their smoking history and age.

People who are thinking about getting screened should learn more about it and talk to a primary care medical provider. Lung cancer screening is not a substitute for quitting smoking. Each year, about 221,000 people in the United States are told they have lung cancer and about 146,000 people die from this disease. Different people have different symptoms for lung cancer. Most people with lung cancer don't have symptoms until the cancer is advanced.

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Social issues a priority for cardinal-to-be Wilton Gregory

By DAVID CRARY
AP National Writer

Washington, D.C., Archbishop Wilton Gregory, soon to become the Roman Catholic Church first Black cardinal from the United States, hopes the U.S. hierarchy can broaden its concept of “pro-life” so that other pressing issues can be considered top priorities along with opposition to abortion.

Gregory, in an interview with The Associated Press, also endorsed proposals to include the history of Black Catholics in the U.S. as part of the curriculum in Catholic schools. Earlier this year, amid nationwide demonstrations against racial injustice, some Black Catholics said the curriculum should be more honest about the church’s past links to slavery and segregation, and more detailed in portraying how Black Catholics persevered.

All U.S. Catholics “should know the full panoply of the heritage of Black people in the church,” Gregory said. “It’s not a full history until all the components have a rightful place in the telling of the story.”

There also have been calls for the Catholic church to offer some sort of reparations because of its past involvement in slavery, but Gregory said any such initiatives would have to be made by individual institutions, not by the church as a whole. He cited the example of Catholic-affiliated Georgetown University, which is committing funds to benefit the descendants of enslaved people sold to pay off the school’s debts.

Gregory’s ascension to cardinal was announced Oct. 25 by Pope Francis. There is expected to be a ceremony at the Vatican on Nov. 28 formally elevating Gregory and 12 other clerics to the rank of cardinal.

His appointment came amid a heated U.S. election campaign that entangled many Catholic leaders. Some were signaling support for President Donald Trump because of the Republican Party’s stance against abortion. Others, citing comments from Pope Francis, argued that other social issues — including racial injustice, poverty, immigration and climate change — also deserve to be emphasized.

A reference point for this debate is language in the official voting guide produced by the U.S. bishops



In this Sept. 11, 2015, file photo, Archbishop Wilton Gregory, right, celebrates mass and blesses the badges of the first responders as the Archdiocese of Atlanta held its first “Blue Mass” for public safety officials and first responders in Atlanta. Pope Francis on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2020, named 13 new cardinals, including Washington D.C. Archbishop Wilton Gregory, who would become the first Black U.S. prelate to earn the coveted red hat. In a surprise announcement from his studio window to faithful standing below in St. Peter’s Square, Francis said the churchmen would be elevated to a cardinal’s rank in a ceremony on Nov. 28. (Bob Andres/Atlanta Journal-Constitution via AP, File)

conference, which says “the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority.”

Gregory was emphatic that “respect for life in the womb” should remain a top priority but said the references to it being the pre-eminent issue “could benefit from rephrasing.”

The current phasing “implies that other dimensions of human life can be dispensed with — and they can’t,” he said.

Recently, the Rev. James Altman, a priest from Wisconsin, declared in a YouTube video: “You cannot be Catholic and be a Democrat” and warned that Catholics risked “the fires of hell” if they backed a party favoring abortion rights.

Gregory depicted such remarks as “egregious and unhelpful,” and said Catholic voters should base their voting decisions on “the full panoply of the church’s social teaching.”

Another volatile issue now confronting Catholic clergy involves the status of LGBT people in the church. Recently, a documentary film premiered in Rome with a segment in which Pope Francis endorsed the concept of civil unions for same-sex couples.

Gregory has drawn notice for his relatively inclusive approach for LGBT Catholics, and said it was essential that they be treated with respect. In the interview, he opted not to urge Catholic schools and other Catholic employers to discontinue the occasional firings of employees who have a same-sex partner or spouse, saying “It’s not a one-size-fits-all situation.”

The 72-year-old Gregory was ordained in his native Chicago in 1973 and took over leadership of the Washington archdiocese last year after serving as archbishop of Atlanta since 2005.

The previous two archbishops

in Washington — Donald Wuerl and Theodore McCarrick — were implicated in the church’s long-running clergy sex-abuse scandal.

Francis in February 2019 defrocked McCarrick after a Vatican-backed investigation concluded he sexually abused minors and adults over his long career. It was the first time a cardinal had been dismissed from the priesthood for abuse.

Pope Francis also has authorized a study of the Vatican archives to determine how McCarrick had risen through the ranks despite allegations he slept with seminarians and young priests. Two years later, the Vatican still hasn’t released the report or given any timetable for when it might.

Gregory said he had no advance knowledge of the timetable.

“When it is issued, I hope it is complete, fair and transparent,” he said.

Louisiana man gets 25 years for torching three Black churches

LAFAYETTE, La. (AP) — A Louisiana man who admitted to burning down three predominantly African American churches to promote himself as a “black metal” musician was sentenced Nov. 2 to 25 years in prison and ordered to pay the churches \$2.6 million.

U.S. District Judge Robert Summerhays of Lafayette sentenced Holden Matthews, giving the 23-year-old man credit for 18 months he already spent in jail, U.S. Attorney Alexander Van Hook said in a news release.

“Matthews admitted to setting the fires because of the religious character of these buildings, in an effort to raise his profile as a ‘Black Metal’ musician by copying similar crimes committed in Norway in the 1990s,” the statement said.

Matthews had shown interest in “black metal,” an extreme subgenre of heavy metal, according to authorities. The music has been linked, in some instances, to fires at Christian churches in Norway.

Matthews told the judge, pastors and congregations of the three Baptist churches that he was deeply sorry and wanted them to know he had recovered his faith in God, The Advocate reported.

He had pleaded guilty to both state and federal charges. Summerhays said that when Matthews is sentenced in state court, that judge may order the sentence to be served at the same time as the federal one.

Matthews pleaded guilty in federal court to three counts of violating the Church Arson Prevention Act and to one of using fire to commit a federal felony.

Summerhays ordered him to pay \$1.1 million in restitution to Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church and \$970,213.30 to Greater Union Baptist Church, both in Opelousas, and \$590,246 to St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church in Port Barre.

All three were burned down over 10 days in March and April of 2019. The churches were empty at the time of the fires, and no one was injured.



Greater Union Baptist Church in Opelousas, La., after it was damaged in a fire on April 2, 2019. Credit...William Widmer for The New York Times

Although race was not considered a motive, Summerhays said, he had to consider that the crime brought the church communities back to a dark time of racial discrimination, the newspaper reported.

“These churches trace their origins to the post-Civil War Reconstruction period and, for generations, were a place for predominantly African American Christians to gather, pray, worship, and celebrate their faith,” Assistant Attorney General Eric Dreiband of the Civil Rights Division said in the news release. “The churches survived for nearly 150 years but did not survive this defendant’s warped act of hatred.”

The judge asked the Bureau of Prisons to put Matthews in a prison near his family and to ensure

that he gets substance abuse counseling and mental health treatment, KATC-TV reported.

The hearing had begun Oct. 30 but was cut short after new evidence was introduced. Clinical psychologist and Louisiana State University professor Mary Lou Kelley — a defense witness — testified that Matthews struggles with anxiety, depression and arrested social development.

Matthews pleaded guilty in state court to three state hate crime counts, two of simple arson of a religious building and one of aggravated arson of a religious building. That sentencing had been scheduled Nov. 2 but was postponed with no date set, The Advocate reported.

SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

This remains the same ...

By SHEILA P. SPENCER



This column is being written on Oct. 30. It will be submitted to the editor and will be prepared for publication. Between submission and publication, there's a lot that has happened, among them Election Day and more.

But I know three things that are true on Oct. 30, when this was written, that will be true when this is published the first week of November. No matter what the results are — God still calls us to show up, speak up and stand up — we will still need to get in trouble, good trouble. That will never change.

Show Up

We are still called to show up. Between submission and publication, the ancestors were honored when we showed up to vote. Social media timelines were filled with photos of people proudly flashing their voting stickers. People literally stood in line for hours, arriving before the polls opened and staying until they closed. Our African American ancestors paid and paved the way for the right to vote. Many of them lived out their Christian faith by advocating and sacrificing their lives so that we would have the right to vote. We are still called to show up no matter what the results are. We can never underestimate the ministry of presence. Showing up refers to our ability to remain committed to and consistent in our actions. Living in a state of multiple pandemics may affect physical but not virtual presence. Show up for spaces and places of conversation. Show up for opportunities to engage in dialogue. Show up to listen and to learn. One of the most effective ways for people to know that you are committed and care is simply when they see you are there. Show up as your best self.

Speak Up

We are still going to have the responsibility to speak up. It's not enough just to be present; we are called to speak. Proverbs 31:8-9 reminds us to "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy." Each one of us are placed in unique spaces and places where we can

make an impact. John Lewis reminded us, "When you see or hear something that is not right, not fair, not just, you have to speak up. You have to say something." Recognize that there will always be an opportunity to speak, even if your voice shakes. This is an excerpt from one of the prayers in the "Book of Uncommon Prayers" that can guide us when we hear a not right, not fair, not just, "But no I can't let those hideous words just hang in the air. So give me the courage to say something in response. Give me the wisdom to know what to say. Help me to speak the truth in love. The truth — not wielded like a weapon, but in love." No matter what the election results are, we are still called to speak up.

We are still called to show up with the ministry of presence and amplify that presence and speak up with power.

Stand Up

We are called to show up and speak up, but it is not complete until we stand up. Standing up shows that what we say is followed up by our actions. Standing up calls us to face boldly the reactions to our presence and words. Micah 6:8 reminds us that loving others includes standing up for justice and remaining connected to God. "He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you except to be just, and to love [and to diligently practice] kindness (compassion), and to walk humbly with your God [setting aside any overblown sense of importance or self-righteousness]?"

John Lewis wrote an essay shortly before his death and wanted it to be published on the day of his funeral. An excerpt: "I urge you to answer the highest calling of your heart and stand up for what you truly believe." I believe that the same message holds for us today.

We will always have to Show Up, Speak Up and Stand Up.

No matter what ... this remains the same ... Just like Jesus. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." Hebrews 13:8 Blessed to be a blessing to you, Rev. Sheila P. Spencer

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of Ananias in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. From Micah 7:19, where does God place forgiven sins? Depths of sea, Heathen hearts, Past the stars, Fiery pits
- 3. In the book of Revelation, Jesus said, "I am Alpha and ..."? Beta, Omega, Eternity, Delta
- 4. From Psalms 60:8, David said, "Moab is my ..."? Terrier, Washpot, Courier, Warrior
- 5. What was the home of Peter, Andrew and Philip? Caesarea, Assos, Sardis, Bethsaida
- 6. On which mount did King Saul die? Sinai, Moriah, Pishgah, Gilboa



ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Depths of sea; 3) Omega; 4) Washpot; 5) Bethsaida; 6) Gilboa

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The challenges are many, but still we rise

By JOY E. MASON



It's tough to start and maintain a business. Starting a business is not for the faint at heart. If you are Black in the United States, owning a business can be even tougher. There's a well-known adage that suggests hard work and determination are the primary ingredients for success. After all, look at some of our immigrant counterparts who arrived in the U.S. with very little, but within a short amount of time they managed to establish a thriving new business. However, we understand that Black people, unlike immigrants, are a marginalized minority with a long, long history of racist policies and systems that work against our success. In fact, to show just how challenging business success is specifically for Black people, here are some recent statistics from a SCORE study in August 2020 with 3,500 responses.

How would you describe your business now?

Profitable and Growing

Black-owned businesses: 8.8%

White-owned businesses: 14.7 %

Not Profitable

Black-owned businesses: 56.3%

White-owned businesses: 44.1%

How much impact has

COVID-19 infection of your staff had on your business since March 15, 2020? (% reporting large impact)

Black-owned businesses: 25.9%

White-owned businesses: 11.4%

Did you receive government funding post COVID-19?

PPP (Paycheck Protection Program)

47.8% of White-owned businesses applied, and 63.7% received the full amount.

53.4% of Black-owned businesses applied, and 20.3% received the full amount.

SBA loans

19.5% of White-owned businesses applied, and 33% received the full amount.

41.3% of Black-owned businesses applied, and

8.4% received the full amount

From these survey responses, SCORE concluded, Black-owned businesses were already struggling, but they "were more significantly disrupted by COVID-19" compared to white-owned businesses. In addition, Black-owned businesses were "more likely to seek — but less likely to receive — government funding."

This SCORE report did not provide a deeper analysis of the disparities but the disparities are stark. I want to highlight the survey results that revealed that Black-owned businesses applied for government funding that was made available to impacted businesses, but were less likely to receive funding compared to

white-owned businesses. A simple reaction to this stark contrast is to question the robustness of Black-owned businesses and their applications. A more informed reaction is to question systems, processes and potential biases embedded in both. What are Black-owned businesses to do?

I recommend three things: 1) Black-owned businesses need advocates, accomplices and allies who can demand equity in resources and funding. Oftentimes Black business owners don't have the time, resources or influential networks to advocate on their behalf. 2) Black businesses should leverage entities like

Innopower, the Indy Black Chamber, the Indy Chamber, SBA, Indiana Black Expo, Butler University's Central Indiana Small Business Development Center, the Indianapolis Urban League and others to get the support they need for certification, access to capital, infrastructure support and marketing and business development. 3) Black-owned businesses should help each other achieve robust business processes to place themselves in the best position to leverage the aforementioned resources. Too often, we are not ready for the opportunities when they come. I believe, however, this is changing. Black

leaders in Indianapolis, along with corporate allies, are starting build an ecosystem of support, which is long overdue.

The SCORE survey results confirmed what we already knew — the challenges for Black-owned businesses are many, but the history of resilience is strong. An ecosystem is building and Black-owned businesses will be ready.

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Beauty/Barber shop or Personal care

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Studio TayMo, LLC

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Beauty/Barber shop or Personal care

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Beauty/Barber shop or Personal care

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ADOPTION

NOTICE OF ADOPTIONS
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT 8
CAUSE NO.
49D08-2005-AD-017092
IN RE THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF
KATYX MUNASHE
KATSAANDE
MINOR
TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS:
You are hereby notified that a petitions for Adoption of child Katy Bree Katsande was filed in the office of the Marion County Clerk.
A final hearing in the adoption matter is scheduled for the 8th day of January 2021, at 1:30 o'clock pm.
The Petition for Adoption alleges that the consent to the adoption of the Natural mother is on file with the court. The natural father's whereabouts are unknown, has not seen or supported the child. If you are an interested person and wish to object to or consent to the adoptions, then said objections or consents should be filed fourteen (14) days prior to the above-referenced hearing date.
No oral statement made to any person relieves that person from the obligations under this Notice.
Myia A. Eldridge
Marion County Clerk

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ADOPTION

NOTICE OF ADOPTIONS
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT 8
CAUSE NO.
49D08-2005-AD-017074
IN RE THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF
ZIVA BREE KATSAANDE
MINOR
TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS:
You are hereby notified that a petitions for Adoption of child Ziva bree Katsande was filed in the office of the Marion County Clerk.
A final hearing in the adoption matter is scheduled for the 8th day of January 2021, at 1:30 o'clock pm.
The Petition for Adoption alleges that the consent to the adoption of the Natural mother is on file with the court. The natural father's whereabouts are unknown, has not seen or supported the child. If you are an interested person and wish to object to or consent to the adoptions, then said objections or consents should be filed fourteen (14) days prior to the above-referenced hearing date.
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Myia A. Eldridge
Marion County Clerk

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ADOPTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF VIGO SS:
IN THE VIGO CIRCUIT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
ADOPTION DOCKET
84C01-2009-004718
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF
X.J.
MINOR
NOTICE TO UNNAMED FATHER
The unnamed putative father of the child born to Darielle Dominique Jordan on the 23rd day of March, 2013 or the person who claims to be the father of the child born to Darielle Dominique Jordan, is notified that a petition for adoption of the child was filed in the office of the Marion County, Indiana, 33 South 3rd Street, Courthouse 1st floor, Terre Haute, IN 47807. If the putative father seeks to contest the adoption the unnamed putative father must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with I.C. 31-19-10-1 in the above named court or a paternity action under IC 31-14 within thirty (30) days after service of this notice. A hearing on this notice is not yet scheduled. If the unnamed father does not file:
(A) A motion to contest the adoption
(B) A Paternity action under IC 31-14;
within thirty (30) days after service of this notice and (2) after filing a paternity action under I.C. 31-14 fails to establish paternity. The above named court shall hear and determine the Petition for Adoption. The unnamed putative father's consent shall be irrevocably implied and the unnamed putative father loses the right to contest the adoption or the validity of the unnamed putative father's implied consent to the adoption. The unnamed putative father loses the right to establish paternity of the child under IC 31-14.

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DISSOLUTION

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COUNTY OF MARION
SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO.
49D10-2009-DN-031033
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
TAYO ISAAC AKINDOTE
PLAINTIFF
-V-
MIRANDA MARSHALL-
AKINBOTE
Defendant
ORDER
The state of Indiana to the defendants above, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is:
DISSOLUTION
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are:
UNKNOWN
and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown:
MIRANDA MARSHALL-
AKINBOTE
In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit. If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 13th day of October 2020.
Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO.
49D06-2007-DC-024208
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
WHITNEY PEREZ
Petitioner,
And,
JOSHUA ADAMS
Respondent.
NOTICE OF SUIT - SUMMONS SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is: Dissolution of Marriage.
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Respondent:
JOSHUA ADAMS
And to the following Respondent whose whereabouts are: Unknown
In addition to the above Respondent being served by this summons there may be other persons who have an interest in this lawsuit. If you do not take any action in this case after receipt of this summons, the court can make a determination regarding any of the following: divorce and child custody on or before the day of __, 20__ (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit).
Myia Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO.
49D08-2005-AD-017092
IN RE THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF
KATYX MUNASHE
KATSAANDE
MINOR
TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS:
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No oral statement made to any person relieves that person from the obligations under this Notice.
Myia A. Eldridge
Marion County Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COUNTY OF MARION
SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO.
49D10-2010-DN-034893
TANYA KAYE WINTERS
Petitioner
And
AJENA N.H. EZELL
Defendant
CAUSE NO.
49D10-2010-DN-034893
SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION ORDER
The court, having considered Petitioner's Praecipe for Service by Publication in Marion County, Indiana, and being duly advised, hereby x Grants/ Respondent X may not be served for Notice of these proceedings by publication in Marion County, IN.
SO ORDERED this 6 day of October, 2020.
Myia Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COUNTY OF MARION
SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO.
49D10-2009-DN-026751
ORDER
The court, having considered Petitioner's Praecipe for Service by Publication in Marion County, Indiana, and being duly advised, hereby Grants said request. Respondent may be served for Notice of these proceedings by publication in Marion County, IN.
SO ORDERED this 11 DAY OF AUGUST, 2020.
Myia Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE SUPERIOR CIVIL COURT OF MARION COUNTY
ROOM NO. 2 CIVIL
CAUSE NO.
49D03-2007-DN-024793
INGGEMAR SANZ
Plaintiff
-V-
DEONNA L. HARRIS
Defendant(s)
The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit binst you are is: DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE.
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: DEONNA L. HARRIS, UNKNOWN
And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: DEONNA L. HARRIS, UNKNOWN
In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit. If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 13th day of October 2020.
Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COUNTY OF MARION
SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO.
49D10-2009-DN-031033
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
TAYO ISAAC AKINDOTE
PLAINTIFF
-V-
MIRANDA MARSHALL-
AKINBOTE
Defendant
ORDER
The state of Indiana to the defendants above, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is:
DISSOLUTION
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are:
UNKNOWN
and to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown:
MIRANDA MARSHALL-
AKINBOTE
In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit. If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the day of __, 2020, the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit) and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.
Myia Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
DEMARCUS GLENN HARRIS
Petitioner,
CAUSE NO.
49C01-2008-MI-030060
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Demarcus Glenn Harris, whose mailing address is, Indianapolis, IN 46226 in Marion County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Demarcus Glenn Harris has filed a petition in the Marion County Circuit Court requesting that her name be changed to demarcus glenn harris el. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on the 9th day of October 30, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at 200 East Washington Street Room W506, City County Building at Indianapolis, IN 46204.
OR THIS MATTER MAY BE HEARD REMOTELY. PLEASE CHECK WITH THE COURT OFFICE PRIOR TO THE HEARING LOCATION.
Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
DEMARCUS GLENN HARRIS
Petitioner,
CAUSE NO.
49C01-2008-MI-030060
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Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE
TANYA KAYE WINTERS
Petitioner
CAUSE NO.
49C01-2010-MI-035497
NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Tanya Kaye Winters, filed a verified Petition for Change of Name from Tanya Kaye Winters to Tanya Bayinnah Ali. The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on January 12, 2021 at 9:00 am, which is more thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date.
Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COUNTY OF MARION
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO.
49C01-2002-MI-006246
IN RE THE HEARING OF NAME CHANGE OF
DEILO JONES,
Petitioner.
ALIAS NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, DEILO JONES, as a self-represented litigant, filed a Verified Petition For Change Of Name to Deilio Jones to Deilio PARRY BROWN.
The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on January 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written obj ections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report for hearing to THE REMOTE HEARING ON WEBEX/ ZOOM. THE COURT WILL ISATION FOR THE REMOTE HEARING.
Date October 6, 2020
Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
DOCKET NO.
49D08-2010-EU-037255
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES PARKER JOHNS, DECEASED.
Notice is hereby given that Theresa L. Donahue was appointed personal representative of the estate of Raymond Stanley Cartwright, deceased, or, the date writer below and, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court Within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death (whichever is earlier), or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated: October 22, 2020
Myia A. Eldridge, Clerk

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NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

AutoReturn will be having an abandoned vehicle auction 11/13/20 at 12:00 PM. The auction will be held at 2451 S Belmont Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46221. Viewing begins at 10:00 AM. All vehicle release prices as of 10/29/20. The following vehicles will be sold:

Year	Make	Model	VIN	Body	Amount
1999	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HR52KXH403960	4 DOOR	\$ 755.00
1997	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HP52KOVH485643	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2005	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HP54K35U282394	4 DOOR	\$ 755.00
2003	BUICK	REGAL	2G4W855K93J125880	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2003	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HR52KXH403960	4 DOOR	\$ 755.00
2007	BUICK	LUCERNE	1G4HP5721U7174077	4 DOOR	\$ 905.00
2002	BUICK	CENTURY	2G4W552J821160394	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2002	BUICK	CENTURY	2G4W552J731224295	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2002	BUICK	CENTURY	2G4W552J121169308	4 DOOR	\$ 940.00
2000	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HP54K1Y42287339	4 DOOR	\$ 705.00
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2007	BUICK	LACROSSE CX	2G4WD552871136005	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2000	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HP54K8Y4108390	4 DOOR	\$ 910.00
1989	BUICK	REGAL	2G4WB14T5K1470980	4 DOOR	\$ 705.00
2004	CADILLAC	DEVILLE	1G6KD54Y44U160409	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
2000	CADILLAC	SEVILLE	1G6KF5790J4U133657	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
1995	CADILLAC	CTS	1G6DP567650103892	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
1996	CADILLAC	SEVILLE	1G6KY5298TU827786	4 DOOR	\$ 790.00
2003	CHEVROLET	TAHOE	1GNEC13T0R3103564	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 705.00
2008	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZT58N78F105583	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2005	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 910.00
2000	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZD5UEJ8F355130	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
2000	CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1G1JC1242Y71010382	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2000	CHEVROLET	OTHER	2CNBJ13C5Y6951164	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 905.00
2002	CHEVROLET	S-10 PICK-UP	1GCGS145528121243	PICK UP	\$ 835.00
2007	CHEVROLET	EQUINOX	2CNDL23F476077245	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 755.00
2007	CHEVROLET	MONTE CARLO	2G1WJ586789402296	2 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2007	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
2005	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
2010	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WB5EK1A1219740	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
2010	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WU5814692937073	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
2010	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZC5E01AF322335	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2006	CHEVROLET	EQUINOX	2CNDL63F9661411155	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 755.00
2006	CHEVROLET	TRAIL BLAZER	2G1W1F52E2159383127	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 805.00
2002	CHEVROLET	BLAZER	1GNDT13W62K103291	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 840.00
2002	CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1G1JH52F427263526	4 DOOR	\$ 730.00
2010	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZD5EB6AF229535	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
2017	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZC5ST9HF165095	4 DOOR	\$ 812.50
2007	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 705.00
2007	CHEVROLET	MALIBU MAXX	2G1W1F52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2008	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W1F52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2012	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZC5E06CF339425	4 DOOR	\$ 920.00
2014	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WG5E37D1191599	4 DOOR	\$ 995.00
2004	CHEVROLET	TRAIL BLAZER	1GNDT13S142117289	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 755.00
1996	CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	1GNFK16R2TJ417979	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 780.00
2006	CHEVROLET	AVANACHE	1G1ZC52262K1142318	PICK UP	\$ 840.00
1993	CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	1GNFK16R2TJ417979	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 905.00
2002	CHEVROLET	ASTRO VAN	1GNDM19X2B148005	VAN	\$ 910.00
1999	CHEVROLET	ASTRO VAN	1GNDM19W8XB168896	VAN	\$ 1,880.00
2003	CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	1GNEC16ZK3J260209	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 805.00
2003	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2002	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W1F52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 860.00
1998	CHEVROLET	METRO	2C1MRR206W6712722	HATCH BACK	\$ 780.00
1998	CHEVROLET	1500-SERIES	1GCEK19R2WR109362	PICK UP	\$ 730.00
2004	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 735.00
2006	CHEVROLET	HHR	3GNDA13D96S543424	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
1998	CHEVROLET	LUMINA	2G1W152MOW9113307	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
2004	CHEVROLET	TRAIL BLAZER	1G1ZC52262K1142318	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 965.00
1996	CHEVROLET	S-10 PICK-UP	1GCGS14W3T8162965	PICK UP	\$ 2,005.00
2009	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZH57B094104989	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2006	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WF52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 705.00
2006	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1WC581969173003	4 DOOR	\$ 895.00
1995	CHEVROLET	CAMARO	2G1FF32X5K2S119240	CONVERTIBLE	\$ 755.00
2002	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W1F52E2159383127	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 840.00
2008	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W1F52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2005	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W1F52E2159383127	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2014	CHEVROLET	CRUZE	1G1PC5S8XE7962167	4 DOOR	\$ 2,092.50
2004	CHRYSLER	CONCORDE	2C3HD56GGX4H592571	4 DOOR	\$ 2,005.00
2001	CHRYSLER	TOWN-COUNTY	2C3BG5P441B1388238	VAN	\$ 755.00
2001	CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	2C3BG5P441B1388238	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 840.00
2005	CHRYSLER	TOWN-COUNTY	2C4GP54L15R425624	VAN	\$ 705.00
2013	CHRYSLER	200	1C3CCBBB5DN713990	4 DOOR	\$ 1,445.00
2012	CHRYSLER	200	1C3CCBBB5DN713990	4 DOOR	\$ 930.00
2006	CHRYSLER	TOWN-COUNTY	2A4GP54L16R824959	VAN	\$ 730.00
2012	CHRYSLER	200	1C3CCBBB5DN713990	4 DOOR	\$ 930.00
2013	CHRYSLER	200	1C3CCBBB5DN713990	4 DOOR	\$ 710.00
2012	CHRYSLER	300	2C3CCBAGC1CH283547	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
1999	CHRYSLER	TOWN-COUNTY	1C4GP54L49X9B59372	VAN	\$ 830.00
1995	DODGE	DAKOTA	1B7GG26X4SS320651	PICK UP	\$ 915.00
2008	DODGE	CHARGER	1B3LC46K18N256085	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
2007	DODGE	CHARGER	1B4GP25341B264222	4 DOOR	\$ 905.00
2001	DODGE	CHARGER	1B8GP25341B264222	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2005	DODGE	GRAND CARA	2D4GP44L95R235504	VAN	\$ 935.00
2011	DODGE	CALIBER	1B3CB5H41BD186260	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2001	DODGE	RAM	1B7HC13ZS1U243003	PICK UP	\$ 785.00
2006	DODGE	CHARGER	1B7HC13ZS1U243003	PICK UP	\$ 785.00
1996	DODGE	CHARGER	2B4GP54R67H311025	4 DOOR	\$ 705.00
2000	DODGE	INTREPID	2B3HD56JJYH111025	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
1998	DODGE	DAKOTA	1B7GG22Y8W5S19822	PICK UP	\$ 855.00
2010	DODGE	CHARGER	2B3CA3CVOAH311591	4 DOOR	\$ 871.25
2002	DODGE	STRATUS	1B3EL46X94N103050	4 DOOR	\$ 730.00
2005	DODGE	MAGNUM	2D4FV482V5E4759302	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 810.00
2005	DODGE	GRAND CARA	2D4GP44L75R290436	VAN	\$ 810.00
2005	FORD	CROWN VICT	2FAFP71W25X161148	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2005	FORD	FIVE HUNDRED	1FAFP251XSG185116	4 DOOR	\$ 930.00
2001	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP53J6U1G162067	4 DOOR	\$ 755.00
2013	FORD	FUSION	3FA6P0HFXDR367774	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2007	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP53J3U4101266	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2007	FORD	FOCUS	1FAFP31N87W278319	HATCH BACK	\$ 730.00
2006	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP53J16A183404	4 DOOR	\$ 705.00
2006	FORD	FREESTAR	2FMZA511696B416219	VAN	\$ 780.00
2003	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP52UX3A258176	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
2002	FORD	FIESTYLE	1FMDU77XK177GA27402	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 785.00
2013	FORD	FOCUS	1FAFP53J3U4101266	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2003	FORD	EXPLORER	1FMEU7EEBAU198854	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 840.00
2014	FORD	FUSION	3FA6P0H78DR365268	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2004	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP53J24A129865	4 DOOR	\$ 755.00
2006	FORD	CROWN VICT	2FAFP71W26X166322	4 DOOR	\$ 785.00
2005	FORD	FOCUS	1FMYU931W1214030	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 775.00
2000	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP53J3U4101266	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2000	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP5557YA254684	4 DOOR	\$ 865.00
2000	FORD	EXPEDITION	1FMRU1668YLB4411	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
2001	FORD	EXPLORER	1FMZU77XK177GAC589	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 705.00
1996	FORD	WINDSTAR	2FMDA5141TBC526170	VAN	\$ 855.00
2000	FORD	EXPEDITION	1FMRU1668YLB4411	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 705.00
1998	FORD	EXPEDITION	1FMZU77XK177GAC589	PICK UP	\$ 705.00
2005	FORD	F150	1FTFW1450K5E69447	PICK UP	\$ 910.00
2008	FORD	F150	1FTFR12278K882483	PICK UP	\$ 1,655.00
2002	FORD	F150	1FTFR17232NCO7197	PICK UP	\$ 705.00
2002	FORD	F150	1FTRX18192NA45743	PICK UP	\$ 785.00
2002	FORD	EXPLORER	1FMRU1668YLB4411	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 860.00
1998	FORD	TAURUS	1FAFP53J3U4101266	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2003	FORD	EXPEDITION	1FMZU77XK177GAC589	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 830.00
2011	FORD	TAURUS	1FAHP2F0W0BG159381	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
1997	FORD	EXPLORER	1FMDU32V2UB96424	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 785.00
2011	GMC	TERRAIN	2CTFLVC6T7B6237830	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
1992	GMC	ENVOY	1GK1H13S0321137136	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 855.00
1994	GMC	SINTRA	1GTEC14K6R2552531	PICK UP	\$ 69.25
2004	GMC	ENVOY XL	1GKET16S346210403	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 780.00
2004	GMC	ENVOY	1GKET12S846199520	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 780.00
2003	HONDA	CIVIC	1JHME59563K5032477	4 DOOR	\$ 890.00
2007	HONDA	CRV	1JHLE48727C017542	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 835.00
2004	HONDA	ACCORD	1HGC7M1865W0190329	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
2002	HONDA	CIVIC	1HGC7M1865W0190329	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
2002	HONDA	ELEMENT	1HGE2M2902L074278	2 DOOR	\$ 1,605.00
2003	HONDA	CIVIC	5J6YH28583L014264	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 755.00
2002	HONDA	CIVIC	2HGES16532C5H86119	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2000	HONDA	CIVIC	2HGEG6J615YH567299	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
2002	HONDA	CIVIC	1X9TF276F6E924187	4 DOOR	\$ 920.00
2007	HONDA	CIVIC	1HGFA1652L7136155	4 DOOR	\$ 1,320.00
2008	HONDA	ACCORD	1HGC522878A013311	2 DOOR	\$ 810.00
2006	HONDA	CIVIC	2HGFG1287H512522	2 DOOR	\$ 892.50
2009	HONDA	CIVIC	2HGFA169XH4343248	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
1999	HONDA	CIVIC	1HGEJ67XKL055205	4 DOOR	\$ 890.00
2004	HONDA	CRV	1H2C527044M005793	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 780.00
2001	HONDA	CRV	1JHLD18471C033783	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 2,005.00
2003	HONDA	ELANTRA	KMHND45D83U690997	4 DOOR	\$ 960.00
2012	HONDA	ELANTRA	KMHND44E5CU352138	4 DOOR	\$ 995.00
2002	INFINITI	Q45	JNKBF01A92M007697	4 DOOR	\$ 880.00
1994	JEEP	GRAND CHER	1J4GZ78Y8RC128838	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
2004	JEEP	GRAND CHER	1J4GW48S9Q428944	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 880.00
2003	JEEP	LIBERTY	1J4GL48K43W726801	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 55.00
2000	JEEP	GRAND CHER	1J4GW48S7YC131487	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 1,035.00
2005	JEEP	GRAND CHER	1J4HR58N85C530772	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 730.00
2006	KAWASAKI	OTHER	JKAEXEA136A011108	MOTORCYCLE	\$ 680.00
2006	KIA	SPECTRA	KNAFE121365351498	4 DOOR	\$ 780.00
2017	KIA	SPORTAGE	KNADN4A39D6403711	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2011	KIA	SPORTR	KNDPB3A21B7060888	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 2,005.00
2013	KIA	FORTE	KNAFU5A20D5667345	4 DOOR	\$ 930.00
2011	LINCOLN	LS	1LN1HM86521Y631314	4 DOOR	\$ 735.00
2005	LINCOLN	TOWN CAR	1LN1HM81W25Y647531	4 DOOR	\$ 755.00
2008	MAZDA	CX-7	1YVHP8001185M381123	4 DOOR	\$ 830.00
2004	MAZDA	TRIBUTE	1J3M3P293070151666	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 780.00
1976	MERCEDES	OTHER	4F2CZ94184KM07214	SPORTS UTILITY	\$ 780.00
2007	MERCEDES	C-CLASS	10704412033117	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
2007	MERCEDES	C-CLASS	WDBRF92H37F914505	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
2001	MERCEDES	E-CLASS	WDBJF70J41X060083	4 DOOR	\$ 805.00
1999	MERCEDES	SABLE	1MEFM505X5A651142	4 DOOR	\$ 835.00
2003	MITSUBISHI	CLIPSE	1G3AE45G3E1836197	CONVERTIBLE	\$ 780.00
2006	NISSAN	CENTRA	1G8S1E1D86L534864	4 DOOR	\$ 855.00
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1994	NISSAN	ALTIMA			

Colts pounce on the Lions



Indianapolis Colts linebacker Darius Leonard (53) sacks Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford (9) and forces a fumble during the Colts' 41-21 win Nov. 1 in Detroit. Leonard led the team with seven tackles in his first game back from an injury. (Photos/Jeff Brown)



The Colts defense celebrates a pick-six by cornerback Kenny Moore, whose interception in the fourth quarter put the game out of reach.



Colts wide receiver T.Y. Hilton (13) looks up field after one of his two receptions. Hilton finished with nine receiving yards and caught both of his targets from quarterback Philip Rivers.

Volleyball and the Murrays — ‘It’s been a really big part of our lives’

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Gene Murray was always an athlete. He played football at Butler University in the early ‘90s and joined an adult travel softball team after college. But coaching high school volleyball? He had to start from scratch with that one.

Murray was an administrator at Tindley Accelerated Schools in 2012 when he helped start the volleyball program. The only problem was they couldn’t find a coach. Murray found a teacher with some coaching experience who said she would do it as long as he was the assistant coach.

Then came the YouTube videos and coaching clinics. He paid attention to how his oldest daughter, Lauren, and her teams played to learn the rules first and then the strategy.

The Murrays are a volleyball family now.

Gene coached at Tindley for six years and North Central High School for two years. He’s currently the head coach of the freshman team at Cathedral High School, his alma mater, and coaches a 13-year-old team at Rev Volleyball Academy. Lauren coaches an 18-year-old team at Rev and is an assistant at DePauw University. She coached with her dad at Cathedral and won three sectional championships as a player at Tindley.

“He has taught me a lot about the game,” Lauren said of coaching with her dad. “Just to be able to be alongside him learning, even though I’m still coaching, is a big thing.”

The Murrays have come a long way in volleyball. Back when Gene was just trying to learn some of the basics to help get Tindley’s program going, Lauren had been playing for a few years at SportZone and Team Indiana.

Sydney, Murray’s middle daughter, plays at North Central, where she’s a senior, and said she has some potential college offers on the way. London, the youngest, is in seventh grade and plays volleyball. Both also play at Rev.

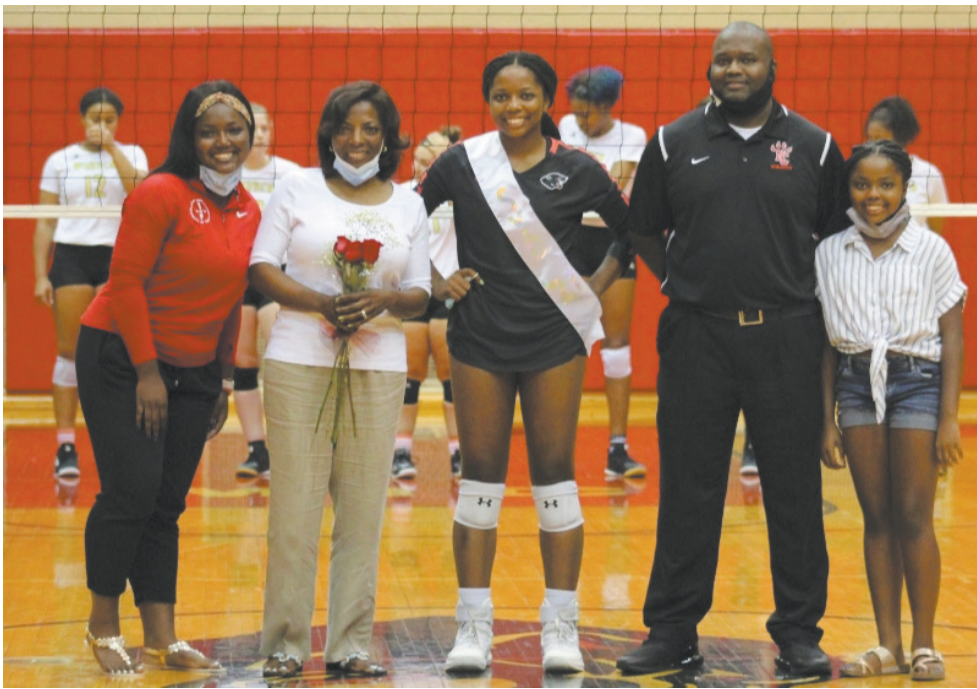
“It’s been a really big part of our lives,” Sydney said.

That passion runs through the family now. Gene has a reputation for being an intense coach, and Sydney said that’s rubbed off on her. When her volleyball team lost its first game at SportZone when she was 7, her mom, Alicia, said she tried consoling Sydney and told her it would be OK.

“She yelled back at me, ‘It’s not OK!’” Alicia said, something the family still laughs about.

Her dad coaches with that same energy, Sydney said.

“He doesn’t take somebody not giving 100%,” she said. “He’s gonna push you to do your best every single time in practice and in games.”



L-R: Lauren, Alicia, Sydney, Gene and London Murray pose in front of a volleyball net at Sydney’s senior night at North Central High School. (Photo provided)

Volleyball has been a gift in many ways for the Murrays, but it makes for some stressful times too. Alicia said there are some weekends when she’s with Sydney in Kansas, Gene and Lauren are coaching in St. Louis, and London relies on her grandparents to get her to a tournament at home.

Alicia said there were times she regretted that everyone took the vol-

leyball route, but now she sees how her daughters and husband have thrived.

“I think the greatest enjoyment I’ve found over the years is watching them grow,” she said.

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Arsenal Tech lost its sectional game to Perry Meridian, 35-0, on Oct. 30. The Titans were driving down the field late in the first half when Perry Meridian intercepted a deep pass in the end zone and returned it for a touchdown as time expired. Arsenal Tech finished the season at 2-7. (Photos/Tyler Fenwick)

New volleyball academy aims to up the standard

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The players and coaches at Rev Volleyball Academy are gearing up for their first season in what has become a race among clubs to offer the best development and college exposure.

From data analytics to video streaming to recruiting coordinators who work with athletes and their families, Rev’s message to those looking for a club home is that their coaches and leaders can help elevate the volleyball standard in Central Indiana.

At the same time, Carlos Cruz, a club director from Puerto Rico with two decades of coaching experience, said he doesn’t want the club to get too big. Quality is

better than quantity, Cruz said, and he wants a tight-knit group of people at Rev.

The academy also has a diversity statement.

“Our environment is built on trust, respect, positivity, and transformational leadership,” the statement reads, “which is the key to creating real change.”

Almost half of Rev’s coaches are non-white, and Cruz said he wants people to know diversity is important in sports academies.

Max Siegel, who owns Rev Racing and is CEO of USA Track & Field, is president of Rev Volleyball Academy.

Gene Murray, head coach of the 13-year-old 1s team, said this is a good opportunity for him to grow as a coach. Murray found his way

into coaching volleyball in 2012 when he was an administrator at Tindley Accelerated Schools and helped start the volleyball program. He taught himself the basics first and then learned more. His three daughters now play or coach volleyball — his oldest also coaches at Rev, and his two youngest play there.

“It’s giving girls in Indianapolis another avenue to really compete at a high level,” he said.

Tryouts for 14-and-under teams are over, but 15-and-older teams start Nov. 8 at Rev Volleyball Academy, which is housed at Incrediplex, 6002 Sunnyside Road.

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