

Poverty: 'It takes a toll'

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Let him tell it, Chris Busbee is sure he could've gone pro in football or basketball, maybe both. Instead, Busbee was staring down the barrel of real life before he even graduated from Ben Davis High School. Some told him college was out of the question with three children, and he believed them. That's one of his only regrets.

Now a father of five, Busbee, 25, makes \$13.50 an hour as a chef at Chili's and pays about \$900 a month in child support. It was closer to \$450, but he's behind. He had a better job at a warehouse before but was laid off because of the pandemic.

"It's hectic," Busbee said, and the pandemic has only made things worse. "Every day you have to wonder what's about to happen. Head gotta be on the swivel."

Busbee loves his children — no regrets there — and gets them during the summer. No excuses either, he said, because that won't help anyone.

Rent is \$625 a month at his two-bedroom, one-bath duplex by Riverside Park, though some months Busbee's faced with the choice of paying rent or keeping the utilities from getting shut off. His landlord is lenient enough, so utility payments it is.

"It takes a toll on you," he said. "It's a lot of days, sometimes you don't want to leave the house."

In parts of Indianapolis where African



Chris Busbee sits in the living room at his home near Riverside Park on the west side. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

Americans make up most of the population — Riverside, Martindale-Brightwood, Arlington Woods, etc. — the poverty rate reaches as high as 40%, according to data from Indy Vitals. Nationally, the poverty rate for Black Americans has declined steadily to just under 19%, though that's still twice that of Asian and white people.

Where poverty is prevalent, so are other problems.

A faulty system

Poverty and crime often go hand-in-hand. According to Esri, a software that collects crime data internationally,



Verdell Berry stands in a hallway at Edna Martin Christian Center, where she goes to get her high school diploma. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

people living in poverty in the United States are more than twice as likely to be the victim of a violent crime. Further, someone living in poverty is more likely to commit certain crimes, such as burglary, because their basic needs are not being met.

Even for crimes, such as marijuana possession, with less disparities between high- and low-income individuals, however, living in poverty increases one's risk of getting wrapped up in the criminal justice system.

Researcher John Rowling found lower-income neigh-

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Breaking the cycle: Why poverty can be a closed loop with few chances for escape

BY FARAH YOUSRY

In a big ballroom at Indiana University Southeast, sociologist Melissa Fry and her colleagues arranged tables with signs on them around the perimeter. Each station represented a certain service, including a school, a bank, a social services office, a grocery store and a hospital.

"But then there's also like a payday loan kind of place. There's also a pawn shop," said Fry, the director of Applied Research and Education Center at IU Southeast.

After setting up, Fry and her colleagues recruited participants to take part in a "poverty simulation." Their goal was to inspire empathy, sensitize service providers and demonstrate the daily stresses facing people living in poverty.

The stations were staffed by Hoosiers living in poverty day in and day out. One week in real

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Cash bail system creates inequities for those living in poverty

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In 2016, Hamilton County ended cash bail and instead did a "risk assessment" for each case. After evaluation in 2018, officials said the program kept low-risk offenders out of jail, and kept high-risk offenders locked up until trial.

State Sen. Karen Tallian is working to pass a statewide ban on cash bail for misdemeanor charges through Senate Bill 222. The bill, authored by Tallian, would not apply to someone with a felony record or someone who is accused of putting someone else in danger, such as driving under the influence.

Cash bail is an issue affecting people nationwide.

Roughly 29% of people sitting in jail nationwide have not been convicted, according to researchers at Prison Policy Initiative. An overwhelming percent are people of color, with Black Americans making up 43% of detainees awaiting trial. Some

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Sen. Karen Tallian authored a bill to eliminate cash bail for those charged with a misdemeanor. (Photo provided by Sen. Tallian's office.)

When philanthropy takes the lead on fixing poverty

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LaToya Pitts has been CEO of Christamore House for about 2 1/2 years, enough time to learn expectations for what the west side community center can do to help people are sometimes unrealistic.

In general, it's not the community that sets expectations too high, Pitts said. It's the large funders.

Here's how: Christamore House tells the funder it can help a certain amount of people with a certain amount of money. Then the funder comes back with a lower dollar amount but still expects Christamore House to serve the same number of people.

The funders, in other words, want organizations like Christamore House to stretch each dollar as far as possible — sometimes past what's possible.



"They think they know how much a program should cost," Pitts said.

That can be a costly compromise considering America is heavily reliant on philanthropy to provide the basics for people in need. Christamore House, for example, gave out \$19,638 in 2019 for living costs such as rent and utilities, according to tax filings.

"Philanthropy has a place," Pitts said, "but we sometimes hold big corporations to a very high standard for what they should be standing for because our state and city hasn't done a great job of using resources to make sure people's basic needs are met."

Philanthropists and those in the nonprofit sector point to the city's recent rent assistance program as a success. The federal government sent COVID-19 relief funds to Indianapolis, which dedicated a portion to rent assistance. The city then relied on

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A gravel alley between Brouse and Hillside avenues in Martindale-Brightwood. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

Low-income residents, neighborhoods face long history of neglect

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Sometimes it comes at 2 in the morning. Sometimes it's a few hours later at 5 a.m. or 5:30 a.m. Either way, Leslie House can be sure the garbage trucks that show up three times a week will wake her up.

House lives in an apartment on North Meridian Street near 38th Street. She's next to a commercial trash pickup site at another apartment building to her south.

The commercial designation — as opposed to residential — is important because the Department of Public Works (DPW) doesn't deal directly with commercial sites. That's up to the individual business and, in this case, Republic Services. (City ordinance considers any site with more than four units as commercial.)

DPW contracts stipulate residential trash can be collected after 7 a.m., according to a department spokesperson.

House, 46, moved into her apartment in 2012 and said she's complained to Republic so many times that the company lists her as the account manager for the other apartment building.

A representative for Republic said the company does not provide collection logs to show when drivers are at certain stops, and DPW doesn't track that information for Republic drivers. Republic did not respond to an interview request or requests for other information.

House said she's talked to some drivers and has been up in the middle of the night to record them on her phone, but it doesn't seem to make a difference. The earliest she remembers a truck showing up is 1:30 a.m.

"I've taken to where I just put ear plugs in my ears and I put on my sound machine to block out the noise," she said.

House is not alone in feeling dis-

respected when it comes to public services in low-income neighborhoods that are mostly African American. That's been the norm for decades, and even cities that want to catch up are behind.

A little less than two miles southeast of where House lives, in a section of Martindale-Brightwood, the city recently announced a three-year investment of \$3.5 million that is focused on homeownership but will also include upgrades for sidewalks, porches and siding.

James Wilson, founder of Circle Up Indy, said the Lift Indy program should be considered a starting point for investment in the neighborhood — so long as it truly benefits people who are currently there.

"Overall, our community has been overlooked," he said.

Some issues — potholes, for example — are ubiquitous, but Wilson and others who live and work in low-income neighborhoods feel their slice of the city is last in line. The cracks in the sidewalk get bigger; the potholes get deeper.

It seems to be an understood part of life in a city that the low-income neighborhoods will have worse roads, sidewalks, drainage and so on, and the problem is not unique to Indianapolis. In Oakland, California, an analysis from the city showed its three lowest-income areas also had the largest share of streets in poor condition.

Even long histories of resilience don't ward against chips in the collective pride of a community that feels neglected.

"There is no pride," Wilson said.

"There is no hope, and there is no value. You deprecate the feelings of pride to try to get by."

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community centers to administer the program because those organizations already have relationships with their community.

Some also look at the government's response to COVID-19 and see lessons on how to approach anti-poverty work in a post-pandemic world.

Shannon Buckingham, vice president of communications at the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, said the government should make the recent child tax credit expansion permanent, along with adding more generous tax credits to make coverage in the Affordable Care Act marketplaces more affordable.

The recently passed American Rescue Plan, which included a \$1,400 direct payment, will help millions of people, Buckingham said in a statement, but temporary fixes won't be enough.

"There's more to do to rebuild our economy so it works for everyone," she said.

One of the downfalls of America's approach to poverty is many programs are means tested and baked into the tax code in the form of credits. That means some people inevitably miss out on help they qualify for.

That also means the onus is on non-profits and other organizations to make sure people know what help is available and how to get it.

Ann Murtlow, president and CEO of United Way of Central Indiana (UWCI), said the state's 211 service has been helpful on that front since people can call with a variety of questions — from COVID-19 help to tax assistance — and end up at the right place.

For its part, UWCI invested \$6.9 million in basic needs initiatives in fiscal year 2019-20, according to the organization's annual report.

"There's no quick fix to poverty," Murtlow said. "We're looking at not only solving immediate problems that usually involve basic needs but also longer-term improvements in life through better employment for adults, higher wage earnings, quality education."

Still, Murtlow believes the country's current approach can meaningfully reduce poverty.

"If I didn't think so, I wouldn't be in the business," she said.

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borhoods, particularly predominately Black low-income areas, are more policed than wealthier communities. In some cases, police stops in low-income neighborhoods occur 10 times the rate than in upper- or middle-class neighborhoods.

Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears said income also impacts representation in court — including if they’re able to afford a quality legal team — and can often determine whether a person is prosecuted or not.

“A lot of prosecutors are using a faulty system,” Mears said. “A case-by-case approach is best when you’re deciding who should be eligible for bail and who needs to remain in jail.”

And in Indiana, prison is big business. As of 2019, 15% of Indiana prisons are private, meaning the facilities are operated by a third-party company and receive a stipend from the government based on the number of inmates it houses. According to prisonpolicy.org, Indiana’s incarceration rate is greater than the national average, and more than five times higher than the United Kingdom. Of the 25,876 people in state prison, 37.5% are people of color, with Black Hoosiers being incarcerated at almost five times the rate of white residents.

‘I want to get out of this environment’

Look at a map that shows where the poorest neighborhoods of a city are, and it’s a good bet you can also figure out which neighborhoods face higher crime rates, worse health outcomes, lower educational attainment and so on.

Verdell Berry is familiar with the cycle. She lives near 16th Street and Sherman Drive in a neighborhood where more than a third of homes are housing-cost burdened and the poverty rate is 34%, according to Indy Vitals. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, housing-cost burden means at least 30% of household income goes toward the cost of housing.

Exacerbating issues related to poverty is the fact that poverty has become more concentrated recently, according to analyses from the Brookings Institution, which found the number of census tracts with a poverty rate of at least 40% climbed nearly 75% in the first 12 years of this century.

Berry, 42, rents a duplex, has two children and goes to Edna Martin Christian

Center, where she’s working toward her high school diploma.

“I want to be able to get out of this environment and try to get into better housing,” she said.

Berry still sees hope, though. She’s four months into getting her diploma and wants to train people in customer service skills. The key to succeeding in an environment that makes it difficult, she said, is for people and organizations to rely on each other.

Upholding the pipeline

We often think of poverty as an adult situation — paying bills, working enough hours to make ends meet. However, children aren’t immune to the effects of poverty. A lack of access to food and resources not only impact a child’s grades, but their futures as well.

Studies conducted by FutureEd, a think tank based at Georgetown University, found economically disadvantaged students have lower levels of academic achievement than their peers, as well as fewer opportunities.

Students in low-income schools have less access to accelerated programs and are significantly less likely to be offered courses such as calculus and physics compared to students in wealthier schools, according to the Indiana Department of Education.

Further, schools in neighborhoods with a high concentration of low-income households are less likely to get the resources they need to help students achieve. These neighborhoods typically have less local tax revenue to funnel into education.

A lack of academic success can lead to cyclical poverty — a lower level of education can limit jobs and opportunity to garner economic security. However, the level of education one receives can also impact experiences with the criminal justice system.

A 2018 study from the Bureau of Justice found 80% of men in state or federal prisons around the country do not have a high school diploma.

Breanca Merritt, chief health equity officer for the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, said having “realistic discussions” with students about their post-academic life can help decrease the “school-to-prison pipeline.” Essentially, if children and teenagers feel they have opportunities to succeed, they are more likely to stay in school. Career centers, where students can be

trained in programs such as cosmetology and culinary arts, offer certification so students can be ready to work upon graduation.

However, a proposed state budget approved in February by the Indiana House of Representatives would cut funding for many career centers, potentially leaving thousands of Hoosier students without programs that could keep them in school.

‘A child not having access to clean air and water is violence’

Beyond lack of food access and shelter, people living in poverty are also less likely to have access to clean air and water. In Indianapolis, environmental issues are worsened by practices such as coal ash contamination and factory farms throughout the state. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ranked Indianapolis as the fifth worst city in the United States for air quality.

On March 15, members of the Poor People’s Campaign — a nonpartisan group advocating for the rights of poor people in Indiana — gathered at the Statehouse to bring attention to issues Indiana residents living in poverty face, including environmental injustice.

Rev. Fatima Yakabu-Madus of Christ Church Cathedral, a member of the Poor People’s Campaign, said poor Hoosiers have been “subjected to ecological devastation” for far too long. Yakabu-Madus called on Gov. Eric Holcomb and the Indiana General Assembly to follow guidance from the Hoosier Environmental Council and work to get the state’s air and water quality up to the EPA’s recommendations. Currently, Marion County’s air pollution levels are 19.3% above the EPA standard.

A 2018 study from the Urban Environment and Social Inclusion Index found that low-income neighborhoods around the country are more likely to “bear a disproportionate share of environmental burdens,” including unsanitary water supplies and living conditions.

In Indianapolis, an outdated sewage system and heavy rainfall often lead to sewage being released into neighborhoods before it reaches a sewage treatment facility. While Citizens Energy Group is working on a solution in the form of a \$2 billion underground tunnel project, neighborhoods most

affected by this sewage overflow are predominately Black and lower income. The current sewer system can overflow over 60 times a year, leaving residents susceptible to E. Coli and salmonella.

“A child not having access to clean air and water is violence,” Yakabu-Madus said.

‘Within capitalism, there’s a lot that’s possible’

A goal as expansive as eliminating poverty — or at least making it so no one stays in poverty — predictably comes with a plethora of ideas. Raise wages, nationalize health care, provide a basic income, increase funding for neighborhood centers, implement a job guarantee, cancel student loan and medical debt, and the list goes on.

The bad news: Capitalism requires a class of have-nots, and economic inequality — whether measured by income or wealth — continues to widen in America.

The better news: America doesn’t lack the resources to help people.

“Within capitalism, there’s a lot that’s possible,” said Derek Ford, a member of the local Party for Socialism and Liberation.

What most seem to agree on is the country’s current approach to poverty — limited direct involvement from government with an emphasis instead on philanthropy — is inadequate.

“Philanthropy has a place,” said La’Toya Pitts, CEO of Christamore House, a neighborhood center on the west side, “but ... our state and city hasn’t done a great job of using resources to make sure people’s basic needs are met.”

The solutions may not have to be as complicated as it seems. ODI, a global think tank, analyzed data from 30 countries that have adopted a cash transfer program — giving people money — and concluded such programs not only reduce poverty, but also raise education attendance and create more economic independence.

“One of the clearest results to emerge from this review,” the authors wrote, “is just how powerful a policy instrument cash transfers can be.”

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Poverty impacts education possibilities

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In junior high, Kyerra King started struggling in math. In King’s classroom of over 30 students, the teacher couldn’t offer individual help for each student, and her family couldn’t afford tutoring.

She grew up in a low-income community, where it wasn’t uncommon for teenagers to work to assist their families, as she did. At 16, she started working to help her mom support the household, which included three younger siblings. Her grades began to slip as she took on more shifts and put school on the backburner.

Unlike many of her high school friends, King went to college, where she realized how much preparation she lacked compared to her more affluent peers, who had access to tutors and SAT prep courses.

“I worked really hard to get to where I am now,” King, 25, said. “But really, I didn’t work any harder than most of my friends. I just got lucky.”

A study conducted by Georgetown University think tank FutureEd found one-third of school districts nationwide have schools with concentrated poverty, meaning an area where the poverty rate is 40% or higher. A higher concentration of poverty — which disproportionately impacts communities of color — means fewer local tax dollars go to area schools, leaving students with outdated textbooks and more crowded classrooms, fewer technologies for adaptive learning and a lack of opportunities for tutoring and early-childhood education.

FutureEd researcher Nicole Katz found economically disadvantaged students have lower levels of academic achievement than their peers, a trend that has been consistent for the past 50 years.

According to the Indiana Department of Education, even the highest-achieving low-income students fare worse in school than their wealthier peers, and that begins in early elementary school.

Just 56% of low-income first grade students who were in the top quartile of their class were in the same position by the fifth grade, compared to 69% of higher income students.

It isn’t just a lack of resources within a school causing low-income students to fall behind. Poverty’s all-encompassing effects play a role in how children learn.

According to Indy Hunger Network, roughly 280,000 Hoosier children lack reliable access to food. Indy Hunger Network reports children who are hungry are more likely to repeat a grade in elementary school, to be hospitalized, experience developmental impairments in areas such as language or motor skills, have more social and behavioral problem, all of which impact their overall education.



Rev. Fatima Yakubu-Madus of Christ Church Cathedral of the Poor People’s Campaign addressed a rally in the Statehouse March 15 to discuss the thousands of Hoosier children struggling with hunger and the impacts it has on their education and futures. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

While an inadequate education can lead to cyclical poverty via a lack of employment options — 23% percent of Americans living under the poverty line have no high school diploma, and 11% have a high school diploma or an equivalent — the “school-to-prison pipeline” makes it difficult for disadvantaged students to stay out of the criminal justice system.

The “pipeline” describes a system where students from marginalized and low-income backgrounds disproportionately become incarcerated as young adults. In many cases, part of the problem is schools focus on preparing every student for college, despite that not being the right — or realistic — choice for every student. In addition, behavioral issues can lead to labeling a student, which follows the student throughout their education career.

Breanca Merritt, chief health equity officer for the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, said the pipeline and surrounding issues have to be addressed well before children start thinking about college.

“Decades of research show the earlier you start kids on a particular path, the more likely it is that they go to college,” Merritt said. “We need to have conversations about alternatives, though. ... Our current

infrastructure doesn’t allow kids on the pipeline to get off that track.”

A study from the Brookings Institution found low-income students are suspended more often and for longer periods than more affluent students. For Black children, these disparities start in preschool. A Columbia University study found 48% of preschool students who are suspended more than once are Black. The study found Black and low-income children are typically disciplined more severely than their peers, typically for “disrespectful” behavior.

These suspensions can lead to disengagement and expulsion, which gives children more idle time for high-risk and criminal activities and lack of job opportunities.

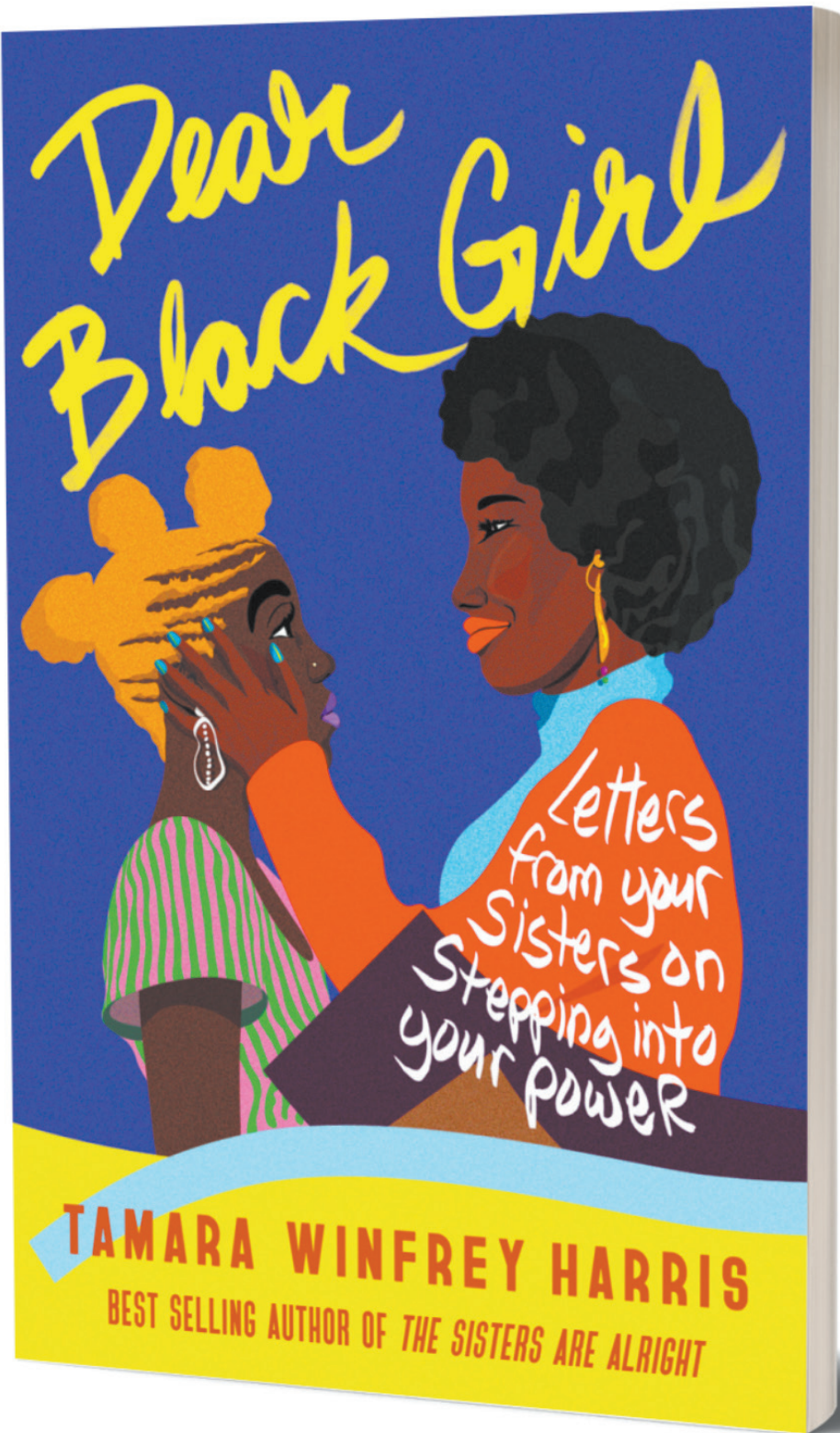
A 2018 Bureau of Justice study found 80% of men in state or federal prisons around the country do not have a high school diploma.

“When poor kids never really get a chance, they have to do what they feel like they gotta do to survive,” King said.

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life equaled 15 minutes in the simulation.

Shocking reality
“At the end of the simulation, [participants] join the group for a debrief discussion,” Fry said. “And sometimes you’ll have participants say, ‘Well, I don’t think it’s really like that.’”
At this point, some low-income volunteers explained to the participants that it is actually a lot harder than the simulation suggests. According to Fry, participants walked away with similar feelings — anxiety, stress, anger and an overwhelming feeling that, from the get-go, the cards were stacked against them.

The exercise at IU Southeast was a snapshot of what more than 700,000 Hoosiers living in poverty face each day. Researchers point to systemic issues that make it difficult for many of the state’s poor to break the cycle of poverty.

Nutrition and child care: Poverty deters essential businesses

According to a 2019 SAVI study, 80,000 Indianapolis residents live in zones of concentrated poverty, areas where the poverty rate is at least 40%. Higher rates of poverty in a neighborhood deter many essential businesses from opening, according to SAVI analysts.
Unai Miguel Andres, a research analyst at SAVI, put it this way: “Capitalism is great for the economy, but not necessarily for the human need.”

Andres gave “food deserts” as an example of how poor neighborhoods fare in a capitalist system. Food deserts are areas where there is little access to healthy food options because of the absence of grocery stores. Neighborhoods that qualify as food deserts are also low-income ones, according to the United States Department of Agriculture definition.

“Grocery stores are businesses that want to make profit,” Andres said. “If they see that by opening in a certain neighborhood they won’t turn in enough profit, they just won’t open there.”

He said high speed broadband technology, and other services that require

an investment by private corporations, are also subject to profit motives.
Research shows that the care children receive in the first years of life is crucial to their long-term well-being and future success. Fry of IU Southeast said child care services follow a similar pattern in many of Indiana’s poorest neighborhoods. She has studied some of the state’s poorest neighborhoods and found that there is a dearth of such essential services.
“Quality child care in low-income markets is almost impossible, because the market doesn’t work. There’s no effective demand for high quality care because people can’t pay enough for high quality care,” Fry said.

Public education: The great equalizer or a tool to further segregation?

Education is one of the tools that can break the cycle of poverty, according to Zahava Stadler, special assistant for state funding and policy at the Education Trust.
But she says studies show things are not looking up when it comes to educating the poorest in a city like Indianapolis.

“Our education system has a long way to go before it fulfills the promise of being the great equalizer,” Stadler said. “Because too much about the structural nature of our school funding system just reinforces and entrenches existing inequalities in our communities.”

The general idea that many have on school funding is that it comes from property taxes, which Stadler says is partially true. But there is also a complex formula that most states use to allocate funding based on the need of each school. States look at how much property tax each school district is able to generate and then give the districts more money to reach funding needs. While it’s not a perfect process and has loopholes, it largely works in many states, Stadler said.

“They basically try and rebalance things to a degree so that local wealth doesn’t become destiny for school districts,” she said.

But that’s not how it works in Indiana. “Because Indiana doesn’t do step two,” Stadler said. “What they do is they say,

‘OK, here’s your funding target. We use our formula to determine the district’s funding target, and then we give you that money. ‘So there’s no accounting for local wealth. And what happens is that everybody agrees on the ground that the money the state gives them is not enough.”

This leaves poor neighborhoods with low property values, and in return, meager property tax amounts for under-funded and under-resourced public schools.

Low reimbursement for medical practices

According to the Economic Policy Institute, high concentration of poverty in a neighborhood leads to disparities and inequality across the board. Health care is no exception.

As many as 9% of Hoosiers are uninsured — making them unable to afford health care. In addition, poor neighborhoods have higher rates of residents who depend on Medicaid and Medicare. “The reality is that for doctors offices, it’s hard to make a practice work on just Medicare, Medicaid, because the reimbursement rate is so low,” Fry of IU said. “That’s the capitalism part, right?”

Stalled integration efforts

One way to ensure that poor Hoosiers — children and adults alike — are not destined to depend on subpar public services, such as education and health care, is integration.

“If you spread individuals with lower purchasing power within neighborhoods in combination with people that have access to more capital or more money to be able to purchase products or services, that means the services are going to be more spread out,” Andres of SAVI said.

Federal programs aiming to make neighborhoods less segregated can be a step in the right direction, but they do not always work as expected.

For example, a program that provides housing vouchers or rental assistance to low-income people instead of offering housing units — to allow them to seek housing in mixed income neighborhoods—seems to be stalling for many reasons, Fry of IU Southeast said.

According to Fry, one problem facing

some poor residents using these housing assistance programs is feeling like social pariahs in wealthier areas. Racism against Black residents deters many from relocating to more prosperous, usually predominantly white, neighborhoods.

“The other problem we actually see in southern Indiana is that a lot of landlords don’t want to take those vouchers for a couple of reasons,” Fry said. “The federal government has placed pretty significant standards on property owners in terms of how they have to maintain the apartments, which obviously should be safe, but some of the requirements are really onerous, and making it difficult for landlords to want to participate.”

She said these vouchers can be ineffective if poor residents can’t find a place to use them.

Chain reaction

A 2015 study by the IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health and SAVI shows that zip codes in Indianapolis a few miles apart have a huge gap in life expectancy.

Residents of wealthy neighborhoods in the metro area live up to 83.7 years — similar to countries such as Switzerland and Japan. In a poor neighborhood less than 30 miles away, residents live up to 69.4 years — less than countries such as Iraq and Bangladesh.

Tess Weathers, a research associate at IU who led the study, said this disparity is largely due to the unfair and different lives that Americans lead due to systemic racism, disparities in accumulated capital and where they live.

“And the ownership is not solely on individuals, which is often the thing we do in America. We place the ownership on individuals,” Weathers said. “Society, we as an entire country, or as a state, need to take responsibility for our role in that.”

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weren't eligible for bail due to the severity of the crime they're accused of. Others, however, simply can't afford bail. "People are just held there because they haven't been able to make bond," Tallian said. "Most of them are misdemeanor charges, and it affects poor people and people of color more than any other group. ... This bill basically says you should be able to get out if you're not a violent criminal or flight risk.

In the age of COVID-19, advocates view keeping people in jail before trial as a civil rights issue.

In August 2020, 64-year-old Preston Chaney died of COVID-19 in a Texas jail. He was only there because he couldn't afford his bail set at \$100. In February, Alec Karakatsanis, founder of Civil Rights Corps, filed a federal lawsuit against Texas courts for "effectively holding people in crowded jails because they were too poor to afford bail."

This is cause for concern in Indiana, where the COVID-19 case rate is four times higher for incarcerated people than the general population, according to Prison Policy Initiative.

The bill hasn't been heard by the full Senate this legislative session, which doesn't surprise Tallian. This isn't a new fight for her. As a member of the Justice Reinvestment Advisor Council, Tallian has been advocating for bail reforms for years. While she said the general public overwhelmingly agrees with her stance; it's usually prosecutors who are her biggest adversaries.

Here in Indianapolis, Tallian has an ally in Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears.

"Whether or not someone should be held in custody should be a discussion about public and personal safety, not financial means," said Mears, who pre-

viously made headlines for directing his office not to prosecute marijuana possession charges and those charged with breaking Mayor Joe Hogsett's curfew during the 2020 protests.

In his experience as a prosecutor, he's seen the "significant" role poverty plays in the criminal justice system.

Criminal justice researcher John Rowling found that poor neighborhoods, particularly predominately Black low-income neighborhoods, are policed far more than wealthier or predominately white areas. On average, police stops in low-income neighborhoods occur 10 times the rate in wealthier areas. Essentially, those living in low-income areas are more likely to be charged with a crime, not because poor people commit more crime, but because they're more likely to be caught. Mears said poverty also plays a role in who judges decide to sentence and often impacts the ruling due to limits on the legal team someone can afford.

However, Mears noted there are "crimes of poverty," such as theft, because those who go without often struggle to survive. He believes working to raise people out of poverty would reduce crime rates in the city overall.

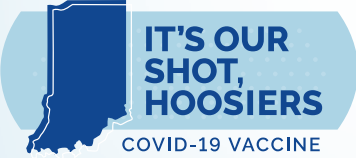
Addressing Tallian's point, Mears said prosecutors who are against a limit or end to cash bail often believe bail keeps them "safe" — if a person gets out on bail and commits another crime, it could look like a failure of the justice system. However, Mears said it's best to look at cases individually — not a detainee's economic status — to determine if someone is a risk upon release.

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EDITORIAL

Eradicating poverty

By OSEYE BOYD



No one wants to be poor. We go to great lengths to not be poor or even seen as poor. It's no wonder. We live in a country that shames poor people. If you're poor, it's because you did something wrong. You're lazy and don't work hard enough. Don't save enough. You're a failure. But the fact of the matter is many of us live in poverty. And if we're not below the poverty line, we're pretty darn close. And for those of us who made it out of poverty, we still have family members living at or near the poverty level. For Black Americans, poverty and race often have a symbiotic relationship. In Indianapolis, 28% of Black residents live in poverty, according to 2017 Census data. Overall, the city has a poverty rate of 20%. While we may not want to admit to living in poverty, the data shows a number of us are struggling financially. The COVID-19 pandemic made an already precarious situation even more tenuous for so many of our family members, friends and neighbors. It's not just adults who live in poverty; it's children too. In fact, 275,000 or 18% of Indiana children lived in poverty in 2018, according to the Annie E. Casey Foundation's Kids County Data Book. Like so many Black people, I grew up poor. We

often didn't know the extent of the limitations of poverty because we grow up in impoverished neighborhoods. It's only until you discover all the opportunities you're missing because you can't afford it that you realize the true extent of your lack of finances and the cost of poverty. We make jokes about growing up poor and are proud of our resiliency. We revel in the fact that our struggle made us tough and taught us how to survive. I think I could've done without those lessons and been just fine had I had money. Maybe there are some rich lessons I could've learned instead. If having money makes you weak and less likely to survive, why then do so many of us want it? From education to health disparities to life expectancy, poverty takes a toll on you as Chris Busbee, an Indianapolis resident, so poignantly stated. It affects every aspect of your life. Not having enough money to pay your bills leaves you anxious and depressed. Not being able to take care of your children leaves you ashamed and heartbroken. People who live in poverty work hard. Most are far from lazy. They work the grueling, back-breaking jobs that leave little time for hobbies and relaxation. If the pandemic better known as COVID-19 taught us nothing else, it should've taught us how much we rely on people who don't even make a living wage. We live in a country where our legislators and some of their constituents are adamantly against pay-

ing someone \$15 an hour. They say it will hurt the economy and local businesses. I'm not an economist and I'm not even going to pretend I play one on TV, but it seems like a country that's always bragging about how rich it is could find a way to make \$15 an hour happen. We can find money when we want (American Rescue Plan Act). We live in a country where CEOs are fired and still receive a severance package known as a golden parachute. Walmart and other companies pay their employees so little they must receive taxpayer subsidized assistance. Then we blame the employee for being lazy not Walmart for being greedy. Am I the only one who thinks that doesn't make sense? Maybe if everyone made a living wage, we could actually afford the real cost of items and not even need a Walmart to keep prices artificially low. Again, I'm no economist here, but I think there are solutions to ending poverty — if we really want to. In this week's edition the editorial team delved deeply into the issue of poverty. It's hard to miss the role it plays in the work we do and the community we serve. So many of the challenges Black people face are rooted in poverty and racism. Poverty is too big of an issue to cover every aspect in one edition, which is why we will continue our focus on poverty and poverty-related issues in future editions. Hopefully, we find some solutions along the way.

OPINIONS

Examining the relationship between Blacks and Asians

By LARRY SMITH



I possess a masochistic streak that frequently compels me to read the comments section of online stories. Doing so offers insight into many things, including the psychology of people who fearlessly (i.e., anonymously) spread racial animus as if they were smearing a pound of expired butter onto a single slice of bread. Sadly, it isn't surprising to witness in this shadow world an undercurrent of anti-Black bias in the wake of last week's horrific mass shooting in Atlanta. Instead of focusing on the actual killer (and whatever his motives were), clandestine cowards consistently pivot to instances of Black-on-Asian harassment and crime. (For example, the trolls cite statistics regarding the rate at which Blacks physically attack Asians, especially as compared to the reverse.) This tactic clearly is intended to stoke — and to exacerbate — longstanding tensions that exist between African Americans and Asian Americans. To be clear, many of us have been

quick to condemn the violence that has been directed against our Asian American brothers and sisters. (By the way, our doing so is not a new phenomenon.) At the same time, we also have long vented our justifiable frustration with segments of the Asian community regarding our treatment at nail salons, hair supply stores, convenience stores and other small businesses. Both situations constitute objective reality. I would highlight three key facts that describe the state of play. First, as I stated, African Americans have long stood in solidarity with Asians and Asian Americans. (Even Spike Lee offered a nod to this fact in his classic "Do the Right Thing.") Indeed, Frederick Douglass spoke against the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882, just as he fought against unjust laws that targeted Blacks — and those that discriminated against white women. (Incidentally, the act subjected Chinese Americans to being indiscriminately jailed, with bail being available only if they could find a "credible white witness" to vouch for them.) Blacks have always understood the importance of fighting for all victims of white supremacy. Second, there are several examples of allyships and even formal alliances between Blacks and Asians. For example,

it isn't uncommon for Asians to lock arms with us during Black Lives Matter protests. Similarly, even as some Asian Americans are arguing in court that they have fewer spots in elite academic institutions because of African Americans, the 2020 Asian American Voter Survey demonstrates that 70% of that population supports affirmative action. Chinese Americans are the Asian group that is most likely to oppose affirmative action, yet 56% of them support it. Third, and most importantly, African Americans are not responsible for the worst atrocities against Asian Americans. We did not generate anti-Asian laws or use the levers of government to dehumanize Asian Americans. We didn't add the phrase "Yellow Peril" to the American Dictionary of Racial Slurs. We didn't force Japanese Americans into internment camps during World War II. We didn't conceive, implement or even support the Chinese Exclusion Act, which prevented them from becoming citizens — or kept them out of the U.S. altogether. We didn't cast Mickey Rooney in a disgustingly racist movie role. And we didn't refer to COVID-19 as the "Kung Flu." Further, I should point out that the term "Asian" is a paradox. In America, we typically think of Asians as yellow

(i.e., Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese or Korean). But that taxonomy is far too limiting. Some Asians are brown. And, yes, some Asians are Black. (And we don't have space to get into the complex — and convoluted — history of the word "Caucasian.") In short, "Asian" is both a useful shorthand and a gross oversimplification of the geographic, ethnic, cultural, religious and linguistic diversity of "the subcontinent." But that's a story for another day. Interestingly, I came of age during a time in which the phrase "Asiatic Blackman" was frequently uttered with pride among members of the "Five-Percent Nation," which is a small, highly pro-Black religious group that split from the Nation of Islam in the early 1960s. (They might reasonably be considered the forerunners of the "woke" crowd.) The point is that there is a long and very complicated history between Blacks and Asians. In the end, the most important fact is that African Americans don't murder groups of Asian Americans in cold blood — even when we're having "a bad day". Larry Smith is a community leader. Contact him at larry@leaf-llc.com.

I prayed for COVID-19

By LESLIE SMITH



I prayed for COVID-19 to happen. Yes, you can blame me. Not a week earlier, I had asked God to give me more time with my family. Extracurricular activities, meetings and other randomness kept us apart Monday through Thursday and then again on Saturday. Between dropping off children, driving to and

from work, staying in meetings all day, picking up my children, trying to work out, making dinner, helping with homework, putting them to bed and then back to work at night, I was extremely fatigued. Anxious. On repeat. Lost. Needless to say, on March 13, 2020, I was elated to stay home with my family for a few weeks. Was I naive or what? Those weeks turned into months. And those months turned into a year and counting. But what did God "re-teach" me in the interim? Discipline. When I started my new role back in 2018, I was looking in all the wrong places on where to find my niche — balancing an executive role with a family. However, it was right there in front of me — in God's word. Many of us desire to be a disciple, a personal follower of Jesus, but we don't want the discipline that goes along with it. In order to be the best wife, mother, sister, colleague and friend, I have to be a disciple first. OK, Lord, I hear you. Then the balance (and freedom) will come. What areas in your life do you need balance and/or more structure? How are you doing emotionally, physically, mentally, spiritually, professionally and financially? This has been a difficult season for most of us, but rest assured that you can find the peace that surpasses all understanding if you take it one step at a time to devote time to you. What habits are you forming? What habits are you teaching your children? FYI, they are watching you.



I worked a lot before COVID, and probably work even more now. I've put on weight, and now I'm trying to lose it. My children at times have to tell me to put the computer down, or ask me when my meetings will be over. Now, I'm not saying that it's time to quit your job or run a marathon tomorrow. Take it slow. One step at a time. COVID has reminded me in a very hard way that we

need to prioritize family, self-care is critical to our existence, and relationships are the bread and butter of life. God stopped us all in our tracks. Our lives have been interrupted. Many of us are simply trying to survive. But I assure you that there is something that you can work on, but only you know what that one thing is. Take the time to devote time to you. Ask God what that one thing is. Find

the balance. Create the discipline. And live in freedom. It's time to go to another level. Let's get free together. Are you ready for the journey? Let's go! Leslie Nicole Smith is the executive director of alumni engagement at DePauw University. Leslie is a 2003 DePauw alumna, a motivator and community leader. Contact Leslie at lesliesmith@depauw.edu.

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Workers face power struggle on the job and in life

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When Robert Hughes talks about the advantages of being represented by a union, he doesn't go straight to the big-ticket stuff such as wages and benefits. People like Hughes, a union steward for Unite HERE Local 23, make sure food workers at IUPUI, where he's worked for eight years, have rubber floor mats so their feet don't hurt from standing all day. He helps make sure management adheres to the "respect clause" in their union contract. "Unions can be the linchpin for not only respect at your workplace," Hughes said, "but respect at your home, in our city and country."

The people who tell Hughes having a union is unnecessary are part of a decreasing minority in America. A little more than two-thirds of people approve of unions, according to Gallup, the highest mark since 2003 and the 10th straight year that number has been above 50%.

That said, only 10.8% of wage and salary workers were union members in 2020, according to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, compared to more than a third of such workers in the 1950s.

A union is the traditional defense for workers, but American capitalism only allows so much protection. Working — selling your labor — is almost always essential in order to sustain yourself and a family.

"That's why I go to work," said Derek Ford, a member of the Party for Socialism and Liberation.

Ford, an assistant professor at DePauw University, chuckled a bit when he said that, but it's the truth for many people.

Other countries with market-based economies go to much greater lengths for people. Germany, for example, pays a child allowance of about 220 euros (\$262) a month up to the age of 18, or 25 if the dependent is in school or training.

There are still a lot of opportunities within capitalism, Ford said, because the money is there. He pointed out there seems to have been more debate



Robert Hughes, a food service worker at IUPUI, is also a union steward for Unite HERE Local 23. (Photo provided by Robert Hughes)

about giving people a \$1,400 stimulus check than there is when it comes to the budget for the Pentagon, which sits at about \$700 billion.

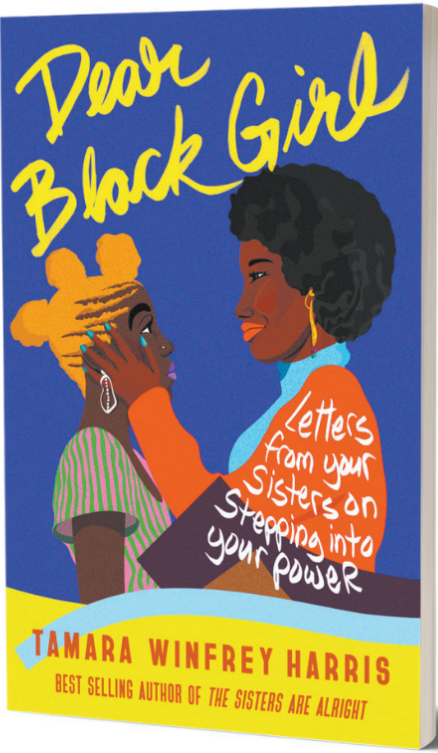
One idea that gained attention during the most recent presidential election, thanks to Democratic candidate Andrew Yang, is a universal basic income. Workers who know they can quit a job they don't like and still take care of themselves could end up with more leverage when it comes to wages, benefits and accommodations.

Mat Davis, an organizer with Unite HERE, said workers can also feel trapped in a job if they have employer-based medical insurance. Despite the 11-year-old Affordable Care Act (ACA), health care isn't a guarantee, and subsidized coverage can still come with hefty premiums and out-of-pocket expenses.

Davis said that's part of the reason there's a push to move to a single-payer system or at least expand the ACA to include a public option, which President Joe Biden has said he wants to do.

"Eventually, we need to get to a system that is away from employment-based insurance coverage," Davis said.

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Using Tech For Upward Mobility: Kaylea Britton

by Kara Kavensky

Kaylea Britton never imagined herself as a software engineer when she was a child.

Her earliest memory of career ambition was when she went through a brief veterinarian phase, which was quickly nixed once she discovered there was more to the job than cuddling with cute animals. Her next aspiration was to become an actress after joining the drama club as a sophomore in high school. Britton thought it would be easy to make a living as an actress.

"My parents didn't really like their professions and I wanted to love mine," says Britton, who lives in Indianapolis with her family. "But I had no idea what career options were out there. I had such a narrow scope."

After high school, Britton went to Ball State University and majored in theater against her parents' wishes. They wanted her to major in business. Britton's passion for theater was not enough to compensate for the fact that she wasn't being cast in productions, so she graduated with a major in general studies.

When her degree didn't lead to a lucrative job opportunity, Britton moved back home and took classes at a community college and was soon hired by the school. Britton took advantage of the benefit of taking classes for free. She enrolled in accounting courses and earned a general business degree. Four years later, she was still working with the college and uncertain about her future.

"In order to get into a leadership role, you needed a masters degree and I could not justify going \$30k into debt for a \$5k raise," states Britton, who felt stuck, which led to feelings of anxiety and depression. "I was desperately seeking options to transform my life."

Most people experience anxiety and depression at various stages throughout their life.

In hindsight, Britton identified that she had anxiety attacks in high school and during college. She had been working with the community college nearly five years and was uncertain of getting another job without extensive training. At the community college, Britton taught a Student Success class, which was a one credit hour course that covered time management, study



habits, and mindset. The approach of the course was from a "creator" mindset and not from a victim perspective. Britton earnestly began to walk her talk from this class and started doing research with a positive mindset.

Britton found that one of the few, if not the only, career path welcoming of people regardless of their background was tech. Britton spent the next year attempting to learn how to code on her own. Self-study online courses were not working for her.

Compounded by her emotional and mental state, she stopped working at the community college and enrolled in a coding bootcamp with Eleven Fifty Academy.

"I knew that I needed to step away from my stressful work situation and immerse myself into coding. I did not want to be stressed out for my family [husband, young daughter]," says Britton, who qualified for a couple grants that financially floated her. "I found the Academy online and read the reviews. It felt like a good opportunity and it was a perfect fit."

Once the bootcamp started, Britton discovered that what she had taught herself over the course of a year, she learned within the first week at Eleven Fifty.

"Just going to the bootcamp is not enough by itself. You have to put in a lot of work, make sure you are studying the materials enough and recognize that twelve weeks is not a long period of time," says Britton, whose sister is a recent graduate of the Academy. "Thanks to Eleven Fifty Academy, I have become an outside-the-box thinker."

After graduating from Eleven Fifty Academy, Britton co-founded an alumni meetup group, with a few developers in her same cohort. The meetings happen monthly and are inclusive of any junior developer to gather socially, network and host workshops for professional growth. During the pandemic, they paused their in-person gatherings and hope to start meeting in person later this year.

Britton is a software developer with Agilify, where she works on robotic process automations and desktop automations. The Agilify team had worked in the office until the pandemic, and promptly moved to working remotely. Britton feels fortunate that her position did not change, only the work environment.

For Britton, Eleven Fifty Academy was a necessary stepping stone and she admits that the bootcamp completely altered her for the positive: she discovered what was possible.

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US: AstraZeneca results may have included outdated info

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — AstraZeneca may have included “outdated information” in touting the effectiveness of its COVID-19 vaccine in a U.S. study, federal health officials said March 23 in an unusual public rift that could further erode confidence in the shot.

In response, AstraZeneca said that it is working on more up-to-date information and that the more recent findings are consistent with the earlier ones. It promised an update within 48 hours.

It was not clear exactly what concerns U.S. health officials have. But the unprecedented tension erupted just hours after AstraZeneca released information it hoped would help settle lingering questions about the effectiveness of a vaccine that is being widely used in Europe and other parts of the world and is about to be considered for use in the U.S.

The company announced on March 22 that a predominantly U.S. study of 32,000 volunteers showed its vaccine was 79% effective in preventing symptomatic COVID-19 disease. It also stressed there were no severe illnesses or hospitalizations among volunteers given the vaccine, compared with five cases among those given dummy shots.

But shortly after midnight, the National Institutes of Health issued a statement saying the independent monitors that oversee the study had “expressed concern that AstraZeneca may have included outdated information from that trial, which may have provided an incomplete view of the efficacy data.”

The NIH urged the company

Virus Outbreak AstraZeneca FILE - In this Monday, March 22, 2021 file photo medical staff prepares an AstraZeneca coronavirus vaccine during preparations at the vaccine center in Ebbersberg near Munich, Germany. Results from a U.S. trial of AstraZeneca's COVID-19 vaccine may have used “outdated information,” U.S. federal health officials said. (AP Photo/Matthias Schrader, File) (Matthias Schrader)

to “ensure the most accurate, up-to-date efficacy data be made public as quickly as possible.”

Outside experts were surprised and puzzled by the spat. But they noted that ultimately the Food and Drug Administration will scrutinize all the data before deciding whether AstraZeneca's vaccine can be rolled out in the U.S.

“It would seem that whatever this communication misstep is, at the end of the day the data will have to stand for itself,” said Dr. Jesse Goodman of Georgetown University, a former FDA vaccine chief.

The NIH's Dr. Anthony Fauci told ABC's “Good Morning America” that the incident “really is what you call an unforced error” and that he expects the discrepancy to be straightened out.

Fauci also said the episode shows the U.S. regulatory system is working: “The data and

safety monitoring board picking up this discrepancy was an example of a safeguard.”

But that nitty-gritty seldom is seen by the public, something now exposed by the extraordinary microscope being applied to development of the world's COVID-19 vaccines.

Every vaccine trial is overseen by a “data and safety monitoring board,” or DSMB. These boards include scientists and statisticians who are experts in their fields but have no ties to either the government or the vaccine makers.

In the AstraZeneca study, just like studies of the other vaccines in use, some participants get the real vaccine and the rest get dummy shots, and neither they nor their doctors know which is which. Only the DSMB has the power to unlock the code of who got which and peek at how the volunteers are faring before a study is finished.

The DSMB watches for safety concerns and also deems when the study has met pre-determined endpoints showing it's time for an effectiveness calculation. It was the NIH-appointed DSMB that raised the concerns about AstraZeneca's data.

On March 23, AstraZeneca said that the data it first released included COVID-19 cases that occurred up to Feb. 17, as the study rules specified, and that it is continuing to analyze cases that have occurred since then. It said a preliminary analysis of more recent data was consistent with what it had already reported.

It is common for companies developing COVID-19 vaccines to release early data and to continue studying results as they come in.

Some experts had hoped that AstraZeneca's announcement would help rebuild public confidence in the shot around

the world.

The vaccine is used widely in Britain, across the European continent and in other countries, but its rollout was troubled by inconsistent study reports about its effectiveness, and then a scare about blood clots that had some countries temporarily pausing inoculations.

The U.S. study findings announced by AstraZeneca were consistent with studies from elsewhere — and real-world use in Britain — that found the vaccine offers good protection against the worst COVID-19 has to offer. But company executives refused repeated requests from reporters to provide a breakdown of the 141 COVID-19 cases it was using to make the case for the shot's effectiveness.

The company has said it aims to file an application with the FDA in the coming weeks.

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Coalition Urges Hoosiers to Rethink Their Drink

Would you ever fill your bathtub with 2-liter bottles of soda? How about your child? Of course you wouldn't. Yet the typical Hoosier child drinks enough sugary drinks each year to fill the average 30-gallon bathtub. That's 56 2-liter bottles.

Top 10 is a local coalition, including the Marion County Public Health Department, which is committed to improving the health of Indianapolis residents, is launching a “Rethink Your Drink” campaign this month to encourage people to choose drinks without added sugars.

The campaign will place a special emphasis on reaching Black and Hispanic parents and teens, who see twice as much advertising for sugary drinks as whites and, therefore, consume more of those drinks.

“Indy's kids are sweet enough,” said Rhonda Bayless, executive director of Center for Wellness and Urban Women, a member of Top 10. “None of us would encourage our kids to drink that much sugar, but many of us do so without realizing how much sugar is hidden in many popular drinks.”

Sugary drinks include not only sodas but also sports drinks, energy drinks, fruit juices and sweetened teas and coffees.

“Most of us know that sodas contain sugar,” Bayless said, “but most of us don't realize how much sugar. Just one 12-ounce can of soda often contains as much as 9 teaspoons of sugar. That's like eating four glazed donuts.”

Other drinks — some even marketed as good for you — are also loaded with sugar. A 20-ounce sports drink also contains approximately 9 teaspoons of sugar, and many fruit drinks are loaded with added sugars.

“The American Heart Association recommends that kids limit added sugars to 25 grams per day, and almost all sugary drinks are over this daily limit,” said Julie Pike, a registered dietician with Riley Children's Health, also a Top 10 member. “In fact, sugary drinks are the largest source of calories and added sugar in kids' diets. Even drinking one sugary drink a day significantly increases the risk for obesity and Type-2 diabetes.

“In Marion County, 40 percent of our youth are either overweight or obese,” Pike said. “Certainly, the amount of added sugars, especially liquid sugar, in their diet plays a large role in that.”

Too much sugar leads to other problems as well, including higher risk of heart disease, high blood pressure, Type-2 diabetes and tooth decay.

So, if you don't fill your bathtub — or children — with sugary drinks, what do you fill them with?

Water is the number one option, but the “Rethink Your Drink” campaign highlights others as well.

“Healthier drink options include water and low-fat milk,” Pike said. “When you're at the grocery store, take a look at the nutrition facts label on the back of the package. You want the ‘added sugar’ to be zero.

“And if you're out at a restaurant, opt for water, low-fat milk or unsweetened tea.”

The Top 10 coalition's education campaign will run throughout 2021, reaching out to people via community programs as well as social media.



Miami janitor quietly feeds thousands, and love’s the reason

By KELLI KENNEDY
Associated Press

MIAMI (AP) — Doramise Moreau toils long past midnight in her tiny kitchen every Friday — boiling lemon peels, crushing fragrant garlic and onion into a spice blend she rubs onto chicken and turkey, cooking the dried beans that accompany the yellow rice she’ll deliver to a Miami church.

She’s singlehandedly cooked 1,000 meals a week since the pandemic’s start — an act of love she’s content to perform with little compensation.

Moreau, a 60-year-old widow who lives with her children, nephew and three grandchildren, cooks in the kitchen of a home built by Habitat for Humanity in 2017.

Her days are arduous. She works part-time as a janitor at a technical school, walking or taking the bus. But the work of her heart, the reason she rises each morning, is feeding the hungry.

As a little girl in Haiti, she often pilfered food from her parents’ pantry — some dried rice and beans, maybe an onion or an ear of corn — to give to someone who needed it.

“Sometimes when you’re looking at people in their face, they don’t need to ask you,” she explained. “You can see they need something.”

Her mother was furious, constantly scolding and threatening Moreau, even telling the priest to refuse to give her communion. But she was not deterred.

“I told her, ‘You can whup me today, you can whup me tomorrow, but I’m going to continue to do it.’”



Doramise Moreau covers shredded malanga that will be served with baked fish to those that need a meal at Notre Dame d’Haiti Catholic Church, Monday, March 8, 2021, in Miami. Moreau is a part-time janitor at a technical school. She spends most of her time shopping for ingredients and helping to cook meals for 1,000 to 1,500 people a week since the pandemic began. Moreau received a new car for her community service. She was nominated by the pastor at the church. (AP Photo/Marta Lavandier)

Decades later, Moreau is still feeding the hungry.

She borrows the church truck to buy groceries on Thursday and Friday and cooks into the wee hours of the night for Saturday’s feedings. Notre Dame d’Haiti Catholic Church pays for the food, relying on donations. Moreau prepares the meals singlehandedly, while church volunteers serve or deliver them to shut-ins.

“Americans, Spanish, Haitian, they come here,” she said. “Even when I’m closing, they say, ‘Please, can I have some,’ and I give it to them, because if they go home and have nothing it hurts my feelings.”

Moreau also feeds people back in her little village north of Port-au-Prince. Despite her meager salary, she sends food pallets monthly to her sisters and brother, nieces, nephews and neighbors, telling her sister over the phone to make sure this person gets a bag of rice and that person gets the sardines.

Every morning before work, for the church’s staff, police and local community leaders, Moreau prepares a table with a special Haitian hot tea to ward off colds. She lays out vapors to inhale and other remedies from her homeland believed to strengthen the immune system.

“She takes care of everybody from A to Z,” said Reginald Jean-Mary, pastor at the church. “She’s a true servant. She goes beyond the scope of work to be a presence of hope and compassion for others.”

A few years ago when the church couldn’t afford to hire a cleaning crew, Moreau offered to do it for a negligible sum. She does it with a cheerful heart.

And until recently, she’s done it all without a car.

But last month, Moreau was surprised with a new Toyota Corolla topped with a big red bow. As part of a local anti-poverty initiative, community leaders nominate residents known for community service. The Martin Luther King Economic Development Corporation purchases the cars wholesale through a grant, and Moreau pays \$125 a month and will own it after three years.

With her janitorial job and all her work at the church, people often ask Moreau if she’s exhausted. But she says she is fueled by her faith.

“I can keep all the money for myself and never give anyone a penny,” she said. “But if you give from your heart and never think about yourself, God will provide for you every day. The refrigerator will never be without food.”

Pope decries shame of racism, like ‘virus’ lurking in wait

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Francis on March 21 denounced racism, likening it to a virus that lurks in waiting and only to emerge and show that “our supposed social progress is not as real or definitive” as people think.

Francis tweeted on racism on the date that the United Nations marks as International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The pope likened racism to a “a virus that quickly mutates and, instead of disappearing, goes into hiding, and lurks in waiting.”

“Instances of racism continue to shame us, for they show that our supposed social progress is not as real or definitive as we think,” Francis tweeted, adding the

hashtags #FightRacism #FratelliTutti. “Fratelli Tutti” is the title of the encyclical, or special teaching document, which the pope issued last year in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic to press for solidarity, brotherhood and care for the environment worldwide.

In his tweet, Francis cited no particular instance of racism or place. Throughout his papacy, he has championed the rights of people who are marginalized in societies, including migrants.

The annual U.N. commemoration on March 21 falls on the anniversary of the day that police in Sharpeville, South Africa, opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful demonstration against apartheid laws in 1960.



A nun stands in St. Peter’s Square at the Vatican, Sunday, March 21, 2021. Pope Francis has denounced racism, likening it to a virus that lurks in waiting and continues to be shameful. Francis in a tweet March 21 called racism “a virus that quickly mutates and, instead of disappearing, goes into hiding, and lurks in waiting.” (AP Photo/Gregorio Borgia) THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

Working together works

By JOHNSON A. BEAVEN III

“Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor. If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.” Ecclesiastes 4:9, 10 NIV

Bishop Charles E. Blake Sr. spoke these words, which have always stuck with me, some years ago: “Together, we are better.” This is apropos in many aspects of life. In Ecclesiastes 4:9, its application is linked to labor. It points to working together for a successful outcome and helping each other up when down. It highlights the benefit of teamwork.

Teamwork is a key for success in many areas of life. A successful marriage takes a husband and wife working



together. In sports, the team that works together wins over the team that does not. To have a successful business or community project often requires working together in the form of pursuing cooperative ventures.

Even the work of ministry takes teamwork to successfully fulfill its mission. The apostle Paul wrote of himself and Apollos, “we are laborers together with God” (1 Corinthians 3:9). Today, we also are partners cooperating, working together with God. We work together as a team in cooperation with a common purpose that has been set forth by God.

Team ministry, or working together as partners, is a biblical concept. The Godhead is the primary paradigm for teamwork. In making humanity, God stated “let us make man in our image and after our likeness” (Genesis 1:26). In saving humanity, we see the Godhead as a team operationally in Ephesians 1:3-14

whereby the Father planned redemption in selecting us (verses 4, 5), the Son worked redemption in saving us (verses 7-11), and the Spirit applies redemption by sealing us (verses 13, 14).

There are two beneficial outcomes from teamwork: greater productivity and greater accomplishment.

The effect of a team working together can result in greater productivity through synergy. One person can produce a certain level of productivity, but synergy increases productivity by putting two or more workers’ efforts together. In essence, synergy is the concept that a team working together is greater and has a more powerful effect than what each team member can do separately at his or her best.

A greater accomplishment is possible by divvying up the collective workload of a team. This has been expressed in slightly different ways throughout the years. The

principle is this: Teamwork divides the effort and multiplies the effect.

The story of the paralyzed person in Mark 2:1-12 practically illustrates the power of teamwork. Theologically, this story contrasts the faith of four persons in Jesus’ ability to heal against the skepticism of the Scribes regarding Jesus’ authority to forgive sins. The practical ministry aspect of the story is how to get the helpless person the help needed. In this case, how to physically get the paralytic to Jesus.

We are presented with teamwork in action (verses 3-5). Notice the pronoun “they” is stated five times, which points to the power of teamwork. The four-man team carried the paralyzed man to where Jesus was, yet were prevented access because of the crowd. They undoubtedly conceived a plan, creatively worked around this obstacle and cooperated in getting the paralytic before Jesus.

It would have been extremely difficult to almost impossible for one man to carry the dead weight of the paralytic. Two men may have been able to carry and bring him to the house. It is possible that two or three men could get the paralytic up on the roof top. All four men working together made it more probable and much easier to carry the man, get him on the roof, remove the roofing and lower him down into the presence of Jesus to be healed and receive salvation.

It takes a team to accomplish certain things. We are better when we work together. Working as a team, we can achieve amazingly more than a group of individuals working their own thing.

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BIBLE TRIVIA
by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of Gethsemane in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. What signal or mark did Judas use to betray Jesus to the religious leaders of the day? Marked Jesus with ash, Pointed to Him, Gave Jesus a kiss, Washed Jesus' feet
- 3. In John 11:45-53, who was the high priest who called for Jesus' death? El-ioneus, Joazar, Simon Cantheras, Caiaphas
- 4. When Mary Magdalene and "the other Mary" came upon the risen Jesus, who did He ask them to inform? Priests, Disciples, No one, Villagers
- 5. From John 20, which disciple doubt-ed Jesus had risen unless he could see the wounds? Peter, Andrew, Thomas, Thaddeus
- 6. How long did Jesus remain after His resurrection before He ascended into heaven? Instantaneously, 1 hour, 7 days, 40 days

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Gave Jesus a kiss; 3) Caiaphas; 4) Disciples; 5) Thomas (called Didymus); 6) 40 days (Acts 1:3)

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Jeremiah 31:33C-34B

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Black-owned business staying afloat with help from community

By BREANNA COOPER
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Black business owners in Indianapolis were less likely to receive government support than white-owned businesses before the pandemic. It's only gotten worse since COVID-19.

In 2019, the City of Indianapolis Disparity Study, conducted by Colorado-based BBC Research and Consulting, found large disparities between city assistance for minority-owned businesses compared to white-owned businesses.

From 2014 to 2019, all minority-owned businesses in Indianapolis received just \$128.1 million out of \$876 million and were eligible to bid on only 19% of city-wide contracts. Businesses owned by white women received the most government support.

After COVID-19 began surging through the city, many white business owners were able to remain open thanks to payroll protection program (PPP) loans. However, Black business owners experienced a different outcome due to confusion on how to apply, communication and a lack of relationships with banks. While there isn't data yet, anecdotal evidence suggests many Black-owned businesses either shut down or struggled to remain open.

According to a SCORE study from August 2020, Black-owned businesses were more likely to apply for PPP assistance, but were less likely to receive it. Roughly 53.4% of Black-owned businesses applied for PPP and only 20% of those businesses received the full amount. On the other hand, 63.7% of the 47.8% of white-owned businesses that applied for PPP received the full amount offered.

Katina Washington, founder of the S.H.E. Event and S.H.E. Marketplace, where local businesses can sell their products online, received PPP in summer 2020, but said confusion on her part made the process



difficult.

"It was my fault," Washington said. "You had to have documents showing I paid myself, and I didn't have that. It was just a matter of not knowing."

Washington doesn't believe there were enough efforts in Indianapolis to keep business owners informed on what they should do to get assistance. She knows many local business owners who had a similar experience.

Larry Williams, president of Indy Black Chamber, said there were efforts on the chamber's part to help Black Hoosier business owners ap-

ply for loans. However, many Black business owners don't go to banks for loans or money management services, resulting in a less than optimal relationship with the bank, which made it difficult to get assistance during the pandemic.

"A lot of our businesses are sole proprietors, and you really have got to have a relationship with a bank," Williams said. "When the PPP loan came out, banks were closed because of corona, so if you didn't have an email to your bank manager, it was hard to put in an application or get help."

To solve this problem, Washington recently partnered with

Huntington Bank to bridge the gap between the Black community and financial institutions.

"There is a lack of trust there," Washington said. "A lot of people use cash, checking and liquor stores for our banking needs, so I partnered with Huntington and we're going to have free financial literacy training to our vendors to improve business practices. If you don't have your personal finances in order, you won't have your business finances in order, either."

Indy Black Chamber is working to ensure support for Black-owned businesses

continues after the pandemic is over. Last summer, the chamber opened an office suite to offer entrepreneurs a business address and P.O. box, a requirement for receiving federal assistance.

"I don't think there was enough done to support Black-owned businesses before," Washington said. "That's why I'm taking the initiative to be that support."

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The Environmental Reporter must be energetic and have a passion for nature; must have a desire to educate readers on how environmental issues affect their daily lives while providing information that will empower readers to make improvements. Environmental Reporter must understand the difference between environment, nature and conservancy.

Responsibilities:

- Environmental Reporter is responsible for writing news and feature articles and news briefs focused on environmental issues. Environmental Reporter must understand the process of gathering news by conducting interviews with sources and thorough research; must be proficient in AP Style and understand the importance of digital platforms in media.
- Work with newsroom management to determine an article's angle, length and format.
- Arrange and conduct interviews with sources.
- Research and analyze background information prior to conducting interviews.
- Check reference materials, such as books, news files, or public records, to obtain relevant facts.
- Be able to cover breaking news and quickly turn around copy for digital publication as well as possible follow-up articles for print.
- Receive assignments and pitch article ideas based on leads or tips.
- Discuss issues with the editor to establish priorities.
- Proofread copy and correct grammar and punctuation errors in content, following prescribed editorial style and formatting guidelines.
- Understand the editorial process and be prepared to revise work to meet editorial standards.
- Coordinate with production staff on locating art for stories.
- Work with additional newsroom staff to maintain social media accounts and websites.
- Keep up to date on the latest news developments by attending events, studying different papers, opinion pieces, and social media.
- Other duties as assigned.

Education and Qualifications:

- BA or BS in journalism, mass communication, or related field.
- Minimum of 3 plus years of experience as a journalist or Reporter
- Ability to meet deadlines and accurately fact-check information.
- Excellent observation and judgment skills.
- Capable of maintaining an ethical and objective standard in reporting.
- Excellent communication and research skills.

Please submit resume via
Fax at 317-921-6653 or Resume@IndyRecorder.com

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Job Description

Title: Business Office Coordinator

Department: Business & Circulation

Reports to: President and General Manager

Job summary

The Business Office Coordinator is responsible for coordinating all the front office activities. Responsible for working and managing the reception area, answering phone calls, sorting, and distributing mail, maintaining office supplies and equipment. In addition, manage the overall accounting responsibilities.

Summary of essential job functions

- Performs all general accounting task including reconciliation, accounts receivables, accounts payable etc.
- Process credit card payments, receive incoming cash and checks payments from legal ads and advertisements and post in QuickBooks.
- Monthly bank and credit card accounts reconciliations.
- Contact customers to collect past due amounts.
- Balance out petty cash sheet and report it to the president.
- Collects ads, write-up legal and post in computer system.
- Responsible for billing and mailing out invoices with tear sheets to customers.
- Manage the reception area to ensure effective telephone and mail communication both internally and externally to maintain a professional image.
- Contact person for maintenance issues with office equipment, including copier, fax machine, etc.
- Responsible for coordinating the day to day operations of the business office.
- Proof publications for all legal ads that run in the paper.
- Verify that all ads have been processed by following production procedures.
- Assist with various departmental projects.
- Give reports to sales rep to verify ads are billed correctly.
- Other duties as assigned

Minimum requirements

- Associates or Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Business or related field preferred
- Minimum of two (2) + year's office management and supervisory experience
- Possess excellent interpersonal, verbal and written skills
- Strong computer skills in Microsoft Office
- Proficient with QuickBooks
- Excellent customer service skills
- Able to manage multiple duties and detail oriented

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Fax at 317-921-6653 or Resume@IndyRecorder.com

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There is a Community Food Box in front of the Indianapolis Recorder Newspaper office.
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New Rates

As an historic publication that has served the Indianapolis community for nearly 124 years, it's with regret that the Recorder must raise its rates for legal notices.

Over the past few years there have been undeniable increases in the cost of the paper, yet our company has absorbed the costs without increasing rates. Unfortunately, that is no longer feasible as costs continue to skyrocket. While our rates will increase effective Jan. 1, 2019, the rates are still lower than other media outlets.

We want to thank you for all the support you have shown us and ask for your continued support.

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New Rates
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Guardianship
Notice
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Summons
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Notice of
Real Estate
\$118.00***

Notice of
Administration
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Dissolution
of Corporation
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Notice of
Final Account
\$76.00*

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Please Check Your Ad
Please carefully read your ad the first day it appears and report any errors promptly. Credit for errors is limited to the cost of the first ad only and adjustment is limited to the actual cost of space.

DISSOLUTION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COURT OF
CIVIL DIVISION
SARIL HERNANDEZ
RIVERA
Petitioner
Vs
WENDY C. ENAMORADO
ORDONEZ
Respondent
CAUSE NO:
49D13-2011-DN-039776
49D16-2011-DN-039776
MOTION FOR FINAL
HEARING
The Petitioner now States that sixty (60) have passed since the last filing of the Verified Petition for Dissolution of Marriage and request that this matter be set for Final Hearing on the next available hearing date. Entry date: 02/23/2021 File Stamped/ ordered: 02/23/2021 hearing Scheduling Activity Status Conference Scheduled for 04/19/2021 at 9:15am AM. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk Order 03/26/21 03/26/21 04/09/21

DISSOLUTION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
CIVIL DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D06-1902-DC-007165
IN IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
ANDREA AVALOS
Petitioner,
and
ADAN GALLEGOS
Respondent
ORDER ON NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
The object of the above-styled suit is for Petition to show Mother as Sole Custodial Parent and Issuance of passport to minor child Without consent of Non-Custodial Parent. And, it appearing by affidavit filed that Adan Gallegos, the above-named Respondent's, residence is unknown and that a diligent search has been made. THEREFORE, ORDERED that notice be published once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper authorized by law to publish notices and published in the County of Marion, in Indianapolis, Indiana. Judge, Marion County March 15, 2021 Huelkamp & Associates 1809 Prospect Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46203 5320-918368 03/26/21 03/26/21 04/09/21

DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
COURT OF
SANDRA GOMEZ-
SANCHEZ
Plaintiff
Vs
EDGAR F. HERNANDEZ
Defendant
CAUSE NO:
49D14-2101-DN-00204
NOTICE OF SUIT
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 Petition for Dissolution of Marriage. And, the following whereabouts are unknown: Edgar F. Hernandez In addition to the above named respondent being served by this summons there may be other parties who have an interest in this law suit. If you have a claim for relief against the Petitioner 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 _ (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. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

DISSOLUTION

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
CHELSI BLUITT
Petitioner,
and
WILLIAM SW ANSON
Respondent.
CASE NO:
49D14-2102-DC-000562
NOTICE OF SUIT FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE
The State of Indiana to the Respondent, William Swanson, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued for Divorce on February 1, 2021 in the Court named above. The nature of the suit against you is: Dissolution of the above Note Marriage. This summons is by publication is specially directed to the following: William Swanson, address unknown. And to any other persons whom may interest in the name or address of the person's spouse, widow, widower, heir or devise who may have an interest in this lawsuit. If you have a claim for relief against the Petitioner arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint occurring, by you or your attorney, on or before the 23 day of April, 2021, (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit). The Final Hearing for the Divorce is Scheduled on May 25, 2021 at 2:30 pm in Marion County Superior Court 2. If you take no action in this case after the receipt of this summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of Marriage or make a determination regarding any of the following: paternity, child custody, child support, maintenance, parenting time, property division (real or personal) and any other distribution of assets and debts. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/19/21 03/26/21 04/02/21

DISSOLUTION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS
IN THE MARION COUNTY
COURT
CIVIL DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D02-2007-DC-023287
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
ANTONIA MORALES
MORALES
Petitioner
Vs
FAUSTINO PENA
DELGADO
Respondent
ORDER ON NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
The object of the above-styled suit is for Dissolution of Marriage. And, it appearing by affidavit filed that Faustino Pena Delgado, the above-named Respondent, is not a resident of this county, and that a diligent search has been made and the Respondent's residence is unknown. IS THEREFORE, ORDERED that notice be published once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper authorized by law to publish notices and published in the County of Marion, in Indiana. February 22, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
SUPERIOR COURT 16
CASE #
49D16-2103-DC-001565
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
Petitioner: Kelli D. White-
Vaughn
Respondent: Derry T. Vaughn
This notice is directed to Derry T. Vaughn who is being sued and whose whereabouts are unknown. In addition to the above person being served by this summons, there may be others who have an interest in this law suit. Darrell J. Dolan represents the person seeking service by publication, and can be located at 6525 E. 82nd Street, Suite #102, Indianapolis, IN 46250. The nature of the Suit against you is a Dissolution of Marriage and the property at issue is marital property. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty days after the last notice of action is published. If you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff / Petitioner has demanded. 3/5/2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

NOTICE OF SUIT

This notice is directed to Derry T. Vaughn who is being sued and whose whereabouts are unknown. In addition to the above person being served by this summons, there may be others who have an interest in this law suit. Darrell J. Dolan represents the person seeking service by publication, and can be located at 6525 E. 82nd Street, Suite #102, Indianapolis, IN 46250. The nature of the Suit against you is a Dissolution of Marriage and the property at issue is marital property. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty days after the last notice of action is published. If you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff / Petitioner has demanded. 3/5/2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

DISSOLUTION

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF MARION COUNTY
CAUSE NO:
49D14-2102-DC-001256
OMOYEMO OMOWUNMI
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Plaintiff
Vs
ED SHADOW
Defendant
NOTICE OF SUIT
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 against you is: DIVORCE/ DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE. This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: NONE. And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: ED SHADOW. In addition to the above-named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit. If you have a claim for relief against the pla intiff 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 , (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. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

DISSOLUTION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO:
49D02-2011-DN-039187
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:
BILLOLA TOSIN ADIGUN
Petitioner,
And
WILLIAM BYRON
RENICKS III
Respondent.
TO RESPONDENT:
WILLIAM BYRON RENICKS III
6112 GEORGETOWN ROAD, APT B
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46254
You are hereby notified that you have been sued by the Petitioner in the Court indicated above. This summons is accompanied by a Notice to Appear, you should appear in Court on the date and time stated in the Order to Appear. If you do not appear, evidence may be heard in your absence and a determination made by the Court. If a Temporary Restraining Order is attached, it is effective immediately upon your receipt or knowledge of the Order. If you wish to retain an attorney to represent you in this matter, it is advisable to do so before the date stated in the Notice to Appear. If you take no action in this case after the receipt of this summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of the Marriage or make a determination regarding any of the following: property division (real or personal) and any other distribution of assets and debts. Dated: 11/4/2020 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

DISSOLUTION
TATE OF INDIANA
OUNTY OF MARION SS:
I RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:
RANDON HARRIS,
etitioner,
nd
YDNEY MITCHELL,
espondent.
9010-2102-DN-001198
UMMONS BY PUBLICATION
he State of Indiana to the spondent above named, nd any other person who ay be concerned. ou are notified that you ave been sued in the Court ove named. he nalure of the suit against ou is: issolution Of Marriage his summons by ublication is specifically irected to the following amed respondent whose ddress is: lIA nd to the following spondent whose e whereabouts are unknown: ydney Mitcchl addition to the above spondent being sen-ed y this summons there may e other parties who have n interest in this lawsuit. If ou have a claim for relief gainst the petitioner arising om the same transaction or currence, you must assert in your written answer. You ust ans1,ver the Complaint i writing, by you or your torney, on or before the ay of , 2021, (the same eing within thirty (30) days fter the Third Notice of iut), and if you fail to do so judgment will be entered gainst you for what the etitioner w.is demanded. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/19/21 03/26/21 04/02/21

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
IN THE MARION COURT
CASE NO:
49C01-0701-JP-003679
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE
OF MINOR:
RAMIAH WILLIAMS
Name of Minor
SHAKREEAH WILLIAMS
Petitioner
ORDER SETTING HEARING
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, SHAKREEAH WILLIAMS as a self-represented filigant, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name on to change the name of RAMIAH WILLIAMS to RAMIAH HOWARD. The Petition is schedule for hearing in the Court on May 18, 2021 at 4:00 pm 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 objections on or before the hearing date. Date: 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

YOUR AD COULD BE IN THIS SPOT CALL 317-924-5143 FOR DETAILS

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE
OF: SHAKEEAH WILLIAMS
Petitioner
CAUSE NO:
49C01-2103-MI-007520
ORDER SETTING HEARING AND NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Shakreeah Williams, filed a Petition in the Marion Circuit Court requesting that her name be changed to, Tette Williams. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on May 7, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. This matter will be held remotely, at the Court via a WebEx/Zoom invitation for attendance at the hearing. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21 04/09/21

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COURT
CASE NO:
49001-2103-MI-007837
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF MINOR:
KALAWK ABEDECO
TU'RENG THANG
HLA MAY
Petitioner
ORDER SETTING HEARING
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, Hla May, by counsel, having filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor, and the Court finds that the matter should be set for hearing. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this matter shall be heard on MAY 11, 2021, AT 9:00 A.M. This matter will be heard remotely, at the Court via a WebEx/Zoom invitation for attendance at the hearing. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21 04/09/21

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO:
49C01-2102-MI-007105
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF MINOR:
JAGN VANCHANBIAK
MONIGA TIALHOI LANG
Petitioner
ORDER SETTING HEARING
Comes now Petitioner, Monica Tialhoi lang, by counsel, having filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor, and the Court finds that the matter should be set for hearing. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this matter shall be heard on May 4, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court will issue a WebEx/Zoom invitation for attendance at the hearing. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION, ss:
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE
OF: JAMES TRIBLET
Petitioner
CAUSE NO:
49C01-2009-MI-030778
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, James, Triblet filed a verified Petition for Change of Name to change his name James Triplet to James Triblet. The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion County Indiana on April 30, 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. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO:
49C01-2102-MI-005029
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF:
NADIA VALLADARES-
CAMACHO
MINOR CHILD.
BY NEXT FRIEND:
MARIA AURELIA
CAMACHO CERVANTES
Co-Petitioners.
ORDER TO APPEAR
Comes now Petitioner, Nadia Valladares-Camacho, by next of friend and biological mother, Maria Aurelia Camacho Cervantes, in person and by counsel, Anthony Zapata, and files her Verified Petition for Name Change of a Minor. And, the Court, being duly advised in the premises, now finds that said Petition should be set for hearing and ORDERS that said Petition and all collateral matters shall be heard in the Marion County Circuit Court. This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court will issue a WebEx/Zoom invitation for attendance at the hearing on the 23rd day of April 2021 at 9:00 A.M. Parties Ordered to Appear. Petitioner Ordered to provide Notice by way of Publication pursuant to statute. Dated at Indiana, this 18th day of February, 2021. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/12/21 03/19/21 03/26/21

NAME CHANGE

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO:
49C01-2102-MI-006901
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF:
NATHANIEL HUGGINS,
An Adult.
For Change of Name
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that I have filed in the Office of the Clerk of Marion County Circuit Court my Petition for change of my name from Nathaniel Huggins to Nathaniel Wiggins and that said Petition will be heard by the Court on the 4th of May, 2021 or as soon thereafter as may be convenient with the Court, at 9:00 A.M. Any person who has the right to appear at this hearing and file an objection. This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court will issue a WebEx/Zoom invitation for attendance at the hearing. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21 04/09/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT 8, PROBATE DIVISION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
In the Matter of the Unsupervised Estate of James T. Cox Sr., deceased.
Estate Docket
49D08-2102-EU-005333
Notice is hereby given that Anita M Suttler was on February 24, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the unsupervised estate of James T. Cox Sr., deceased, who died on the 28th day of January, 2021. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana February 24, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA | IN THE MARION COUNTY | J SS: PROBATE DIVISION | COUNTY OF MARION | IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CAUSE NO. 49D08-2103-EU-008037 RONNIE WAYNE GERKIN, Deceased | JENNIFER S. GERKIN, Petitioner | NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION | Notice is hereby given that on the March 11, 2021, date, Karen Gerkin was appointed personal representative of the estate of Ronnie Wayne Gerkin, deceased, who died on March 1, 2021. All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Marion County, Indiana this March 11, 2021, Clerk of the Court of Marion County 5320-918061 03/19/21 03/26/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
ESTATE NO.:
49D08-21 03-EU-007242
IN THE ESTATE OF:
JOYCE A. BAKER,
DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, Notice is given that Anita Gray was, on March 2, 2021 appointed personal representative of Joyce A. Baker, deceased, who died on November 2, 2020, and is authorized to administer the estate Without court supervision. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of the MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, Probate Division within three (3) months from the date of publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months from the date of death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Marion County, Indiana, this March 2, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D08-2103-EU-007423
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF:
ELI HARRIS, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court, Probate Division, of Marion County, Indiana, Notice is hereby given that on March 5, 2021, Michelle Garba, was appointed the Personal Representative of the Estate of Eli Harris, who died on January 20, 2021. Said personal representative was authorized to administer said estate without Court supervision. All persons who have claims against the estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three(3) months from the date of this first publication of this notice, or within nine(9) months after decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Probate Date: March 5, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D08-2003-EU-012119
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF:
DAVID CHARLES BARNES, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Marion County, INDIANA In the matter Of the Estate of David Charles Barnes, deceased. Estate Docket: Notice is hereby given that Jeanette McIntyre was on March 23, 2020, appointed personal representative Of the estate of David Charles Barnes, deceased, who died On April 1, 2019. A11 persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date Of the first publication of this notice, Or Within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, Whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this March 23, 2020 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
ESTATE NO.:
49D08-2103-EU-008554
IN RE THE ESTATE OF:
CATHERINE L. BLACK,
DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, Notice is given that Ruth Hurlie was, on MARCH 11, 2021 appointed personal representative of Catherine L. Black, deceased, who died on February 23, 2021, and is authorized to administer the estate without court supervision. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in vthe office of the clerk of the MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, Probate Division, within three (3) months from the date of publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months from the date of death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this MARCH 11, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

49D08-2103-EU-007578
ST ATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF DONOVAN LYNN CHAMBERLIN)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion County Superior Court, Probate Division Notice is hereby given that Donna Weisberger was on March 9, 2021 appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Donovan Lynn Chamberlin, deceased, who died on the 1st day of December, 2020. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated: March 9, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT 8
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D08-2103-EU-008087
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF:
DOLORES J. YOUNG,
DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Tracy J. Pelton was on March 9, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Dolores J. Young, Deceased, who died on February 11, 2021. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this March 9, 2021, Clerk, Marion County Superior Court 8
Cara M. Chittenden
Disc. No. 27059-49
REBECCA W. GEYER & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D08-2103-EU-008611
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
OLIVE JEAN CAUGER-CHIPPER, Deceased.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that JOHN CAUGER, was on March 12, 2021 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of OLIVE JEAN CAUGER-CHIPPER, deceased, who died December 27, 2020. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at City1, Indiana, on March 12, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION ss.:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
PROBATE COURT
ESTATE DOCKET
49D08-21 03-EU-007267
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT A. FULTON, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on March 2, 2021, Michael J. Fulton, was appointed personal representative of the Estate of Robert A. Fulton, deceased, Who died On the 29th day Of December, 2021. A11 persons having claims against this estate, whether Or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date Of the first publication of this notice, Or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, Whichever is earlier, or the claims Will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this day of March 2, 2021. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D08-2102-EU-004293
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF ROBERT G. GREMORE, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
TO: ALL CREDITORS
In the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, Notice is hereby given that Charles G. Gremore II was on the February 8, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Robert G. Gremore, deceased. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this MARCH 8, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION SS:
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO:
49D08-2102-EU-005172
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF MICKEY SHARON MCCOLLY, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Kyle Elyse Niederpruem was, on March 8, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Donald J. Niederpruem, deceased, who died on the 5th day of February, 2021. All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

49D08-2103-EU-007919
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Cause No. 49D08-2103-EU-007919
In the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, Probate Division. Notice is hereby given that Kyle Elyse Niederpruem was, on March 8, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Donald J. Niederpruem, deceased, who died on the 5th day of February, 2021. All persons who have claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file their claim with the Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death (whichever is earlier), or said claims will be forever barred. Dated: February 18, 2021 Myla A. Eldridge, Clerk 03/26/21 04/02/21

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following project until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on the 15th day of April 2021 in Capital Program Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906-1101. West Lafayette Campus Math Building Annex Computer Electrical Upgrade - 2021 Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in Capital Program Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906. Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. (EDT) on the 22nd day of April 2021 to: Capital Program Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906 Phone (765) 4

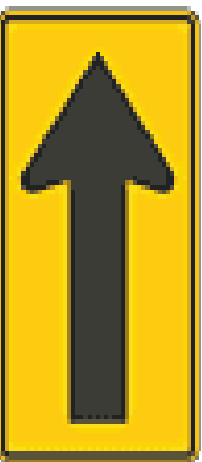
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PUBLIC NOTICE

AutoReturn will be having an abandoned vehicle auction 04/01/21 at 10:00 AM. The auction will be held online due to COVID-19. Register on the Joyride website (https://joyrideautos.com) to receive updates and browse vehicle auction inventory. All vehicle release prices as of 03/17/21. The following vehicles will be sold:

Year	Make	Model	VIN	Body	Amount
2003	ACURA	MDX	2HNYD18743H527452	SPORTS UTILITY	\$890.00
2005	ACURA	TSX	HA4CL9E85S006399	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2009	ACURA	TL	19UUA48659A0119961	4 DOOR	\$780.00
2000	BMW	3 SERIES	WBAAM5345YJ957652	4 DOOR	\$1,430.00
2002	BUICK	CENTURY	2G4W552J24121146	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2003	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HP52K734185389	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2004	BUICK	CENTURY	2G4W552J241208362	4 DOOR	\$830.00
2005	BUICK	LESABRE	1G4HR54K65U178766	4 DOOR	\$780.00
2007	BUICK	LACROSSE CX	2G4W05827Y1133365	4 DOOR	\$830.00
2009	BUICK	LUVERNE	1G4HP57M99U144426	4 DOOR	\$755.00
2014	BUICK	VERANO	1G4PP5K3M4E165244	4 DOOR	\$730.00
1995	CADILLAC	SEVILLE	1G6KY5290SU818904	4 DOOR	\$780.00
2002	CADILLAC	DEVILLE	1G6KD54Y02U123399	4 DOOR	\$705.00
2008	CADILLAC	STS	1G6DL67A580134737	4 DOOR	\$820.00
1995	CHEVROLET	CAPRICE	1G1BN53E1NR152978	4 DOOR	\$885.00
1995	CHEVROLET	"1500"	1GCEC19K86N130055	PICK UP	\$705.00
1998	CHEVROLET	LUMINA	1G31W152M9U136159	4 DOOR	\$705.00
1999	CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	1GNFK16R8XJ557443	SPORTS UTILITY	\$780.00
2000	CHEVROLET	PRIZM	1Y1SK5289Y2434679	4 DOOR	\$1,580.00
2001	CHEVROLET	EXPRESS	1GBJG31R511216537	VAN	\$1,400.00
2001	CHEVROLET	CAMARO	2G1FF22G312122419	2 DOOR	\$1,430.00
2002	CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1G1J5124X27488784	2 DOOR	\$755.00
2002	CHEVROLET	VENTURE	1G1J5124X27488784	2 DOOR	\$755.00
2004	CHEVROLET	TRAIL BLAZER	1GNET16S746193463	SPORTS UTILITY	\$755.00
2004	CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2GCEK19T341392212	PICK UP	\$680.00
2006	CHEVROLET	COBALT	1G1AL15F767776830	2 DOOR	\$805.00
2007	CHEVROLET	TRAIL BLAZER	1GN1D113S172267083	SPORTS UTILITY	\$755.00
2007	CHEVROLET	COBALT	1G1AL15F877126521	2 DOOR	\$755.00
2007	CHEVROLET	COBALT	1G1AL15F877126521	2 DOOR	\$755.00
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2007	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W858K779181081	4 DOOR	\$755.00
2008	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZG57B38F160673	4 DOOR	\$1,620.00
2008	CHEVROLET	HHR	3GNCA13D485708827	SPORTS UTILITY	\$780.00
2009	CHEVROLET	COBALT	1G1AK18H987104899	2 DOOR	\$830.00
2009	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2G1W152M99U136159	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2011	CHEVROLET	EQUINOX	2GNALBCE6B1176883	SPORTS UTILITY	\$915.00
2012	CHEVROLET	MALIBU	1G1ZE5E168F388691	4 DOOR	\$730.00
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1999	CHRYSLER	300M	2C3H40G74D930033	4 DOOR	\$1,530.00
2005	CHRYSLER	PACIFICA	2C4AGM6435R408311	SPORTS UTILITY	\$755.00
2006	CHRYSLER	300	2C3JA631H65H05862	4 DOOR	\$805.00
2006	CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	3A4FY58B66T338059	SPORTS UTILITY	\$740.00
2006	CHRYSLER	300	2C3KA53G76H520605	4 DOOR	\$1,055.00
2006	CHRYSLER	300	2C3KA53G76H520605	4 DOOR	\$1,055.00
2012	CHRYSLER	300	1C3CCB86C930071	4 DOOR	\$780.00
1997	DODGE	RAM VAN	2B6HB21Y8VK599320	VAN	\$755.00
1999	DODGE	DAKOTA	1B7GL22X3X5211221	PICK UP	\$805.00
2000	DODGE	GRAND CARA	2B4GP24G5YR729848	VAN	\$765.00
2000	DODGE	DAKOTA	1B7GL2A8XY3646822	PICK UP	\$780.00
2000	DODGE	TAURUS	4B83A52H12E155565	4 DOOR	\$1,510.00
2006	DODGE	RAM	1D7H41821E193679	PICK UP	\$1,250.00
2007	DODGE	GRAND CARA	1D4GP24R17B185319	VAN	\$710.00
2008	DODGE	AVENGER	1B3LC56K78N666251	4 DOOR	\$830.00
2008	DODGE	CHARGER	2B3KA43R58H115628	4 DOOR	\$845.00
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2010	DODGE	CALIBER	2D4HP33N98W268712	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2011	DODGE	NITRO	1D4PU5K6B8W511899	SPORTS UTILITY	\$780.00
2014	DODGE	JOURNEY	1C34DPCABE7119393	SPORTS UTILITY	\$880.00
1992	FORD	RANGER	1FTCR10U5N0UD0570	PICK UP	\$805.00
1994	FORD	F250	2FTCH256HRC446305	PICK UP	\$680.00
1994	FORD	OTHER	3FCLF53GXJRJ051163	MOTOR HOME	\$1,310.00
1994	FORD	MUSTANG	1F4FH37D75B355329	PICK UP	\$780.00
1996	FORD	F350	FDKF37H1TEA51599	PICK UP	\$780.00
1998	FORD	EXPLORER	1FMYU21E85WUB18244	SPORTS UTILITY	\$755.00
1999	FORD	EXPEDITION	1FMPU14E5LX873475	SPORTS UTILITY	\$2,005.00
1999	FORD	F150	1FTRX1817XKB04572	PICK UP	\$755.00
1999	FORD	F250	1FTNX2019XEB73309	PICK UP	\$680.00
2001	FORD	FOCUS	1FAFP343R1W339136	SPORTS UTILITY	\$705.00
2002	FORD	FOCUS	1FAFP363XW151054	SPORTS UTILITY	\$705.00
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2004	FORD	TAURUS	1FAHP56S13A126764	4 DOOR	\$780.00
2004	FORD	TAURUS	1FAHP56JUX44186745	4 DOOR	\$812.00
2005	FORD	F150	1FTRW145X5FB30641	PICK UP	\$760.00
2005	FORD	ESCAPE	1FMYU94125K877462	SPORTS UTILITY	\$730.00
2005	FORD	FIVE HUNDRED	1FAFP24145G122630	4 DOOR	\$1,475.00
2006	FORD	ESCAPE	1FMYU93176K0D0912	SPORTS UTILITY	\$1,005.00
2007	FORD	CROWN VICT	2FAHP71W17X128680	4 DOOR	\$805.00
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2009	FORD	ESCAPE	1FMCU93729K829174	SPORTS UTILITY	\$805.00
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2009	FORD	RANGER	1FTRY10E99PA45744	PICK UP	\$705.00
2011	FORD	ESCAPE	1FMCUJ0738K8C22005	SPORTS UTILITY	\$915.00
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2013	FORD	FOCUS	1FADP362DL182918	4 DOOR	\$835.00
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1995	GMC	OTHER	1GDEG2GK2SF535897	VAN	\$705.00
2001	GMC	SAVANA	1GKFG6S8011185697	VAN	\$680.00
2002	GMC	ENVOY	1GKTD13S122155244	SPORTS UTILITY	\$755.00
2002	GMC	YUKON XL 1500	1GKFK18Z011411528	SPORTS UTILITY	\$885.00
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2006	HONDA	RIDGELINE	2HYJK16496H576022	PICK UP	\$855.00
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2007	HONDA	CIVIC	1HGFA16537L055469	4 DOOR	\$680.00
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2001	HYUNDAI	ACCENT	KMHND46D84U866639	4 DOOR	\$760.00
2003	JAGUAR	X-TYPE	SAJEA51C93WD14373	4 DOOR	\$1,380.00
1993	JEEP	CHEROKEE	1J4FJ78S8Y8L76671	SPORTS UTILITY	\$805.00
1999	JEEP	GRAND CHER	1J4GJW58S0XC697222	SPORTS UTILITY	\$1,080.00
2004	JEEP	LIBERTY	1J4GL48K64W326689	SPORTS UTILITY	\$865.00
2004	JEEP	GRAND CHER	1J4GJW46S8A02C0089	SPORTS UTILITY	\$1,472.50
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2007	JEEP	COMPASS	1J8FF47W57D205612	SPORTS UTILITY	\$860.00
2016	JEEP	PATRIOT	1C4NJFFA1GD785398	SPORTS UTILITY	\$710.00
2005	KIA	SORENTO	KNDJC733855460902	SPORTS UTILITY	\$1,300.00
2008	KIA	SPECTRA	KNAFE122985496041	4 DOOR	\$735.00
2006	LEXUS	IS 250	JTHCK265265005074	4 DOOR	\$765.00
2005	LEXUS	IS 250X	JTHCK265265005074	4 DOOR	\$765.00
1996	LINCOLN	TOWN CAR	1LNLM82W3T718564	4 DOOR	\$1,435.00
2006	MAZDA	MPV	JM3LW8347460570250	VAN	\$805.00
1998	MERCURY	MYSTIQUE	1MEFM66L7W6K58493	4 DOOR	\$1,485.00
2002	MERCURY	SABLE	1MEFM050U42G626349	4 DOOR	\$705.00
1998	NISSAN	PRIORITIER	1N6DD21Y7KC305621	PICK UP	\$780.00
2001	NISSAN	ALTIMA	1N4AL11D45C90142	4 DOOR	\$1,480.00
2007	NISSAN	ALTIMA	1N4AL21E97K156313	4 DOOR	\$680.00
2011	NISSAN	ALTIMA	1N4AL2EP3BC171765	4 DOOR	\$760.00
2012	NISSAN	ALTIMA	1N4AL2AP6CC174358	4 DOOR	\$795.00
2012	NISSAN	ROGUE	JN8AS5MTC0W263398	SPORTS UTILITY	\$780.00
2014	NISSAN	VERSA	3N1CE2CP0EL396253	4 DOOR	\$1,580.00
2019	NISSAN	OTHER	3N1CE2CP0EL396253	4 DOOR	\$1,630.00
2019	NISSAN	VERSA	3N1AB8CVLX284954	4 DOOR	\$1,905.00
1999	OLDSMOBILE	SENTRA	1G3NH12K9X4801951	4 DOOR	\$830.00
2020	OLDSMOBILE	88	1G3NH12K9X4801951	4 DOOR	\$830.00
-	OTHER-NOT IN LIST		NO VIN	SCOOTER	\$755.00
2017	OTHER-NOT IN LIST		L9NT0CBAD3L1010555	TRAILER	\$1,905.00
1984	PONTIAC	FIERO	46UFL026H1702618	2 DOOR	\$1,705.00
2000	PONTIAC	GRAND AM	1G2AM07R0E2P26888	2 DOOR	\$735.00
2002	PONTIAC	GRAND AM	1G2NW552EX2C151489	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2002	PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	1G2WK52J82F194689	4 DOOR	\$705.00
2003	PONTIAC	GRAND AM	1G2NW552E63C130057	4 DOOR	\$780.00
2003	PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	1G2WJ4864E139020	4 DOOR	\$755.00
2005	PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	2G2WV5227Y51161334	4 DOOR	\$780.00
2005	PONTIAC	VIBE	5Y2SL638352406801	4 DOOR	\$1,490.00
2006	PONTIAC	G6	1G2ZF5584A464217313	4 DOOR	\$835.00
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2006	PONTIAC	G6	1G2Z568974727270	4 DOOR	\$860.00
2008	PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	2G2WV5228Y1135531	4 DOOR	\$1,430.00
2008	PONTIAC	G6	1G2ZG57N484127411	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2009	PONTIAC	OTHER	6G2ER57769L184472	4 DOOR	\$1,430.00
2013	PORSCH	CAYENNE	WP1AD2A22DLA74298	SPORTS UTILITY	\$1,930.00
2002	SATURN	S SERIES	1G8Z5528222634101	4 DOOR	\$880.00
2005	SATURN	OTHER	5G2ZDV03L35D16809	4 DOOR	\$1,630.00
2007	SATURN	VUE	5G2ZC33D275843441	SPORTS UTILITY	\$780.00
2008	SATURN	AURA	1G8Z557N48F220969	4 DOOR	\$830.00
1996	TOYOTA	COROLLA	1NXBB02ESTZ498751	4 DOOR	\$740.00
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1997	TOYOTA	T100	JT4JM11D8V0018236	PICK UP	\$740.00
1999	TOYOTA	CAMRY	4T1B622K9XU471256	4 DOOR	\$730.00
1999	TOYOTA	CAMRY	1T1B622K1XU408544	4 DOOR	\$830.00
2005	TOYOTA	PRIUS	JTDK862K1U408544	4 DOOR	\$945.00
2006	TOYOTA	CAMRY	4T1CE30P76U601142	2 DOOR	\$830.00
2006	TOYOTA	AVALON	4T1BK36BXU086458	4 DOOR	\$1,455.00
2007	TOYOTA	RAV4	JTMBK31V375031027	SPORTS UTILITY	\$780.00
2014	TOYOTA	COROLLA	YFYBFA1E4EP022632	4 DOOR	\$1,630.00
2014	TOYOTA	TRAILER-GENERIC	MVIN131985ND	TRAILER	\$812.50
2003	TRAILER-GENERIC		1L9CA15223F216342	OTHER	\$855.00
2003	VOLKSWAGEN	BETTLE	3WVKC21Y43M321755	CONVERTIBLE	\$780.00
2003	VOLKSWAGEN	BETTLE	3WVBK21K73M415614	HATCH BACK	\$860.00
2006	VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	3WVPS17K46M804675	4 DOOR	\$705.00
2007	VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	3WVNZM71K98141231	4 DOOR	\$730.00
2007	VOLKSWAGEN	EOS	WVBWA71F08V050025	CONVERTIBLE	\$1,120.00
2011	VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	3WVBK7AJ3BM385913	4 DOOR	\$1,175.00

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Indiana's Finest Wrecker will be having an auction/public sale on April 5th, 2021 at 8AM, 7576 W Washington St Indianapolis, IN 46231. List of vehicles to be included in the sale:

Year	Make	VIN
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March Madness sweeps through Indiana



Indiana Farmers Coliseum was one of several venues in Central Indiana to host NCAA Tournament games through the first two rounds. Other sites included Lucas Oil Stadium, Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Assembly Hall in Bloomington and Mackey Arena in West Lafayette. (Photo/Josh Duplechian/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)



Oregon (No. 7 seed) forward Eugene Omoruyi skies through the air for a dunk in the Ducks' 95-80 win over Iowa (2) in the second round March 22 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. Oregon is the lowest-seeded team left in the West region and will play USC (6) in the Sweet 16. (Photo/Jack Dempsey/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)



Norfolk State (No. 16 seed) guard Joe Bryant Jr. defends Gonzaga (1) guard Andrew Nembhard. Norfolk State was one of two HBCUs to advance to the first round of the tournament after winning its First Four game but lost to the Bulldogs, 98-55, March 20 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. The other HBCU was Texas Southern (16), which lost to Michigan (1). (Photo/Joe Robbins/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)



Michigan (No. 1 seed) guard Chaundee Brown Jr. celebrates during the Wolverines' 86-78 win over LSU (8) in the second round of the NCAA Tournament on March 22 at Lucas Oil Stadium. Brown scored 21 points off the bench. Michigan will play Florida State (4) in the Sweet 16. (Photo/Jamie Schwaberow/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)



Oral Roberts (No. 15 seed) forward Kevin Obanor flexes from the floor during the Golden Eagles' first round upset win over Ohio State (2), 75-72, on March 19 at Mackey Arena. Oral Roberts has become the Cinderella of the tournament and will play Arkansas (3) in the Sweet 16. The Golden Eagles are the second No. 15 seed to make it this far in a tournament, joining Florida Gulf Coast. (Photo/Andy Hancock/NCAA Photos/NCAA Photos via Getty Images)

March was bound to be mad; NCAA tourney hasn't disappointed

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

Considering how everything else has gone this past year, March was bound to be mad. So far, it hasn't disappointed.

The last perfect NCAA Tournament bracket was busted before the first round was over. The second round just wrapped with an even dozen upsets already in the books — a record for the opening 48 games and just one shy of the mark for the entire tournament — with all kinds of possibilities still out there.

"You gotta bring that fire," said Gonzaga big man Drew Timme, whose team is the tournament's overall top seed. "Because all it takes is one good game and you can be out."

Oklahoma, in fact, played a very good game against Timme's Bulldogs and still got crushed, 87-71. So did No. 10 Maryland, bounced by No. 2 Alabama, 96-77, and fifth-seeded Colorado, sent packing 71-53 by No. 4 Florida State.

Ditto for the five other teams that lost March 22 — by the lopsided average of 18 points.

Sixth-seeded USC beat No. 3 Kansas by 34, but failed to meet the NCAA definition of an upset: "defined as a win by a team seeded five spots lower than their opponent." No. 7 Oregon's win over second-seeded Iowa qualified, even though it was by "only" 15. No. 1 seed Michigan finally wriggled free of LSU, 86-78, in the day's only really close game.

Seedings can seem off in any year, but never more so than in this one. The pandemic wreaked havoc on nearly every team, but hit some harder than others, and at different times.

Kansas, for example, had one star, David McCormack, who cleared the COVID-19 protocol just

hours before its first-round game, and another, Jalen Wilson, just a day before he came off the bench against USC. Widely considered the toughest league this past season, the Big Ten Conference got nine invites and is down to Michigan. West Coast teams, often overlooked and rarely overrated, may have finally benefitted from being underrated this time around.

Unbeaten Gonzaga was a lock to be the tourney's top seed, but the rest of the Left Coast contingent that made it to the Sweet 16 — USC (a No. 6), Oregon (7), UCLA (11) and Oregon State (12), all Pac-12 Conference members — were supposed to be in disarray. Suddenly, though, they look like ringers descending on the local country club for those annual member-guest handicap golf tournaments.

Oregon gambled by playing up-tempo out of the gate and focusing its defense on every Hawkeye but Luka Garza, everybody's player of the year. Garza wound up with 36 points in the final game of a storied college career, but it was clear by halftime even he couldn't beat the Ducks by himself.

"It hit me all at once that this is the last time I'll put on this jersey," Garza said, fighting back tears. "I feel bad I wasn't able to lead this team where it needs to go. ... It's something that's going to haunt me forever."

For all the chaos unleashed in the first two rounds, Gonzaga still looks like the class of the field. The Bulldogs are balanced, deep, capable of playing fast or slow and have two of the best players in the game, Jalen Suggs and Corey Kispert. Most important, perhaps, they were among the best at handling the disruptions of a rocky season as it began, then progressed and seem even more comfortable in the midst of all the craziness swirl-

ing around the tournament now.

Much of the credit deservedly belongs to coach Mark Few, who has won just about everything but the national championship that would validate all those other achievements. The Bulldogs play Creighton next, in their sixth straight Sweet 16 appearance, on a roll of 32 straight wins dating to last season, but Few won't let his players get caught up looking too far ahead.

"We've been celebrating every one of these wins. We celebrated the other night. We celebrated this one," he said after beating Oklahoma.

"If we're lucky enough to get another one, we're going to celebrate like crazy for that one. This tournament," he concluded after the win against Oklahoma, "needs to be celebrated."

