

New campaign hopes to destigmatize domestic violence

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A new campaign launched by the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV) shares the stories of survivors, in their own words, to decrease the stigma surrounding getting help. The #INAgainstDA campaign initially will focus on Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Evansville and Gary before spreading to the entire state.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, which led to victims being isolated with their abuser, the rate of domestic violence-related homicides has increased 100% in Indiana.

The organization spoke with 91 people throughout the state — a diverse pool of races, genders, sexual orientations, ages and locations — to gather information on the stigma they



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Chris Williams sits near the Soldiers and Sailors Monument downtown in December 2019. (Recorder file photo)

Homelessness in Indy at 10-year high

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The number of people experiencing homelessness was at a 10-year high when volunteers counted in January, the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention announced July 28.

Volunteers counted 1,928 people experiencing homelessness, 340 more than in 2020. That represents an 18% increase.

The coalition conducts a count annually as part of a mandate from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the Center for Research on Inclusion and Social Policy at IUPUI produces a report.

The count was different this year because of the pandemic. Volunteers worked from Jan. 18-22 and asked people where they stayed on the night of the 18th. The count usually happens in one night.

A closer look at the numbers

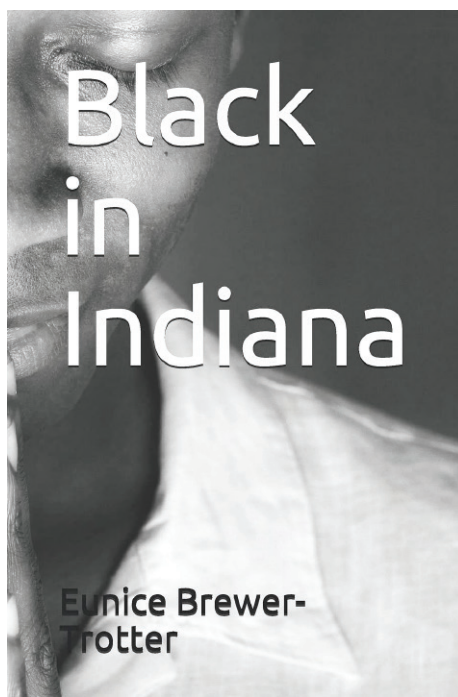
People who identify as Black or African American continue to make up a disproportionate number of people experiencing homelessness. They accounted for almost 54% of the total count this year, which is about the same as it was in 2020.

People experiencing homelessness can be part of three categories: sheltered, unsheltered or other (meaning they might be stay-

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'You have to know who your family is': Former Recorder owner pens first book

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Eunice Trotter spent over 30 years tracing her ancestry. After she discovered all of this information, she asked herself, "What do I do with it?"

Now, she tells the story through her first book. "Black in Indiana" follows Mary Bateman Clark, who, despite being free, found herself in another form of slavery — indentured servitude. She would go on to win a lawsuit that would outlaw the practice of indentured servitude in Indiana in 1821.

"You have to know who your family is," Trotter said her father always

told her. "That stuck with me. I wanted to know who these people were and how they got here."

The book is based on the genealogy information Trotter found about Clark — her paternal great-great-grandmother.

Clark initially lost her case, but later appealed it to the Indiana State Supreme Court. This case was the first to address indentured servitude and received an opinion from the Indiana State Supreme Court. It set the precedent for other cases regarding slavery in the form of involuntary servitude as illegal due to the 13th Amendment in the United States Constitution.

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IU out to prove it's a real Big Ten contender

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Everyone wants to talk about what the Indiana Hoosiers did last season, and for good reason. The program seemed to finally turn a corner to become a legitimate threat in the Big Ten, falling a win short of playing for a conference championship.

Head coach Tom Allen and his players are happy to talk about what that season meant, but they only do it in the context of what it means for 2021 and beyond.

"Everything you did last year is awesome," Allen said at Big Ten Media Days, which were in Indianapolis this year instead of Chicago. "It's great, but



Indiana redshirt junior quarterback Michael Penix Jr. speaks with reporters during Big Ten Media Days on July 23, 2021, in Indianapolis. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

it's in the past."

Indiana started the pandemic-shortened 2020 season with a surprise win over Penn State thanks to one of the best plays of the college football season from redshirt junior quarterback Michael Penix Jr. The Hoosiers then beat Michigan for the first time since

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Jeff Brohm says Purdue football is 'close,' but close to what?

By **TYLER FENWICK**
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Purdue head coach Jeff Brohm has some ideas about how to raise the Boilermakers to a more relevant position in the Big Ten West this season. He's getting more involved with the defense and wants an aggressive unit. He said he'll play three quarterbacks on offense if that's what makes sense.

Brohm, getting ready for his fifth season in West Lafayette, embodies a sense of urgency in a program that hasn't been to a bowl game since 2018.



Purdue junior wide receiver David Bell speaks to reporters at Big Ten Media Days on July 23, 2021, in Indianapolis. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

Brohm believes the Boilermakers are close. He's got a Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year candidate in junior wide receiver David Bell and a revamped defensive coaching staff that includes three co-defensive coordinators.

"I really feel like we're close," he said at Big Ten Media Days, which were in In-

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How students made up for learning loss this summer

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Students in a second grade classroom at a local summer learning program spent a recent morning working on cards to give people who have helped them through the last couple of months.

It might be routine for most of them at this point, but their voices were muffled by a face mask as they excitedly shared with classmates what they were drawing.

Second graders get artistic discretion. They can deviate from form for the sake of fun. When it comes to the academic side, though, Christena Lothery, a high school intern with the Horizons program at St. Richard's Episcopal School, said it's clear the pandemic has put many students behind.

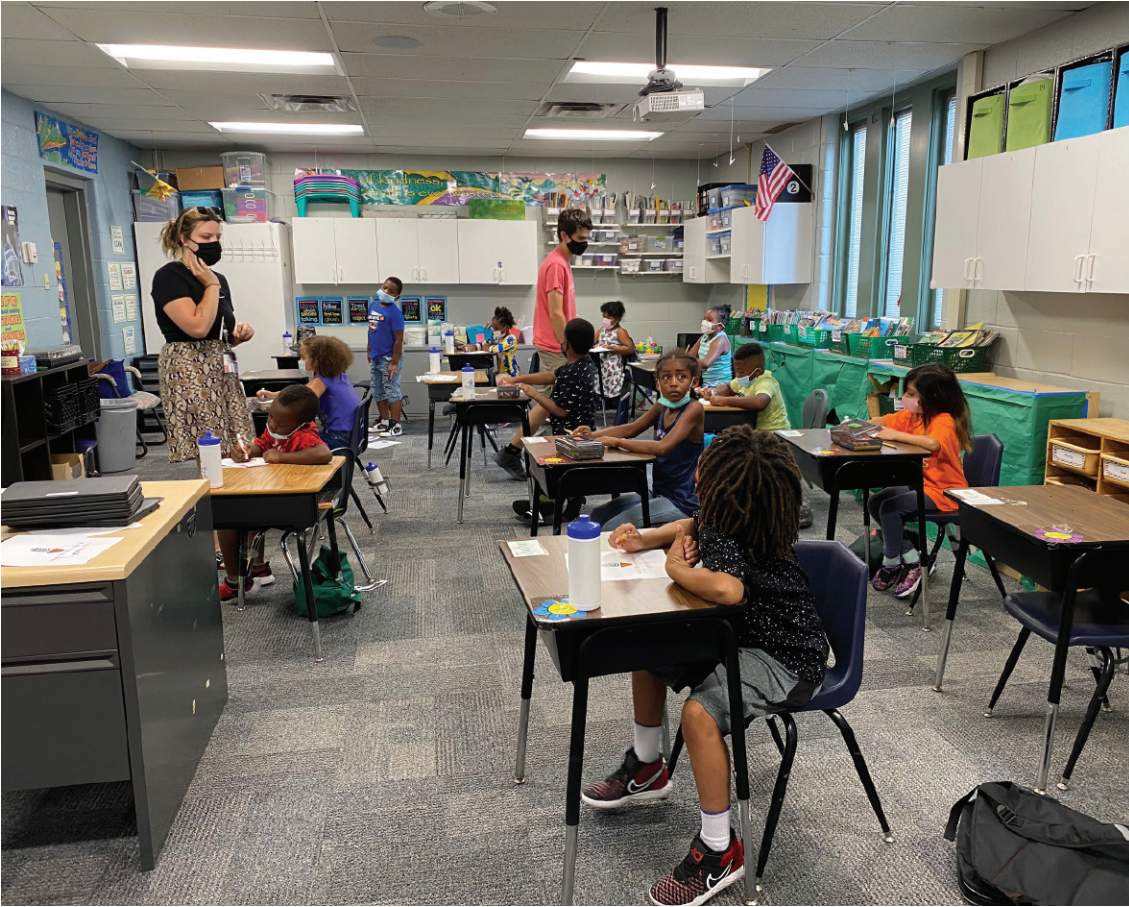
"I'll ask a question, and they'll be like, 'I don't know what this is,'" said Lothery, who works with second graders and is getting ready for her junior year.

Odds and evens? Don't know. Past-tense verbs? Blank.

"You can tell they didn't really learn anything virtually," she said.

Researchers saw this coming more than a year ago, just after schools went virtual.

"The COVID-19 crisis is a call to action for practitioners and policy makers alike," researchers Megan Kuhfeld and Beth Tarasawa wrote for the education nonprofit NWEA. "Once schools are back in session, we must be prepared to support students, many of whom will likely be behind academically."



Students in a second grade classroom at Horizons at St. Richard's Episcopal School make cards for people who have helped them this summer. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

That was in April 2020. Nearly 16 months later, educators are getting a clearer look at how virtual learning affected their students.

All of the students at Horizons, part of a national summer program, are on free and reduced lunch during the school year. Horizons, which is housed at St. Richard's but isn't otherwise affiliated with the private school, is a tuition-free program for K-8 students to help reduce that infamous "summer slide" in academics. The program includes counseling and swim lessons.

Patrice Laura, a reading specialist at Horizons for pre-K through fourth grade,

is optimistic that students have learned something about resiliency and being adaptable through all of this, but it's the students who need one-on-one attention she's worried about.

Some learning accommodations simply weren't possible in an online setting, and Laura has noticed they're struggling more now.

"I've seen them plateau or take a dip," she said.

For students who just graduated from high school and want to go to college, any pandemic-related dip could have even more serious consequences. Rebecca Rahschulte, vice president of K-14 initiatives at Ivy Tech

Community College, believes COVID-19 is partly to blame for why some students haven't met college readiness benchmarks.

Ivy Tech, in partnership with the state Department of Education and Commission for Higher Education, is hosting a program called Summer Bridge for students who graduated high school this year but still need some academic improvement before going to college.

There are 397 students enrolled now, Rahschulte said. The goal is for this to be a pilot program, which is free and includes an initial evaluation and course through Ivy Tech.

Rahschulte said inconsistency in the classroom setting — going back and forth between in-person and virtual learning — and the stress that has come with living through a pandemic have made a difference for students.

"I think all of these factors definitely played a role in that college readiness aspect," she said.

Sara DeSantis is still operating in the virtual world as a tutor. She started in January 2020 with TutorMe, where students ask a question that gets sent out to any tutors who are online.

DeSantis doesn't video chat with every student she works with, but she can get an idea for race and gender based on profile pictures. That's how she's determined Black students seem to be further behind.

"But they are some of the hardest working students I work with," she said, "because they're given this opportunity."

DeSantis only has a few months of pre-COVID-19 tutoring to compare against, but students got "more panicky" when the pandemic started, she said. One student, a veteran in college, had 10 minutes to submit a paper and needed help. He had just lost his home and job.

"I try to be like a friend," DeSantis said, noting that she is absolutely not a counselor. "If they tell me these things, I definitely listen."

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‘IT CERTAINLY WASN’T A LOVE FEST’: Indianapolis Public Library staff call for CEO resignation

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The Indianapolis Public Library (IndyPL) administration remains under fire for their response to racism allegations from former and current staff members. During a board of trustees meeting July 26, several employees and community members called for IndyPL CEO Jackie Nytes and board President Judge Jose Salinas to resign.

Several speakers took issue with an email from Nytes that was inadvertently sent to staff members at the Eagle Branch, among others, on July 23.

“... I assume you have seen the recent press about the Library, much of which is the result of some personal disagreements,” Nytes wrote. “We are talking about a letter from Black community leaders supporting me, the board and the Library. This could be sent as a Letter to the Editor of the Star, IBJ and Recorder with multiple signatures. DO you think you could recruit some Black leaders to sign it? Would you sign it? I don’t want to offend by asking, but it is clear that the Library is getting damaged by the current narrative and I just don’t think it is an accurate narrative and I am trying to counter it!”

In a statement, Nytes told the Recorder she feels public letters from people who know her professionally would “help tell a more complete story about our work.”

Mollie Beaumont, a Latinx children’s librarian at IndyPL, said she was asked by administration not to speak at the board meeting. However, she addressed the board to share that she is “ashamed and embarrassed” about what is going on, and there is a “tokenization” of workers of color.

Derek Ford, community member and a member of the Party for Socialism and Liberation, said Nytes’ depiction of recent allegations as a “personal disagreement” was “intellectually dishonest” and the issues within IndyPL are systemic.

The controversy began following the May board of trustees virtual meeting when Salinas muted former employee Bree Flannelly while she shared her experiences with alleged racism and ableism. Salinas said he was concerned about protecting workers’ privacy.

Since Flannelly’s address to the board — which included an allegation that IndyPL staff have referred to Black patrons as “porch monkeys” and Black workers aren’t valued — dozens of people have spoken to the Recorder to share their experiences with racism within the institution, ranging from staff members to a former board member.

Sharon Cruz, a “grateful patron” of IndyPL, said she supports calls from the Library Workers Union for Nytes to resign, saying library leadership must be able to lead an inclusive institution.

“This leadership has proven they are not capable of handling the vestiges of the 20th century,” Cruz said. “At what point should we the taxpayers put our foot down?”

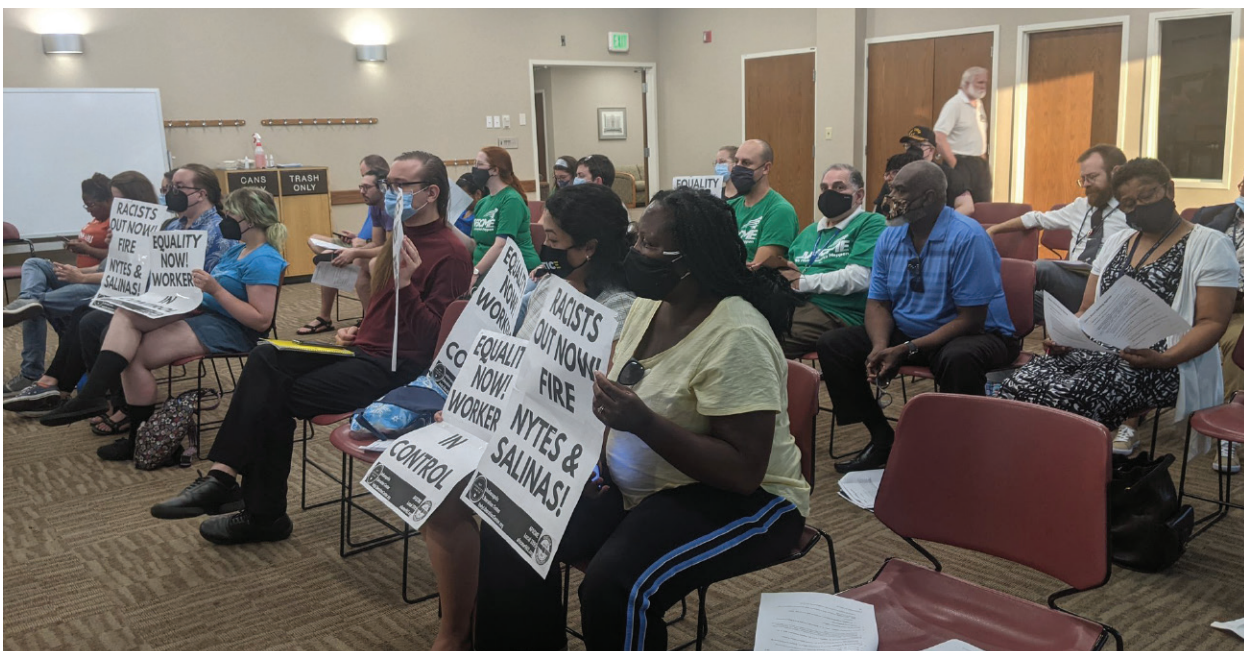
In the first six months of 2021, the library has received \$25.2 million in revenue, mostly coming from property taxes, according to a report from the treasurer.

Labor activist Doris Jones recalled being kicked out of an IndyPL branch when her then-infant daughter was making noise, but said none of the white families with loud children were approached by library staff. Jones, who was applying for jobs when she was kicked out, said many Indianapolis residents use the library to access things they don’t have at home, such as the internet and printers, to further their careers and lives.

“When you deny me, you deny my daughter’s future,” Jones told the board. “Put yourself in our shoes for once, and if you can’t do that, you need to step the hell down.”

Library Workers Union President Michael Torres said the union’s demand that Nytes step down still stands, and the union wants to “build a leadership for everyone.”

“This is not ending,” Torres told the board. “... We realized our leader still does not understand what is really happening. Due to the urgency of



Members of the Library Workers Union and the Party for Socialism and Liberation filled the July IndyPL board of trustees meeting to call for CEO Jackie Nytes and board President Judge Jose Salinas to step down. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

recent events ... and because the CEO appears to be in denial of what is happening in the library, we believe she needs to step aside.”

Nytes has reiterated several times that she has no plans of resigning. Following the board meeting, Nytes was confronted by community member Connie Thompson about the email asking for support from the Black community.

“Look at the language of the email,” Nytes told Thompson, who said during the meeting that the allegations made her rethink going to the library. “It wasn’t self-serving. There’s a lot of support for myself, the board and the library.”

Nytes told Thompson she felt “attacked” during the public comments section of the meeting, and that it “certainly wasn’t a love fest” when asked by Thompson to elaborate.

Internal climate study debate

Following the public comments section of the meeting, the board discussed the internal climate study, which was proposed by board member Dr. Khaula Murtadha last month. While Murtadha said she originally proposed the study — which would consist of a task force made up of employees on the library’s equity council — board members Curtis Bigsbee and Salinas filed the proposal under the Diversity, Policy and Human Resources Committee. Murtadha, who is leading the climate study, is not a member of said committee.

Committee chair Hope Tribble suggested having an independent organization lead the study to get an unbiased look at what is happening in

the library. However, both Murtadha and board member Dr. Patricia Payne noted independent studies have taken place within the library several times since 2018.

Further, Murtadha said involving members of the equity council and people who love the library would allow the study to capture the “complexity, the good, the bad and the ugly.”

The meeting was interrupted by a community member at this point, who expressed concern that the climate study was being sabotaged because Nytes wasn’t allowed to take part in the study.

During a diversity, policy and human resources committee meeting July 8, Nytes told Murtadha that she expected to have “some sort of ... role in the committee,” because “I think that’s an important way for me to serve as a resource.”

Neither Payne nor Murtadha think Nytes should take part in information gathering for the study. Further, Torres said people wouldn’t come forward if Nytes was involved.

Salinas said he was in favor of having a climate study, but if a task force of library employees oversaw it, there would have to be clear guidelines to protect the privacy of employees. Tribble, Murtadha and Library Workers Union President Michael Torres all called for the creation of an anonymous complaint system, where workers could voice their concerns without fear of retaliation.

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Eunice Trotter

“In Indiana slavery wasn’t called slavery, it was called indentured servitude,” Trotter said. “For African Americans, you were indentured your whole life.”

Trotter said the title of the book came from the phrase “Back in Indiana” to give the reader a brief description of what’s in store before they start reading.

“To me, what this book is about is the foundation in this state for the earliest settlement of Black people,” she said. “I couldn’t think of a more fitting way to put that. So that’s why I said ‘Black in Indiana.’”

Trotter said her favorite chapter is 13, “They Ain’t Never Gonna Change,” a saying that came from her father.

“I made that chapter resonate with my father because that was his attitude,” she said. “This chapter is about my father whose ancestor had

his cabin attacked. A couple of his siblings were killed, and his house was set on fire.”

She found this story highlighted in a Vincennes newspaper during her research and wanted the story to be told.

“I wanted that anger to vent,” she said.

With years of genealogical work to learn about her ancestral roots under her belt, she now helps others begin to do the same through her “Tracing Your Family Roots” workshop held at the Ujamaa Community Bookstore at Planner House.

Trotter said the experience of leading the workshop has been enjoyable to watch because she sees others doing the same research she’s done. She hopes those who take time to do the research find a way to pen this information so it can last for generations to come.

“All of our history is getting wiped out because we aren’t writing it ourselves,” Trotter said. “Black in Indiana” was released Dec. 1, 2020, and is available at the Ujamaa Community Bookstore and online.

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Black photographers showcase art at Central Library



Lenny White poses with two of the three photographs in the “Black Photography Exhibition.” (Photo provided by Lenny White)

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Dozens of multisized photographs hung on the walls of an old camera shop on the south side of Chicago, but none of those photos impressed 17-year-old Lenny White. He had been to the shop many times but had no interest in photography until the day he saw a contact sheet — a small sheet of paper with a montage of film camera images.

“It was the most beautiful thing in the world,” he said.

White learned how to use a film camera that day, and when the digital camera was created, he learned how to use that one too. Now, the 69-year-old has three of his photographs hanging in the “Black Photography Exhibition” at Central Library.

The “Black Photography Exhibition” was created by We Are Indy Arts to recognize local Black photographers and showcase their work to the public. We Are Indy Arts is a Black art organization that strives to support local Black artists through networking and exposure of their work.

Anthony Radford, the exhibit curator, hopes the exhibit will bring awareness to the lack of diversity



The “Black Photography Exhibition” at Central Library showcases the artwork of local Black photographers. The exhibit is free and available to the public during library hours. (Photo/Abriana Herron)

within Indianapolis’ art institutions, especially when it comes to showcasing African American artwork.

“We have a lot of great artists in this city, but we have never had an all-Black photography exhibit,” he said. “We hope to bring something a little different and shed light on local Black photographers.”

The exhibit is free to the public and available to view during library hours. The last day to view the exhibit is Aug. 14.

Rebecca Robinson, one of the artists who helped create the Black Lives Matter mural on Indiana Avenue, has photographs hanging on walls and in display cases at the library. A mixed media artist, Robinson paints, writes and does some film work. While living in Atlanta, she also created the fashion company named PSNOB in 2001, but she found that fashion limited her artistic abilities.

“I didn’t want people to recognize me as PSNOB,” the multifaceted artist said. “I wanted them to recog-

nize me as Rebecca Robinson.”

Bruce Armstrong has several photos on display, but his favorite is “Closed,” which was taken in New York City. The honey-brown lighting illuminates the subject of the photograph — a stack of intricately balanced chairs. He’s often questioned about why he took a photo of chairs. The questions and engagement with his work is what he loves about photography.

“What you see is what I saw,” he said. “Click, there it is.”

Next year, We Are Indy Arts’ goal is to expand the exhibit to have more Black photographers.

“It feels good to be able to share your work to the general community and have a space to do so,” Radford said. “It’s a great exhibit. I am proud of it.”

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If you go

The “Black Photography Exhibition” is open now through Aug. 14.

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During a board meeting July 21, Metropolitan School District (MSD) of Washington Township board members addressed if critical race theory (CRT) should be discussed in their schools and included in the K-12 school curriculum.

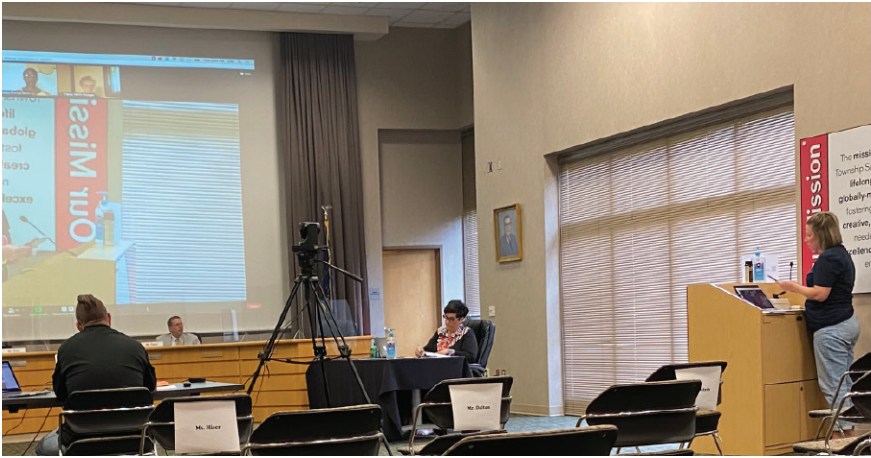
Parents, teachers, faculty and community members stood at the front of the room as the board clarified CRT — a concept that emerged from legal analysis which seeks to understand racism as a social construct and how it impacts racial groups, legal systems and policies.

While it is not a part of the curriculum, board members said their schools are a “safe space” for students and faculty to discuss topics related to CRT.

Washington Township school officials wanted to start the conversation of CRT in schools, making them one of the first in Marion County to speak about the concept.

“We wanted to take a proactive approach rather than a reactive approach,” said Dr. Nikki Woodson, superintendent of Washington Township schools.

CRT has become a controversial subject nationwide, especially in schools. Concerned parents have filled school board meetings either demanding the discussion of CRT be banned from schools or advocating the concept become a part of K-12 curriculum.



Lawmakers in Arizona, Idaho, Iowa, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas have banned teaching CRT in schools. Florida prohibited the teaching of CRT in June, making it the latest state to ban the concept. Other states such as Ohio, Wisconsin, North Carolina, Michigan and Pennsylvania are considering banning CRT in schools.

Recently in Hamilton County, angry parents came to school board meetings for all four districts — Carmel Clay, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville and Westfield Washington — to protest CRT.

Dr. Erica Buchanan-Rivera, the director of equity and inclusion at the district, believes the community should understand CRT.

While critical race theory (CRT) is not a part of the K-12 curriculum, Metropolitan School District of Washington Township board members said schools are a “safe space” for its students to discuss CRT, a concept that emerged from legal analysis which seeks to understand racism as a social construct and how it impacts racial groups, legal systems and policies. (Photo/Abriana Herron)

“It’s important to clarify,” she said. “There’s a lot of misinformation about CRT.”

Buchanan-Rivera said CRT is taught at the college level and not taught in K-12 classrooms. However, banning the discussion of CRT from the schools would ignore many of their students’ experiences and questions.

“I think equity in education is important,” Dr. Woodson said. “That means all of our students have to thrive to be equitable.”

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“make it work.” Stigma comes from family, friends, faith groups and strangers.

Roughly 44% of Black women in America have been a victim of domestic or interpersonal violence, according to the Bureau of Justice. Interviews conducted by the ICADV found much of the stigma Black women face is compounded with racism and oppression.

“There was a lot of concern about reaching out to law enforcement,” Yeagle said. “That doesn’t feel safe for a lot of survivors, especially Black women

and women of color. The stereotype of the ‘strong Black woman’ is also a deterrent to reaching out for help. There’s also concern about adding any more pressure to Black men.”

The campaign, which features signs and digital advertising, sheds light on the difficulties survivors face when leaving their abusers. Messages such as “It’s not that simple” and “It wasn’t safe for me to tell you” allow for victims’ voices to be heard. The other goal of the campaign, Yeagle said, is to help bystanders

understand how they can help survivors.

“I think the best way to start is by asking, ‘How do you want me to help you,’” Yeagle said. “A lot of people make mistakes and mean well, and one thing a lot of people do is try to take over the situation without really speaking to the survivor. Asking them how you can be helpful, whether that’s being a listening ear or helping them get connected to services, is a good way to help.”

The ICADV will measure the success of the campaign by the reach of the

campaign, the amount of materials shared and, most importantly, Yeagle said, by the feedback the organization gets from survivors and community members.

“We want survivors to know, we hear you. We believe you, and we’re here for you,” she said.

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1987 and also notched wins over Michigan State and Wisconsin.

The only regular season loss was by seven to Ohio State on the road in a game where Penix threw for a career-high 491 yards.

In a span of about two months, Indiana went from a team that was usually entertaining (but not quite good enough) to playing like one of the top teams in the Big Ten.

“You can talk about wanting to learn how to finish and take your program to another level, but your players have to experience it, and that’s what happened for us,” Allen said.

Senior linebacker Micah McFadden said it’s not about trying to recreate anything that happened in 2020, but continuing to build off of that momentum. “There’s a different look when you see Indiana on

your schedule,” McFadden said.

Much of the credit for Indiana’s surge goes to the defense, which led the conference with 18 interceptions last season. The Hoosiers picked off Ohio State’s Justin Fields, last year’s conference Offensive Player of the Year, three times (he threw a combined three interceptions in every other game).

Penix, a Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year hopeful, is still healing from an ACL injury but said he’ll be ready for the start of the season. He’s a little more blunt than others when it comes to his optimism.

On getting to the conference title game in December: “That’s just something we expect to happen,” he said. “That’s something we talk about a lot.”

Allen, Penix and everyone else with the program who made the trip to Indianapolis stood in Lucas Oil Stadium for media days, the same venue that will

host the conference championship game. To get there, Indiana will need to overcome that one obstacle that just barely escaped its grasp last season: Ohio State.

The Buckeyes are the “gold standard” of the Big Ten, Allen said, which isn’t an exaggeration. Ohio State represents five of the conference’s six College Football Playoff appearances.

“We’re trying to chase that greatness every single day,” Allen said.

Indiana’s season begins with a conference game Sept. 4 at Iowa.

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PURDUE

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dianapolis this year instead of Chicago. “We have been in a lot of close games without question. We’ve got to learn how to compete and finish and do a lot of small things a little bit better.”

Purdue started with two straight wins in a pandemic-shortened 2020 season before losing four in a row. (The other three games on the schedule were canceled.) Although skewed because it wasn’t a typical season, a 2-4 record meant Purdue has regressed in the win column every season since Brohm took over in 2017.

The combination of Wisconsin, Iowa and Northwestern has almost always owned the top three spots in the West division since the conference reorganized itself geographically in 2014. Pur-

due hasn’t finished better than fourth.

Voters in the annual preseason media poll from Cleveland.com picked the Boilermakers to finish sixth in the seven-team West this season.

“We need to win, and we need to win now,” junior defensive end George Karlaftis said. “How we do that is by finishing games.”

Three of Purdue’s four losses last season were a one-possession game.

Karlaftis, a Defensive Player of the Year candidate, anchors a defense that returns eight starters from a year ago. If Purdue is truly close to cracking the top three of the West or even competing for a division title, it will have to get more from its defense, which ranked 12th last season against the pass and sixth in

rush defense.

Three offseason hires — Brad Lambert, Ron English and Mark Hagen — will lead the defensive staff, with Lambert coaching linebackers and calling plays. Brohm has been more involved with the defense this offseason and said he wants to see a more aggressive unit that takes chances.

On the other side of the ball, Bell, who went to Warren Central High School, feels the same pressure to win.

“I think we have the pieces to do it,” he said. “You know, I wouldn’t be sitting here if I don’t think we had the pieces to win.”

Bell could be Purdue’s best player. He was a one-man show at times last season without fellow speedster Rondale

Moore, who was drafted by the Arizona Cardinals, averaging 104 receiving yards with almost nine catches per game.

Brohm doesn’t yet know who will throw the ball to Bell this season — or if it could be multiple quarterbacks — but there are experienced and proven options in junior Jack Plummer and fifth-year senior Aidan O’Connell.

Purdue’s season begins Sept. 4 at home against Oregon State.

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EDITORIAL

Dear white men, you don’t own Simone or Naomi

By OSEYE BOYD



I’m proud of Simone Biles. I’m proud of Naomi Osaka. I’m proud of anyone who prioritizes their mental health.

While we haven’t fully embraced this mindset — as demonstrated by the snarky, nasty comments from detractors — we are moving in the right direction of removing the stigma of mental health and realizing how important it is to our over-all well-being.

Before the pandemic, the stigma surrounding mental health was slowly evaporating, but COVID-19 sped up the process. Talking about mental health became part of regular conversations. Health officials admonished us to check in on our loved ones. Memes on social media jokingly (but seriously) told introverts to check on their extrovert friends during the shelter-in-place orders. So many of us dealt with death and sadness alone.

Again, we’re not all the way there, but we are much further than we were in 2019. It’s evidenced by the conversations we now have regarding self-care, and by the actions of Biles and Osaka.

Osaka pulled out of the French Open in May, citing the need for self-care. Biles’ decision to first drop out of the team finals and then individual all-around competition left Olympics enthusiasts stunned. Many

were anticipating the return of Biles to defend her gold medals and to watch her gravity-defying moves. She does moves so difficult she’s the only who tries them let alone does those moves successfully. She has four skills named after her — and there could’ve been a fifth named after her at the Tokyo Olympics. Talk about pressure!

And that’s what we’re talking about here. These young ladies — and they are young, Biles, 24 and Osaka, 23 — have a tremendous amount of pressure to live up to. They have the pressure they put on themselves to maintain their elite athlete status as well as the pressure of an entire country — or in Osaka’s case, three — on their shoulders. The weight they bear is one most of us will never know.

It’s particularly interesting that the main ones vilifying Osaka and Biles are white men — often older white men. White men, who can’t do even a fraction of what these women do. (One even has a commercial about how he couldn’t walk or sit for more than 10 minutes “without horrible pain.”) These white men likely prioritize their mental health but begrudge Black women from doing so. These white men see no value in either of these women. They’re property. Biles is only here to bring fame, recognition and medals to the U.S. They’re disposable; discarded like yesterday’s trash.

The attacks on Biles are fresh and especially venomous. She’s been called weak, a sociopath and selfish. She’s been compared to other elite athletes and how

they toughed it out and competed. We don’t know how they dealt with stress, anxiety or depression that often comes with being an elite athlete. Just because one competes doesn’t mean one is dealing with internal issues in a healthy way. We know Biles dealt with sexual abuse at the hands of USA Gymnastics team doctor Larry Nassar. She’s the only sexual abuse survivor from the 2016 team to come back to the Olympics, and she’s still dealing with an organization that allowed the abuse to happen for years.

To make it to elite athlete status, you must love the sport. But that love comes with a price. The sport often becomes the athlete’s identity. Ask Missy Franklin. She didn’t know what to do after she stopped swimming. Gold medal winner Lindsey Vonn battled depression that left her unable to get out of bed some days. Michael Phelps dealt with depression, substance abuse and a DUI. According to a study published in British Journal of Sports Medicine, 34% of active elite athletes and 26% of retired elite athletes dealt with anxiety and depression.

We place a premium on sports when we should place a premium on lives. You’re an elite athlete but for a short time in your life. There’s still a lot of living left to do after the last game is played.

Whether they compete or not, life will go on. These athletes are not ours. Biles and Osaka are not ours. White men, their bodies don’t belong to you. They owe us nothing.

OPINIONS

What happened to civic pride?

By LARRY SMITH



I vividly remember the poetry, prose and pageantry of elementary and middle school. Like millions of other prepubescent children, I would — at the frequent command of my teachers — place my hand over

my heart and recite the Pledge of Allegiance. While I did not always comply with the level of solemnity for which the situation called, I performed the patriotic ritual without hesitation or reflection. To borrow from Shakespeare, the words flowed “trippingly (from) the tongue.”

The simple truth is that one of the core purposes of a public school education is to indoctrinate youth into forging fealty to their nation. I do not offer that observation snidely; it is what it is. Indeed, a public school education *should* encourage such bonds — regardless of the nation in question. The survival of any nation has always depended largely on the willingness of

the young and able-bodied to be willing to die (and to kill) for it in war. Placing one’s hand over one’s heart — the organ that symbolizes our “life’s blood” — is a not-too-subtle inculcation into that ancient reality.

This explains why our military spends a chunk of its massive budget on advertising at sporting contests; they hope that thousands of prospective soldiers, sailors and airmen will watch and be inspired to enlist. The ubiquity of flyovers at major outdoor sporting events seems more appropriate for North Korea (where there is no separation between military and state) than for the civilian-governed United States.

But conversation should accompany recitation. Explanation should accompany indoctrination. This should be the case for all children, but it is especially important for Black children as they (hopefully) learn how America’s history of racial subjugation has shaped our traditions, including our patriotic ones. They need to understand that legitimate civic pride often mutates into jingoism, which in turn frequently metastasizes into white nationalism.

Consider the recent example of Gwen

Berry. Several weeks ago, Ms. Berry successfully competed for a spot on the Olympic track and field team. (Having placed third in her event, she is now representing the United States in Tokyo.) During an awards ceremony at the Olympic trials, Berry very obviously objected to the playing of the national anthem as she and her teammates were on the awards stand. The response from much of white America was swift, vociferous and predictable.

To be clear, Berry’s discomfort wasn’t due to critical race theory. It wasn’t due to “the mainstream media.” It was due to the fact that she knows the history behind “The Star-Spangled Banner.” She knows that Francis Scott Key was a rabid racist whose views are explicitly reflected in the song’s third stanza. The anger that was directed at her should be redirected at the cause (i.e., racism) rather than the effect (i.e., her rejection of racism). There is not a single circumstance under which white Americans would celebrate a song that denigrates them, *especially* if it were written by an African American.

I empathize with Berry, even though I strongly believe that anyone who repre-

sents the U.S. in Olympic competition should respect the national anthem. John Carlos and Tommie Smith did so, even as they offered the “Black Power” sign in the 1968 Olympics. Jesse Owens, who in my opinion is the greatest U.S. Olympian in history, decided to compete for a nation that legally codified his second-class citizenship. He was a child of American apartheid. He suffered indignities that I cannot begin to imagine. Yet, he had agency. He struck an indelible blow against white “supremacy” by demonstrating Black athletic prowess to Germans — and to white Americans.

Given this nation’s history of racism, Black folks are arguably the most patriotic Americans. To use one crucially important measure of fealty, we are disproportionately represented in the military (as we are in several Olympic sports). Rather than focus on our kneeling down in athletic contests, those who deny American apartheid should focus on our willingness to lay down our lives in military ones.

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The power of peace

By KHALILAH A. SHABAZZ



There’s a good chance that many of us are surrounded by chaos, rather it be worldly affairs or even in our own homes. You can’t turn on the news or open up social media these days without being exposed to some type of turmoil or drama. In our personal lives we have family issues, money problems and job challenges, to name a few. Is it even possible then to have peace? What does it mean to be at peace? Or to find peace? Is it only available when we are no longer among the living so that we can finally rest in peace? I venture to say it is not. We have the ability to have peace in our lives, even amidst the chaos and drama all around.

According to Webster’s dictionary, peace is de-

scribed as a “state of tranquility or quiet; harmony in personal relations; freedom from disquieting or oppressive thoughts or emotions.” I find most interesting the last definition because it centers on the role that self plays in managing and having peace. There is a responsibility we each have in maintaining our own peace but we must first address the peace blockers. Peace blockers are those things that simply get in the way of us even recognizing or obtaining peace. Here are a few examples:

Pain — There’s a Kirk Franklin song I enjoy titled “Wanna be Happy” and one of the lines talks about being addicted to the pain. For some, pain (emotional or physical) has become the normal resulting in a constant state of unrest or even a continual reliance or attraction to the pain source.

Guilt — Ever ruminate over something that you’re deeply sorry for? The situation is over, or the other person is beyond it, but you can’t move on. For example, I made a lot of mistakes and sacrifices early in motherhood and the guilt had me bound to the point that I blamed myself for my adult children’s incidents, actions and choices.

Trauma — Unaddressed traumas, particularly from childhood, manifests in our lives in various ways. At the root of anxiety, depression, anger, overachieving, low self-esteem, perfectionism, etc. could be things experienced in life that have been kept secret or swept under the proverbial rug.

Toxicity — Ever been around someone who is simply negative? There’s no good that they see, the glass is always half empty or they are quick to find something wrong with anything? Is this you? Toxicity shows up as pessimism, unaddressed resentment, negative thinking, speaking, acting, etc.

These are just a few examples of peace blockers and there are many more that could have been added to the list. I encourage you to think about other peace blockers that are in your life and do the work to ad-

dress them. “Protect your peace” is a very familiar phrase that I’ve heard and have even used myself. Here are some ways I found that work with addressing these peace blockers and working to protect my peace.

- Seek professional help from a therapist — Therapy helped save my life! It allowed me to understand my pain, guilt and trauma and provided me with the tools to heal, release and recover from them.
- Engage in self-preservation — Everyone else’s stuff or drama does not belong to you. You have to recognize what’s intruding on your peace and resist the urge to engage and be pulled into others’ issues.
- Prioritize radical self-care — Make yourself a priority, especially when your peace is unstable. Step away, give yourself grace, turn the phone off, exercise, get a massage, or meditate — whatever you need to do to recenter yourself.

One of my personal mantras is: “If I don’t have power over it, it won’t have power over me.” I now realize the significance of protecting my peace. Our physical, mental and emotional well-being are all great consequences of not prioritizing peace in our lives. Temporary peace (such as a relaxing vacation) is nice, but true lasting peace comes from addressing the peace blockers and maintaining the gateway to your life. Your peace holds so much power. May you do the work so you can live in peace now and not simply rest in peace later!

“Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.” — 2 Thessalonians 3:16

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Recorder continues to rack up wins

By STAFF

The Indianapolis Recorder Newspaper won 11 awards from the Hoosier State Press Association (HSPA) Better Newspaper Contest.

The HSPA awards come after the Recorder won 18 awards from the Society of Professional Journalism Best in Indiana Journalism Awards in June. The Recorder staff is proud to continue upholding the legacy of quality journalism and advocacy for the Black community of Indianapolis.

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The Indianapolis Recorder
6-year-old has a black belt. What have you done today?

BEST EDITORIAL PAGE
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Third Place
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HOMELESSNESS

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ing with a friend or relative). There were 263 people unsheltered this year and 1,665 who were sheltered. The number of sheltered homeless is typically much higher than unsheltered because many people stay in emergency shelters or transitional housing. The temperature can also affect how many people are unsheltered. Volunteers didn’t observe any children (younger than 18) in unsheltered locations this year, which was also the case last year. There were 268 children experiencing homelessness in total. When it comes to only school-age children, 58% of those counted were Black or African American. The school-age homelessness count is done differently because the methodology was established by the U.S. Department of Education, which has a more expansive definition of homelessness than HUD.

The most common age range for someone experiencing homelessness was 50-61, followed closely by 35-49.

How COVID-19 affected data

Data for the 2021 count is not as detailed as normal because volunteers interacted with people for a shorter amount of time. There isn’t data this year on people’s experiences with common barriers such as mental illness, substance abuse and medical conditions. Volunteers also didn’t collect data on how long someone had been homeless, which means there isn’t an updated look at chronic homelessness.

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Coding is the language of the future. “Coding can be used in several different areas of life outside of just coding! I believe coding will eventually be a language that everyone will want to speak, and starting now will only put people ahead of the game,” says Morgan Walker, M.S., Eleven Fifty Academy’s Manager of Employer and Industry Engagement.

Coding schools aren’t just a fast-track to well-paying tech jobs. Bootcamps like those offered by Eleven Fifty teach valuable skills that can be applied to real-world settings. Our bootcamps are short and immersive, providing hands-on instruction in an accelerated learning environment. Students come away proficient in languages such as Python, JavaScript, HTML, and CSS.

Our bootcamps require hard work, but the payoff is the opportunity to join a fast-growing industry and earn a competitive salary. But as with everything, there are challenges, which we’ll explore in this article.

The Good Stuff: Pros of Attending Coding Bootcamp

One of the most common questions we get is: Is bootcamp worth it? Short answer, yes. Long answer, read on.

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Residents fight to preserve historic Black church in LA

By ALEJANDRA MOLINA
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LOS ANGELES (RNS) — On a recent Sunday, about 10 people sat outside the steps of the boarded-up First Baptist Church of Venice, a century-old congregation that, to many, remains a symbol of the thriving Black population that once existed in the seaside town of Los Angeles.

They discussed potential uses for the church that would benefit the community. It could reopen as a library to highlight the Black history of the Oakwood neighborhood, some suggested. Maybe it could host coding classes for kids or serve as a space for interfaith gatherings. They also shared childhood memories of the church and lamented the forces transforming Venice from a working-class and bohemian artist enclave to a wealthy neighborhood. They bemoaned the new geometric boxed houses lining the streets — houses they said feel out of character with the area.

This isn't an official meeting. It's not a church service or a demonstration. It's more like a weekly teach-in they hold to let the public know about the significance of this church — and to make it clear they'll continue gathering until the sacred building, which they fear could be a casualty of Venice's changing landscape, is turned over to the community.

Their nearly four-year effort appears to be making headway as the Los Angeles Cultural Heritage Commission in June voted in favor of designating First Baptist Church of Venice, and the adjacent parking lots, a historic cultural monument.

Now, the city's planning and land use management committee will vote on the issue in September before it goes to the Los Angeles City Council for a final vote.

"It's about time something moves in our favor, because they try to act like we never lived here," said Laddie Williams, a lifelong resident of Oakwood.

Williams was enraged when she learned in 2017 that First Baptist Church of Venice had been sold. She knew she had to do something, so she sat in protest outside the church, on the steps her grandfather and his sons poured concrete on, helping put the finishing touches in the late 1960s. Williams has been sitting outside the church since learning of the sale.

Founded in 1910, First Baptist Church of Venice corresponded with the area's evolution as an early enclave of Black residents, and as it outgrew its initial locations, members in the late '60s helped build the church building that still stands in Oakwood — the only area near the beach where Black people were allowed to historically buy property in LA.

The church served the area's Black and Latino residents until 2017, when then-pastor Horace Allen, citing a shrinking



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congregation, moved the congregation and sold the church for \$6.3 million to Jay Penske, whose Penske Media Corporation publishes Rolling Stone and Variety magazines. Penske, who couldn't be reached for comment, planned to convert the church into a home for his family, with a rooftop deck and four-car garage.

Neighbors like Naomi Nightingale were stunned, referring to Penske's plans as "sacrilegious." Activists attribute the gentrification of Venice to gang injunctions that caused Latino and Black people to leave the area and cite the tech boom for rising housing prices. The church, residents say, served as a respite to these kinds of issues.

Bishop Elmer Lawrence Holmes, who led the church for more than 40 years, mentored youth and residents impacted by gang violence and injunctions. Residents remember him organizing peace marches around Venice and representing the interest of his neighbors in local planning committees. He'd advocate for traffic safety measures and regular street cleaning. "His leadership, insistence on good character and proper behavior extended beyond the Church in the examples of principles repeated and demonstrated through dedicated parishioners," the city wrote in a report.

"We just could not allow it to fall into the hands of someone who didn't have the religious respect of the community," said Nightingale, who learned of the sale after seeing Williams sitting on the parish steps.

Nightingale interviewed several Oakwood residents, including those who were part of the church, to learn what the community and the building meant to them. She asked: "How would you feel if you drove down the street and the church wasn't there?"

Herman Clay, a deacon at the church, told her: "How would people in Hollywood feel if they woke up one morning and they could not see the Hollywood sign?"

"It took four years, but we were relentless," said Nightingale, a professor and Oakwood resident. "We're still fighting because we still know that they haven't given up."

In late 2020, the church property was sold again, this time to Lee Polster, who in a June community meeting said he planned to "retain" and "reuse" the church and turn the adjacent parking lots into a mixed-income housing project. Polster said the historic designation wasn't necessary because he planned to rehabilitate the church "while being mindful of the cultural importance of the church building."

Outside the church, a "Black Prayers Matter" banner hangs from the top floor. On the entrance, "Matthew 6:33" is etched on the boarded-up doors. In giant letters, "Black Lives Matter" is painted in the middle of the road in front of the church.

The push to preserve the church building gained momentum after the police killing of George Floyd, when anti-police brutality protests in support of Black Lives Matter were held in Venice. In a protest last June, even Ben Affleck was photographed holding a "Save First Baptist Church of Venice" sign.

In recent months, other LA spaces tied to religion have been deemed worthy of preservation, such as the former Hollywood art studio of Corita Kent — a Roman Catholic religious sister known for her pop

art covering racism, poverty and misogyny — and the Church of the Epiphany — which in the 1960s became a center for the flourishing Chicano movement.

For a new generation of preservationists, identifying more spaces linked to accomplishments of women, people of color and the LGBTQ community has been crucial.

Many pushing to preserve First Baptist Church of Venice, who are part of the group Save Venice, trace their involvement to seeing Williams sitting outside the church. Growing up in Venice, Williams remembers a diverse and tight-knit neighborhood that looked out for one another. When Japanese residents were sent to internment camps, Williams said her grandfather saved their homes by putting the residences under his name.

Her grandfather, like many others, came to Venice from the South in the early 1900s to work as laborers, service workers and servants. They helped build churches, housing and the Venice Canals.

Now, the coalition to save the church seems as diverse as Williams remembers her neighborhood. Supporters include nonreligious, Indigenous, Black, Latino and white people.

Among them is Ingrid Mueller — who decades ago helped secure historic status for a midcentury apartment complex in Venice amid demolition plans and eviction notices — and Jon Wolff — an artist and writer who has kept residents updated "by making sure this story never dies down" in the local Free Venice Beachhead community paper.

To Wolff, who was born and raised in Venice, the church was "always here and you didn't expect it to not always be here," adding the building "represents the whole story" of displacement in Venice.

For Stephanie Serra, a nonreligious person who was raised Catholic, it was important to put her complicated feelings about religion aside in advocating for the church space.

"With everything that happened last year with the protesting, I just sort of realized that I'm not here to fight for a church," Serra said as she sat on the steps of the church July 11. "I'm here to support the community and support maintaining what's left of the Black history that is so crucial to the development of Venice and to everything that it is today."

For Lydia Ponce, an Indigenous activist whose Venice house served as the West Coast headquarters for Standing Rock, the struggle to preserve the church is personal. That's why she's there on Sundays.

"As an Indigenous person sitting here, who wants to protect it ... we know what it feels like to have something sacred taken from you," Ponce said. "I'll do anything and everything I can to save their sacred space."

SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

The only one who can save us

By PRESTON T. ADAMS III



“And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” Matthew 1:21

There is power in the name of Jesus! More power than many of us truly understand. Jesus was sent from God with one specific purpose: to save us from our sins. Jesus is the only one who can save us from our sins.

Sin is separation from God, disobeying the will of God, transgressing against God or disavowing the existence of God. Sin denies the work of God in creation and humanity. Sin is rooted in humanism: the belief that humans are the highest form of life and thus do not need any other higher being dictating or defining our existence.

Sin denies the power of the blood of Jesus, the crucifixion and the resurrection. Sin breaks the heart of God and is a deeply regrettable action grounded in revolt against God. Sin is not merely a mistake because it involves willful disobedience against God.

Sin is missing the mark, being morally deceived or falling short of the goal. Sin is lawlessness, iniquity or lawless deeds. C.S. Lewis once said, “Sin is a long terrible story of man [humans] trying to find something other than God to make him [them] happy.”



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The rash of non-fatal shootings in our city is sin. The rising tide of murders in our city is sin. Our failure as a society to help the least, last and the lost is sin. Many of us only associate sin with fornication, adultery, homosexuality, lying, stealing, cheating and other immoral or illegal acts. And many of us feel we are OK if we do not commit any of the aforementioned sins.

Here are some other common forms of sin: withholding good when we have the power to do good, selfishness — not to be confused with self-care, but rather thinking more of ourselves than others — and harboring harmful or illicit thoughts against others.

Romans 3:23 states: **“For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard.”** This is why we need Jesus! Jesus is the only one who

can save us. As much as we want to, as hard as we try, as strong as we are, we cannot save ourselves. We need a savior, and that savior’s name is Jesus.

Matthew’s account of the Christ story opens with a detailed genealogy. After the detailed family tree, Matthew focuses on the conception and birth of Jesus. Mary is espoused to Joseph who did not “know” her. An angel appears to Joseph and gives him both illumination and instruction. He would have a son named Jesus, and Jesus would save humanity from our sins.

Jesus fights our battles. Like Joshua, David and Debra who fought for Israel and led Israel to victory, Jesus fights on our behalf and leads us to victory. Jesus is our protector. He is the one who protects us from dangers seen and unseen.

Jesus is our savior. As one commentator notes: “To the awakened and anxious sinner [Jesus is the] sweetest and most fragrant of all names, expressing so melodiously and briefly his whole saving office and work!”

Jesus is the only one who can save us. He saves us through his prophetic birth and ministry. And he saves us by his crucifixion, and most importantly, his resurrection.

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BIBLE TRIVIA


by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Lazarus in the Old Testament, New Testament or neither?
2. What happened to Jeroboam’s hand on confronting the man of God at the altar?
Fell off, Turned to salt, Became a viper, Dried up
3. The children making fun of Elisha’s bald head were torn apart by?
2 bears, 3 lions, 7 serpents, Locust swarm
4. From Acts 13, who was called “A man after mine own heart”?
Gideon, David, Matthew, James
5. In John 19, who said, “What I have written, I have written”?
Daniel, John the Baptist, Pilate, Jesus
6. From Genesis 1:20, on what day did God create the birds?
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th

ANSWERS:
1) Neither;
2) Dried up;
3) 2 bears;
4) David;
5) Pilate;
6) 5th

Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson Casey’s latest book, “Test Your Bible Knowledge,” available in bookstores and online.


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Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Hold thy peace, and come out of him!” And when the unclean spirit had torn him and cried out with a loud voice, he came out of him.

✎ MARK 1: 25, 26 ✎



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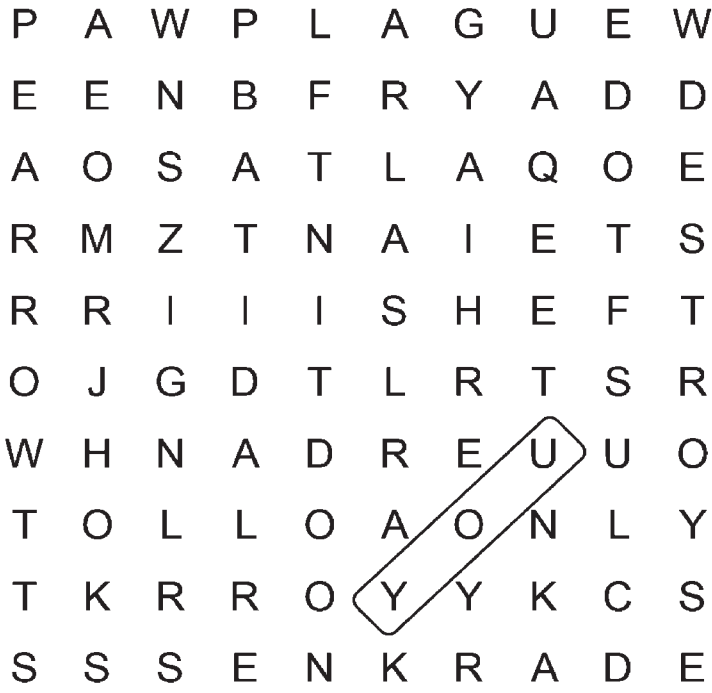
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Inflation fears and politics shape views of Biden economy

By JOSH BOAK and HANNAH FINGERHUT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Joe Biden is banking on the idea of making life more affordable for middle-class families — and that’s where the recent bout of inflation poses both a political and an economic risk.

The U.S. economy may be poised for the fastest growth since 1984, but many Americans are not feeling all that confident about the economy, according to a new poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. Republican lawmakers have attacked the Biden administration over inflation as the country reopened from the coronavirus pandemic, and feelings about the economy are settling along partisan lines.

Fewer than half, 45%, judge the economy to be in good shape, while 54% say it’s in poor shape. Views are similar to what they were in AP-NORC polls in June and in March, despite increases in vaccinations and the flow of aid from Biden’s \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package. The results suggest that Americans not only filter their thoughts about the economy through their politics but also see uncertainty as the country is still 6.8 million jobs below pre-pandemic levels.

John Novak, a 52-year-old school maintenance worker from Hudson, Wisconsin, is tired of seeing higher gasoline prices and six-month waits to buy a refrigerator.

He blames the size of the aid package.

“Everything just costs

more, and no one’s really making more other than if you get government money, which I did get some, but I’d rather have prices lower,” said Novak, who voted for President Donald Trump last year.

The Biden administration is keenly aware that inflation is a potent weapon that could be used politically against Democrats. While pledging to stay vigilant against price increases, officials say that the recent burst reflects the complex nature of restarting an economy that had been shuttered because of the pandemic and that inflation will only be elevated temporarily as a result.

There are some early signs of inflation lessening as the Manheim Used Vehicle Value Index fell during the first 15 days of July. Meanwhile, the economy has been adding nearly 605,000 jobs a month since Biden became president and economic growth is tracking above 7%.

“There’s no better way to contradict false messaging than by posting strong performance,” said Jared Bernstein, a member of the White House Council of Economic Advisers. “When you’re in the midst of a recovery with these kinds of numbers, I think it makes it harder for people on the other side to paint a false version of reality.”

Still, political identity is infusing views on the economy. About 6 in 10 Democrats call the economy good, while three-quarters of Republicans say conditions are poor.

Federal Reserve officials have estimated that the economy

could grow at roughly 7% this year. But the U.S. central bank is also tasked with keeping inflation at a 2% target, and there are signs that the pressures pushing up prices have yet to fade as there are limited supplies of houses, autos and the raw materials used by many manufacturers.

The solid demand is supposed to lead to additional supply, which can then help inflation ease. But the outlook for inflation that Fed Chair Jerome Powell considers to be temporary has become somewhat more hazy. Consumer prices jumped 5.4% for the year ended in June. Stripping out volatile food and energy costs, they’re up 4.5%, the biggest increase since 1991.

“We don’t have another example of the last time we reopened a \$20 trillion economy,” Powell told the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee this month. “We’re humble about what we understand.”

Republican lawmakers have blamed Biden’s spending for the inflation and say his plans for another \$4.1 trillion in new spending to be paid for through taxes on the wealthy and corporations will only cause prices to keep rising. They frame it as a return to the runaway price increases of the 1970s, even though economists who are concerned about inflation say that’s not the case. But the message is connecting with Republican voters.

“As Joe Biden’s inflation crisis rages, he just can’t stop fueling it with more reckless government spending,” said Florida Sen. Rick Scott, who is chairman of the National Republican Senatorial Committee. “Americans are experiencing 1970s-style inflation again, and it’s because of Joe Biden’s failed economic policies.”



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CAUSE NO. 29D02-2101-
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IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF
KING ROYAL ROBERT
PATTON, Minor Child
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
TO: Timothy Patton
Via Publication - Indianapolis
Recorder
Timothy Patton is notified
that a Petition for Adoption
of the minor Child, named
King Royal Robert Patton,
who was born on the 6th day
of December, 2018, and is
the Child of Sarah Orton
and Timothy Patton, was
filed in the Office of the
Clerk of the Hamilton
County Superior Court
No. 1, One Hamilton
Square, Noblesville, Indiana,
under the title: In the Matter
of the Adoption of King Royal
Robert Patton. The Petition
alleges that Timothy Patton
is the Biological Father of
the minor Child; however,
his consent is not required
and/or are irrevocably
implied. Timothy Patton
abandoned or deserted
King Royal Robert Patton
at least 6 months
immediately preceding the
date of filing of this Petition;
or has failed without justifiable
cause to communicate
significantly with King Royal
Robert Patton when able to
do so for at least one year
while King Royal Robert
Patton has been in the
custody of another person;
or has knowingly failed to
provide for the care and
support of King Royal
Robert Patton when able to
do so as required by law
or judicial decree for at
least one year while King
Royal Robert Patton has
been in the custody of
another person. Further,
the consent of Timothy
Patton is not required
because he is too unfit to
be a parent to King Royal
Robert Patton and the
child's best interests
would be served by
dispensing with their
consents.

If Timothy Patton seeks
to contest the adoption of
the Child, then he must
file a motion to contest the
adoption in accordance
with IC 31-19-10-1 in the
above-named court not
later than thirty (30)
days after the date of
service of this Notice.
If Timothy Patton files a
motion to contest the
adoption within thirty
(30) days after service
of this notice, the above-
named court will hear and
determine the Petition for
Adoption. The consent to
the adoption of

King Royal Robert Patton
will be irrevocably implied.
Timothy Patton will lose
the right to contest either
the adoption or the
validity of Timothy
Patton's implied consent
to the adoption.

No oral statement made
by the Petitioners relieve
Timothy Patton of their
obligations under this
notice.

This notice complies with
IC 31-19-4.5-3, but does
not exhaustively set forth
a person's legal obligations
under the Indiana
adoption statutes. A
person being served with
this notice should consult
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statutes.

Dated: 7/13/2021 /s/ Kathy
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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE
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CASE NO.: 49C01-2101-
MI-003301
IN RE: THE CHANGE OF
NAME OF:
ELIZABETH FREDONIA
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Also known as FREDONIA
ELIZABETH WILLIAMS
Also known as ELIZABETH
FREDONIA HUMPHREY,
Petitioner.
ALIAS NOTICE OF HEARING
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NEWSPAPER
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Petitioner ELIZABETH
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also known as FREDONIA
ELIZABETH WILLIAMS,
also known as ELIZABETH
FREDONIA WILLIAMS, filed a
Verified Petition for Change
of Name to change
Petitioner's name from
ELIZABETH FREDONIA
HUMPHREY/ELIZABETH
WILLIAMS to FREDONIA
ELIZABETH HUMPHREY.
The Petition is scheduled
for hearing in the Marion
Circuit Court on September
28, at 9:00 a.m., which is
more than thirty (30) days
after the third notice of
publication. Any person
has the right to appear at
the hearing and to file
written objections on or
before the hearing date.
Petitioner is ordered to
report for hearing
remotely/virtually, and the
Court will issue a WebEx
invitation for attendance
at the hearing.
Date Clerk of the Marion
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So Ordered: June 29, 2021
/s/ Susan Boatright
Magistrate, Marion Circuit
Court
5320-924249

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN
THE MARION SUPERIOR
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CAUSE NO.: 49D05-2105-
CT-015451
CLAUDIA SAGRERO
PEREZ,
Plaintiff,
v.
SILVANO CORDOVA
CORTINA
and AMERICAN ACCESS
CASUALTY COMPANY,
Defendants.
SUMMONS - SERVICE BY
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identified above.
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are currently unknown, and
any other individuals who may
have an interest in the lawsuit
captioned Claudia Sagrero
Perez v. Silvano Cordova
Cortina and American Access
Casualty Company, Cause
No. 49D05-2105-CT-015451,
in the Marion County Superior
Court
Civil Division 5.
3. Complaint for Damages
was filed on May 7, 2021,
by Plaintiff, Claudia Sagrero
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Silvano Cordova Cortina and
American Access Casualty
Company.
Defendant's negligence
directly and proximately
caused a collision that
occurred on August 20,
2019, in Marion County,
Indiana, and resulted in the
Plaintiff sustaining injuries
of a personal and pecuniary
nature.
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Complaint for Damages.

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Plaintiff,
vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVISEES, LEGATEES,
AND PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES, AND
CREDITORS OF JULIA A.
WILLIS (DECEASED), et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT
SUMMONS - SERVICE BY
PUBLICATION
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 a
foreclosure of the real estate
mortgage, legally described as:

Lot Number 368 in Oak Trace,
Section Two, a subdivision
in Marion County, Indiana,
as per plat thereof recorded
February 9, 2004 as
Instrument No. 2004-0036353
in the Office of the Recorder
of Marion County, Indiana.
Parcel Number (s) 49-13-13-
100-024.000-200
This property is commonly
known as 5809 Minden Drive,
Indianapolis, IN 46221
This summons by publication
is specifically directed to the
following Defendants whose
addresses are known:
Unknown Occupant, if any
5809 Minden Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46221
Oak Trace Section II
Homeowner's Association, Inc.
Serve Highest Officer Found
9202 North Meridian Street,
Suite 300
Indianapolis, IN 46260
State of Indiana Department
of Revenue
Serve Highest Executive
Officer Present,
100 North Senate North 105
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Deutsche Bank National
Trust Company, as indenture
trustee, on behalf of the
holders of the Accredited
Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-1,
Asset-Backed Notes
Serve Highest Officer Found
3217 South Decker Lake Drive
Salt Lake City, UT 84119
And to the following defendant
whose addresses are known:
Unknown heirs, devisees,
legatees, and personal
representatives, and creditors
of Julia A. Willis (deceased)
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 Plaintiff arising
from the same transaction or
occurrence, you must assert
it in your written answer. You
must answer the Complaint
in writing, by your attorney,
on or before the 5th day of
September, 2021 (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.
Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-
49)
Gregory A. Stout (29517-15)
Amanda L. Krenson (28999-
61)
David W. Cliffe (36402-15)
Attorneys for Plaintiff
Reisenfeld & Associates LLC
3962 Red Bank Road
Cincinnati, OH 45227
Voice: 1-513-322-7000
Facsimile: (513) 322-7099
ATTENT:

Clerk of the Marion County
Circuit/Superior Court
5320-924132

07/23/21,
07/30/21,
08/06/21

ATTORNEY:
Randall R. Shouse
S H O U S E
& LANGLOIS/1593-19
9510 East Washington Street
Indianapolis IN 46229
Telephone: (317) 899-3500
Facsimile: (317) 899-3526
e-mail: rshouse@
shouselanglois.com
Notice of Administration
In the Marion County Superior
Court, Probate Division
In the matter of the Estate of
Peggy Ann Groves, deceased.
Cause Number 49D08-2101-
ES-001517
Notice is hereby given that
Megan Murphy was the
14th day of January, 2021,
appointed personal
representative of the Estate of
Peggy Ann Groves, deceased.
All person 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 9 months after the
decendent's death, whichever
is earlier, or the claims will be
forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana
this 14th day of January
, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County
Superior Court,
Probate Division
5320-924394

07/23/21,
07/30/21

STATE OF INDIANA)
MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT 8
) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE DOCKET: 49D08-
2106-ES-019724
IN THE MATTER OF THE
SUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION OF THE
ESTATE OF FAITH LOCKARD,
DECEASED
NOTICE OF SUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that
Jan McWhirter was, on June
10, 2021, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate
of Faith Lockard, deceased,
who died on April 17, 2021.
All 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 June 10, 2021.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion Superior
Court, Probate Division
5320-924499

07/23/21,
07/30/21

Tamara Rogers
Attorney
Notice of Administration
In the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
In the Matter of the
Unsupervised Administration
of the Estate of Jerri A. Sadler,
deceased.
Cause No. 49D08-2106-
EU-018982
Notice is hereby given that
Eko Seymour, on the 4th day
of June, 2021, was appointed
Personal Representative of
the Estate of Jerri A. Sadler,
who died on October 21, 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 Indianapolis, Indiana
this 14th July, 2021.
Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
5320-924373

07/23/21,
07/30/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN
THE MARION SUPERIOR
COURT
) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D08-2106-
EU-021290

IN THE MATTER OF THE
UNSUPERVISED
ESTATE OF BETTY DENISE
LUDLUM, DECEASED
N O T I C E O F
ADMINISTRATION
TO: ALL CREDITORS
In the Superior Court of
Marion County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that
Wendi Hill was, on June 23,
2021, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate
of Betty Denise Ludlum,
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 16th day of
July, 2021.
/s Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
5320-924144

07/23/21,
07/30/21

Tamara Rogers
Attorney
Notice of Administration
In the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
In the Matter of the
Unsupervised Administration
of the Estate of Kenneth Floyd
Rice II, deceased.
Cause No. 49D08-2106-
EU-021479
Notice is hereby given that
Linda Knipp, on the 29th day
of June, 2021, was appointed
Personal Representative of
the Estate of Kenneth Floyd
Rice II, who died on May 31,
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 14th July, 2021.
Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
5320-924372

07/23/21,
07/30/21

Tamara Rogers
Attorney
Notice of Administration
In the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
In the Matter of the
Unsupervised Administration
of the Estate of Eddie
Lankster, deceased.
Cause No. 49D08-2107-
EU-022671
Notice is hereby given that
Nathan Lankster and Thomas
Lankster, on the 7th day of
July, 2021, were appointed
Co-Personal Representatives
of the Estate of Eddie
Lankster, who died on June
12, 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 14th July, 2021.
Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
5320-924371

07/23/21,
07/30/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN
THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
) ss: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)

CAUSE NO. 49D08-2107-
EU-023142
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF STEVEN J.
COMBS
N O T I C E O F
ADMINISTRATION FOR
PUBLICATION
Notice is hereby given that
Darlene K. Jean was on the
____ day of _____,
20____ appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate
of Steven J. Combs, who died
on May 31, 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 Marion County,
Indiana, this ____ day of _____,
20____.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge, Marion
County Clerk
5320-924142

07/23/21,
07/30/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN
THE MARION SUPERIOR
COURT
) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE NO. 49D08-2107-
EU-023793

IN THE MATTER OF THE
UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION OF THE
ESTATE OF
JUSTANTLOUISE JOHNSON,
DECEASED.
N O T I C E O F
ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that
on July 15, 2021, Matthew W.
Clark was appointed personal
representative of the Estate
of Juanita Louise Johnson,
deceased, who died on June
10, 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 one (1) year after the
decendent's death, whichever
is earlier, or the claims will be
forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis,
Indiana, this 16th day of
July, 2021.
/s Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
Tony H. Abbott
FOLEY & ABBOTT, LLC
151 N. Delaware Street,
Ste. 1130
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 261-0900
5320-924526

07/23/21,
07/30/21

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY
PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN
THE MARION SUPERIOR
COURT 11
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO.: 49D11-2107-
PL-023996

HOOSIER COLLINS
C O M M E R C I A L
STRATEGIES, LLC
Plaintiff,
v.
HELP THE WORLD
FOUNDATION, INC.,
SECURE CORE
INDIANAPOLIS LLC,
UNKNOWN PERSONS
OCCUPYING THE
REAL ESTATE AT 105 S.
DENNY STREET,
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA,
AND UNKNOWN
PERSONS CLAIMING AN
INTEREST IN
MACHINERY STORED AT
105 S. DENNY
STREET, INDIANPOLIS,
INDIANA.
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to
Defendant, any unknown
persons occupying the real
estate at 105 S. Denny Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana, and
any unknown persons claiming
an interest in machinery stored
at 105 S. Denny Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana.
You are notified that you have
been sued in the Court above
named.
The nature of the suit against
you is a Complaint.
This summons by publication
is specifically directed to the
following persons who may
have an interest in the
machinery stored at 105 S.
Denny Street, Indianapolis,
Indiana and any persons
occupying the real estate at
105 S. Denny Street, that is
the subject of this proceeding,
and whose whereabouts and
names are unknown to
Plaintiff.
If you have a claim for relief
against the Plaintiff arising
from the same transaction or
occurrence, you must assert
it in your written answer. You
must answer the Complaint
in writing, by your or your
attorney, on or before the 5th
day of September, 2021, (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.
/s/ Grover B. Davis
Grover B. Davis
Attorney for Plaintiff
ATTENT:

Clerk of the Marion County
Superior Court
200 East Washington Street
Room No. T-1441
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Phone Number: (317) 327-
4160
5320-924546

07/23/21,
07/30/21,
08/06/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE
MARION CIRCUIT COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2105-
MF-016384

Lima One Capital LLC
Plaintiff
vs.
A.J. Property Solutions LLC,
et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the
Defendants above named,
and any other persons 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 a Complaint
for Foreclosure of Note and
Mortgage on the following
described real estate:
SOUTH HALF OF LOT
NUMBERED TWENTY (20)
IN HUBBARD, MCCARTY
AND MARTINDALE'S
SUBDIVISION OF LOTS
1, 2, 7, AND 8 IN SQUARE
12 IN THE SOUTHEAST
ADDITION TO THE CITY OF
INDIANAPOLIS. THE PLAT
OF WHICH IS RECORDED
IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE
169, IN THE OFFICE OF THE
RECORDER OF MARION
COUNTY, INDIANA.
More commonly known as:
1521 Olive Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana 46203
This Summons by Publication
is specifically directed to the
following named defendants
whose whereabouts are
known to me:
A.J. Property Solutions LLC
Amanda Wescott
This Summons by
Publication is also specifically
directed to the following
named Defendants whose
whereabouts are unknown
to me:
Joshua R. Gauvin aka Joshua
Gauvin
In addition to the above named
Defendants being served by
this Summons, there may be
other Defendants who have
an interest in this lawsuit.

) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D16-2104-
DN-003306
Courtney Strahan
Plaintiff
v.
Temidayo Olanipekum
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 to
Temidayo Olanipekum from
Courtney Strahan.

This summons by publication
is specifically directed to the
following named defendant(s)
whose addresses are
Temidayo Olanipekum, 6119
Beachview Dr., Apt. 187,
Indianapolis, IN 46224.
And the the following
defendant(s) whose
whereabouts are unknown:
Temidayo Olanipekum.
In addition to the above named
defendants being served by
this summons, there may be
other defendants who have an
interest in this suit.

If you have a claim for relief
against the plaintiff arising
from the same transaction or
occurrence, you must assert
it in your written answer. You
must answer the Complaint
in writing, by your our your
attorney, on or before the 5th
day of September, 2021, (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.
ATTENT:

Clerk of the Marion County
Court
5320-924329

07/23/21,
07/30/21,
08/06/21

Indianapolis Public
Transportation Corporation
(IPTC)

Invitation for Bid (IFB) 21-
07-409 IndyGo East Campus
Administration Construction
Project.
IndyGo is seeking bids
from qualified General
Contractors!!

Projects an interior renovation
consisting of minimal existing
office demolition, build-out
of approx. 40 offices &
10 meeting spaces with
updated finishes. Includes
corresponding revisions to
HVAC, electrical/data, &
limited plumbing alterations.
Solicitation Release July
15, 2021
Pre-Bid Meeting July 19, 2021
at 3:00pm
Site location 9503 E. 33rd St.
Indianapolis, IN 46235 / Only
Site Visit date/time offered:
Questions Due July 22, 2021
by 3:00 p.m. (EST).

Answers Provided July
29, 2021 (Posted on
IndyGoWebsite)
Bids Due August 10, 2021
at 12:00 p.m. (EST) / See
Bidding documents.
Bid Opening August 10, 2021
at 12:15 p.m. (EST) Teams
Public Meeting.
IPTC Board Meeting August
26, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. / Public
Meeting.
No late Bids accepted and
proposals must be hard
copies.
To access Solicitation / Bid
Documents please email
request to Dave Adomson
at dadomson@indygo.
net, at that time bidding
documents will be emailed,
also available on IndyGo
website: https://www.
indygo.net/procurement/bid-
opportunities/____
5320-924392

07/23/21,
07/30/21,
08/06/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE
MARION CIRCUIT COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2107-
MF-022770

FORUM CREDIT UNION
Plaintiff,
Vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND
DEVISEES OF JOSEPH A.
SWIFT; BOWMAN HEINTZ
BOSCIA & VICIAN; CARL
DAVIS; JEFFERSON
CAPITAL SYSTEMS, LLC;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC., AS NOMINEE FOR
HSBC MORTGAGE
CORPORATION (USA);
OCWEN FINANCIAL
CORPORATION AS
SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST
TO SAXON MORTGAGE, INC.;
UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS;
Defendant(s).
FILE NO. 21-005140
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the
defendants named above and
any other person or persons
who may be concerned. You
are notified that you have
been sued in the Court named
above. The nature of the suit
against you is: Foreclosure
of real estate mortgage on:
Lot 162 in C.E. and W.H.
Johnson's East 10th Street

LEGALS ■ LEGALS ■ CLASSIFIED

Ordinance Number: 2021-01
Be it ordained/resolved by the Board of Directors that for the expenses of INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION for the year ending December 31, 2022, the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance. This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Board of Directors.

Board of Directors: 8/26/2021		Name of Adopting Entity/Fiscal Body		Type of Adopting Entity/Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Funds					
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate	
8001	SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION GEN	\$88,309,718	\$42,143,711	0.0981	
8090	SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION CUMULATIVE	\$10,000,000	\$4,300,000	0.0100	
	Total	\$98,309,718	\$46,443,711	0.1081	

Home-Ruled Funds (Not Reviewed by DLGF)			
Fund ID	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget
1023	9500	Capital Grants Projects	\$106,705,850
1024	9501	Federal Pass Through	\$3,400,000
1025	9502	Income Tax Revenue Fund	\$70,474,703
1026	9503	Income Tax Debt Service Fund	\$11,620,183
		2021D Bond Fund	\$24,566,266
		Total	\$216,767,002

Special Notes: The proposed tax levies listed included in column 3 include a special tax levy under IC 36-9-4-49 in the amount of \$14,800,000. Said proposed special tax for 2022 will be in addition to the Maximum Levy set under IC 6-1.1-18.5-1.

Name	Signature
Greg Hahn, Chair	
Adairius Gardner, Vice-Chair	
Mark Fisher, Secretary	
Richard Wilson, Treasurer	
Lacy Johnson	
Pat Rios	
Lise Pace	

ATTEST
Jill D. Russell Secretary/General Counsel

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS
The Notice to Taxpayers is available online at www.budgetnotices.in.gov or by calling (888) 739-9826.

Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen by visiting the office of this unit of government at 1501 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46222.

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, Marion County, Indiana that the proper officers of Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation will conduct a public hearing on the year 2022 budget. Due to Covid-19, the hearing will be held remotely and will be streamed live via the IndyGo Facebook page. If an in-person hearing is held, federal masking and social distancing directives will be followed. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation will meet to adopt the following budget:

Public Hearing Date: Thursday, August 12, 2021
Public Hearing Time: 5:00 PM
Public Hearing Location: 1501 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46222

Adoption Meeting Date: Thursday, August 26, 2021
Adoption Meeting Time: 5:00 PM
Adoption Meeting Location: 1501 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46222

Estimated Civil Max Levy: \$43,139,309
Property Tax Cap Credit Estimate: \$6,470,896

Special Notes:
The proposed tax levies listed included in column 3 include a special tax levy under IC 36-9-4-49 in the amount of \$14,800,000. Said proposed special tax for 2022 will be in addition to the Maximum Levy set under IC 6-1.1-18.5-1.

1 Fund Name	2 Budget Estimate	3 Maximum Estimated Funds to be Raised (Including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	4 Excessive Levy Appeals	5 Current Tax Levy	6 Levy Percentage Difference
8001-SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION GEN	\$88,309,718	\$42,143,711	\$0	\$37,936,704	11.09%
8090-SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION CUMULATIVE	\$10,000,000	\$4,300,000	\$0	\$3,995,598	7.62%
9500-Capital Grants Projects	\$106,705,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9501-Federal Pass Through	\$3,400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9502-Income Tax Revenue Fund	\$70,474,703	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9503-Income Tax Debt Service Fund	\$11,620,183	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2021D Bond Fund	\$24,566,266	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Totals	\$315,076,720	\$46,443,711	\$0	\$41,932,302	

AVISO PARA CONTRIBUYENTES
El aviso para contribuyentes está disponible en www.budgetnotices.in.gov o llamando al (888) 739-9826.

Usted puede obtener detalles de las estimaciones presupuestarias por fondo y/o departamento visitando la oficina de esta unidad de gobierno en 1501 W Washington St., Indianapolis IN 46222.

Por este medio, se notifica a los contribuyentes del Transporte Público de Indianapolis, Condado de Marion, Indiana, que los funcionarios correspondientes de la Corporación de Transporte Público de Indianapolis convocarán a una audiencia pública sobre el presupuesto del año 2022. Debido al Covid-19, la audiencia se llevará a cabo de forma remota y se transmitirá en vivo a través de la página de Facebook de IndyGo. Si se lleva a cabo una audiencia en persona, se seguirán los protocolos federales de usar mascarara y mantener distanciamiento social. Después de esta reunión, diez o más contribuyentes podrán objetar a un presupuesto, tasa impositiva o gravamen impositivo presentando una petición de objeción ante los oficiales competentes de la Corporación de Transporte Público de Indianapolis a más tardar siete días después de la audiencia. La petición de objeción debe identificar las disposiciones del presupuesto, tasa impositiva o gravamen fiscal objetadas por el contribuyente. Si se presenta una petición, la Corporación de Transporte Público de Indianapolis deberá adoptar con el presupuesto una resolución relacionada con las objeciones contenidas en la petición y la declaración presentadas. Después de dicha audiencia, los funcionarios competentes de la Corporación de Transporte Público de Indianapolis se reunirán para adoptar el siguiente presupuesto:

Fecha de audiencia pública: Jueves, 12 de Agosto de 2021
Hora de audiencia pública: 5:00:00 PM
Lugar de audiencia pública: 1501 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46222

Fecha de reunión de adopción: Jueves, 26 de Agosto de 2021
Hora de reunión de adopción: 5:00 PM
Lugar de reunión de adopción: 1501 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46222

Gravamen Máx. Civil Estimado: \$43,139,309
Crédito del tope para el impuesto de propiedad Estimado: \$6,470,896

Notas especiales:
Los gravámenes fiscales propuestos enumerados que se incluyen en la columna 3 comprenden un gravamen fiscal especial de conformidad con la Sección 36-9-4-49 del CI por el monto de \$14,800,000. Dicho impuesto especial propuesto para el 2022 será adicional al Gravamen Máximo establecido de conformidad con la Sección 6-1.1-18.5-1 del CI.

1 Nombre del fondo	2 Estimación de presupuesto	3 Fondos máximos estimados a ser recolectados (Incluidas apelaciones y gravámenes exentos de las limitaciones del gravamen máximo)	4 Apelaciones por gravámenes excesivos (Incluidos en la Column 3)	5 Gravamen fiscal actual	6 Porcentaje de recaudación (Column 3/ Colmn 5)
8001-TRANSPORTE ESPECIAL		From maximum levy Limitations			
GEN	\$88,309,718	\$42,143,711	\$0	\$37,936,704	11.09%
8090-TRANSPORTE ESPECIAL					
TOTAL ACUMULADO	\$10,000,000	\$4,300,000	\$0	\$3,995,598	7.62%
9500-PROYECTOS DE DONACIONES DE CAPITAL	\$106,705,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9501-TRANSENCIA FEDERAL	\$3,400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9502-FONDO DE INGRESO DEL IMPUESTO SOBRE LA RENTA	\$70,474,703	\$0	\$0	\$0	
9503-FONDO DE SERVICIO DE LA DEUDO PARA IMPUESTO SOBRE LA RENTA	\$11,620,183	\$0	\$0	\$0	
2021D FONDO DE LOS BONOS	\$24,566,266	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Totals	\$315,076,720	\$46,443,711	\$0	\$41,932,302	

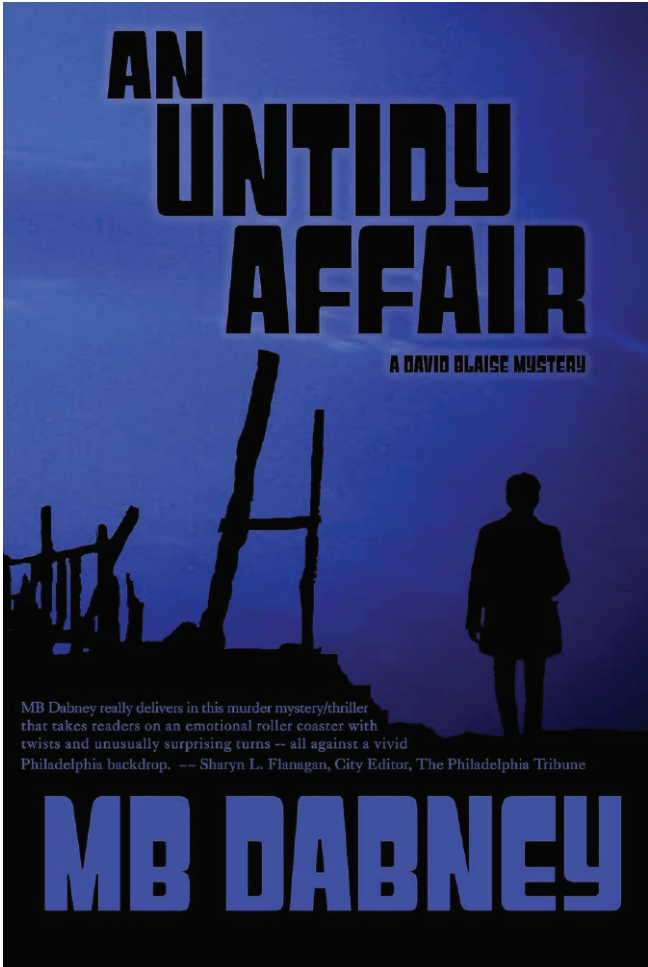
INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION
RESOLUTION 2021-08

Resolution for Levy of Special Tax Under Indiana Code § 36-9-4-49 and
For a Temporary Increase to the Maximum Levy

WHEREAS, the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation has determined that the funds that the Corporation will be able to raise through all sources will be insufficient to defray the expenses incurred by the Corporation to provide necessary transportation services within the boundaries of the Corporation's district for 2022; and
WHEREAS, the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation has determined that it cannot carry out its governmental functions for 2022 under the levy limitations imposed by IC 6-1.1-18.5-3; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation is authorized by law, IC 36-9-4-49, to levy a special tax upon all of the property within the taxing district of the corporation at the rate required to defray such expenses and to fund the budget formulated by the Board pursuant to law; and
WHEREAS, notice to taxpayers has been provided of the intention of the Board of Directors to levy a Special Tax in the amount of \$14,800,000 and for a temporary increase to the Maximum Levy;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation of Marion County, Indiana, that a need now exists for the establishment of a special tax and an increase in the Maximum Levy for the following purposes:
For services necessary to enable the system to provide adequate service within the municipality, and all other purposes as set forth in IC 36-9-4-1 et seq.
The proposed special tax shall not exceed \$0.034 (to raise the sum of \$14,800,000) on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation. Said tax rate will be in addition to the Maximum Levy tax rate set under IC 6-1.1-18.5-1 and shall be levied in 2022.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the City County Council as provided by law and that the Corporation shall petition to the City-County Council for authority to levy the special tax and for a temporary increase in its pay 2022 property tax levy above the maximum levy limits set under IC 6-1.1-18.5-1 et seq.

DATED this 26th day of August, 2021.
FOR:
AGAINST:
ATTEST:

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Local author publishes debut novel, holds book signing

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Book signing
Author Michael Dabney will have a book signing for his first novel, “An Untidy Affair.”
When: 1 p.m. Aug. 7
Where: Ujamaa Bookstore, 2424 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St.

The first draft of Michael Dabney’s new novel “An Untidy Affair” was completed in 2009. After years of trying to find a publisher, his luck changed in March 2020 when Per Bastet Publications agreed to publish his first full-length novel.

Dabney, 70, has published several short stories, but was inspired by the annual National Novel Writing Month to try his hand at longform writing. In September 2009, Dabney completed the first draft of his detective novel in just 18 days.

Set in the backdrop of Philadelphia in the 1980s, “An Untidy Affair” follows Detective David Blaise who gets two seemingly unrelated cases on the same day. As his investigations deepen, Blaise realizes he’s in danger.

For his first novel, Dabney has gotten no shortage of positive reviews. The Philadelphia Tribune — the nation’s oldest Black newspaper — said the novel “takes readers on a real emotional roller coaster with twists and unusually surprising turns,” and best-selling author Susan Furlong called it a “gripping mystery.”

Dabney said he pulled inspiration from some of his favorite authors, including John le Carre and Walter Mosley, as well as from a city he used to call home.

“I was living and working as a reporter in Philadelphia in the mid ‘80s, so I didn’t have to research much to paint a picture of the city,” Dabney said. “The challenge for me was, because I’m a former journalist who always wrote in third person, it was challenging for me to write in first person and get into [Blaise’s] mind.”

At 1 p.m. Aug. 7, Dabney will sign copies of his novel at the Ujamaa Bookstore, 2424 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St. Ujamaa, a Black-owned bookstore promoting Black literature, opened June 19.

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IU meets high expectations at B1G Media Days



L-R: Linebacker Micah McFadden, quarterback Michael Penix Jr. and receiver Ty Fryfogle represented Indiana at Big Ten Media Days.

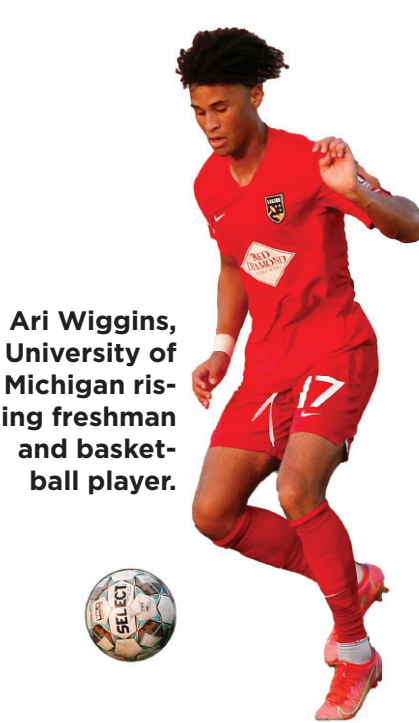


The College Football Playoff championship trophy was in Indianapolis for Big Ten Media Days. (Photos/Walt Thomas)



Head coach Tom Allen discussed the heightened expectations for his team this season.

Indy Eleven drop to Birmingham Legion



Ari Wiggins, University of Michigan rising freshman and basketball player.



Birmingham Legion FC forward J.J. Williams (23) battles for control of the ball with Indy Eleven defender Jared Timmer (5) (Photos/Jeff Brown)



Indy Eleven forward Jordan Hamilton (22) looks to make a pass during the team's 1-2 loss to Birmingham Legion on July 24.

Indianapolis high school coaches, former players weigh in on potential effects of NIL changes

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Rising college freshman Ari Wiggins did not go to the University of Michigan to make money through endorsements and sponsorships. She went to play basketball and earn a business degree.

Yet, when Wiggins received an Instagram direct message from Clutch Lifestyle Co. in late June asking her to be a partner for their clothing brand, she was excited and surprised she got the opportunity so soon. Clutch's message arrived about one day after the Supreme Court ruled on the case National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) v. Alston, stating in the majority opinion that the NCAA's rules restricting certain education-related benefits for student athletes violate federal antitrust laws.

The ruling means college athletes, like Wiggins, are able to make money using their name, image and likeness (NIL), whether that be from sponsorships, partnerships or getting the sales from a jersey with their name on it.

While at first glance this momentous ruling seems like a win for athletes, it is a decision that could cause multiple changes — some negative, some positive — that will transform the culture of college sports.

The main pro of the Supreme Court ruling is student athletes, who typically spend the majority of their time practicing, attending study tables and going to games and class, will be able to earn some money or goods.

Athletes such as Wiggins, a Heritage Christian School graduate, and Mahamane Moussa, a rising freshman at Purdue University, have already

secured partnerships. Wiggins has a finalized deal with Clutch, in which she gets free clothes and a commission from the items purchased using her discount code, and two other to-be-negotiated deals. Moussa will be receiving gear from Mud Hog, which sells rear-wheel drive systems, as part of a partnership between the brand and Purdue football's offensive line.

Being able to make deals like these will be especially beneficial to students who come from low-income families and aren't able to get a job during the school year because of the athletic time commitment, Wiggins said. It could also be helpful for female athletes, who don't have as many professional sports outlets as men do, said Habib Diatta, girls varsity soccer head coach for North Central High School.

"They have pro leagues. ... Still, they don't pay well enough or they are limited," Diatta said. "Being in the NCAA and being able to earn something is good for them."

This opportunity to profit off their NIL also allows students to get more public exposure and build their personal brand at an earlier age.

Nakaih Hunter, a basketball player and rising freshman at IUPUI, said she hopes the sponsorships, in which students will be creating and featured in ads, will allow more people to connect with the players and make them want to attend games.

This exposure also means student-athletes interested in playing at the professional level can get their name out to coaches and recruiters more, making it easier to stand out from other athletes and, in some cases, teammates.

Jayson West, varsity football head

coach at Franklin Central High School, said he is concerned these rule changes may harm the strong comradery in college sports teams. While there was competition among the team for shots at playing in the professional level, now there are also sponsorships and money on the line.

This change to allowing student-athletes to make money off of their standing as an athlete could also make playing for an NCAA team more of a job, West said.

"They're playing because they love the game still," he said. "Once you turn it into a business, it becomes less fun, and it becomes more work."

DeeAnn Ramey, North Central varsity girls basketball head coach, said she is concerned some athletes will sign deals that will negatively impact them.

Agreeing to bad contracts is more of a concern now, in the first years following the rule change, because universities don't have official support in place to help or teach athletes how to navigate these issues, Ramey said. Although some coaches, such as Moussa's, have offered to provide advice, it's not enough in the long run.

This could also be more of an issue for athletes from low-income families, which may be more desperate to earn money, Wiggins said.

"They might just jump into a deal," she said.

Although all student-athletes will have the ability to make money from their name, image and likeness, those who are more talented, play for bigger and more popular

teams and are more attractive or social will most likely get more deals and money than other athletes. So, the athletes receiving larger scholarships will also most likely get more money from sponsorships, West said.

"The rich are only gonna get richer here," he said. "This isn't gonna be spread out like people think."

While this is not necessarily negative, this just means that it won't be positive for many athletes who may need the money more, such as Division III athletes who are paying to play or Division I athletes who aren't playing at the elite level, West said.

Although obstacles wait for college athletes in this new arena, those entering college sports seem more focused on the opportunities. In the next few years, this rule change may develop into a culture transformation in college sports, but today it means that Hunter may attract more people to her games, Moussa may get to be featured in an NCAA video game and Wiggins will get more real-world business experience by partaking in these NIL deals.

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Ari Wiggins, University of Michigan rising freshman and basketball player.