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Omicron comes just in time to (maybe) ruin Christmas plans

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A year after canceling Christmas plans in favor of video calls with family, Brandon Powell is ready to do it all over again.

When Powell spoke to the Recorder before Christmas in 2020, he said foregoing holiday plans was just a matter of accepting reality. He didn't want the weight of getting someone infected — or even seriously ill — on his conscience.

Things are different this year with vaccines widely available, but there's also a new variant — omicron — that is spreading quicker than previous variants, and initial data suggests vaccines are less effective at preventing infec-



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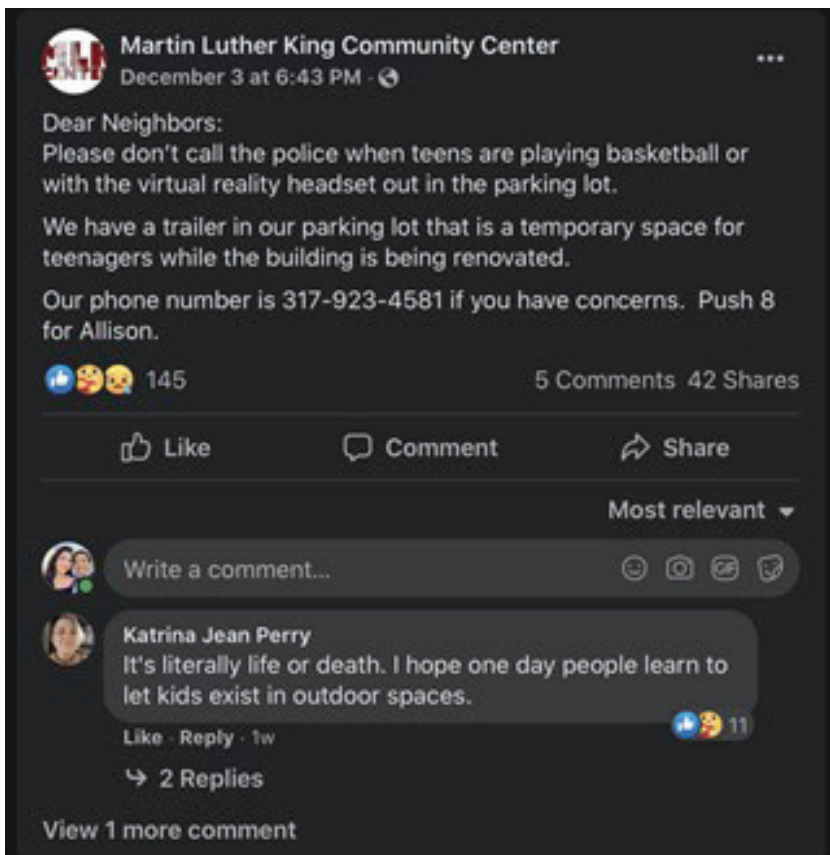
Powell and his family are vaccinated, including his 80-year-old mother, who he plans to see. Other than that, they'll once again hunker down, as Powell says.

"If we went somewhere, would we have the freedom to just be relaxed?" he said. "Could you see family without thinking you're putting yourself in a situation where you get them sick?"

Almost 75% of people in an Axios/Ipsos poll said they plan to see family or friends outside of their household during the holidays. Of note, the poll was conducted over a three-day period starting Dec. 10, when there were only 43 identified cases of the omicron variant in the U.S. The Centers for Disease

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MLK Center wants neighbors to stop calling police on Black teens playing basketball



The Martin Luther King Community Center posted on Facebook asking people to stop calling police on teens at the center. (Screenshot)

BY FARAH YOUSRY

Staff members at Martin Luther King Community Center in Indianapolis are asking neighbors to

not call the police on Black teens using the center's facilities.

The center posted a message on its Facebook page Dec. 3, stating: "Please don't call the police

when teens are playing basketball or with the virtual reality headset out in the parking lot."

The post came after the police were called on a group of Black teens playing outside earlier that day.

The MLK center is closed for renovations, so the nonprofit is providing services through a temporary trailer set up in the center's parking lot. Allison Luthe, the executive director, said children come to the trailer to get help with school work, use computers with internet access and play with friends.

On the day the police were called, the kids were playing basketball and using the VR headsets outside by the trailer. Douglas Morris, program director at the center, said something unexpected happened.

"I saw a police car sort of dart across the parking lot. There were already two [officers] out of the car walking toward the kids," Morris said. "So I said, 'Can I help you gentlemen?' And so then they turned from the kids and started walking toward me."

Morris said the officers told him they'd received a call from a neighbor saying children were

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Indianapolis Public Schools Superintendent Aleesia Johnson explains how the City Connect initiative will help Indianapolis students during a press conference Dec. 16, 2021. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

New initiative aims to help students outside the classroom

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A new partnership between the city of Indianapolis and Marian University will place one professional — a site coordinator — in 12 schools on the city's far east side to help students navigate issues such as mental health and hunger. Site coordinators will have a master's degree level expertise in either school counseling, social work or mental health.

Announced Dec. 16, the City Connects initiative is set to begin early next year. The plan, administered by Marian University's Center for Vibrant Schools,

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30 nonprofits get \$3M for anti-violence work at the end of another record homicide year

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The most recent wave of anti-violence funding comes in the form of close to \$3 million that will go to 30 organizations to prevent and reduce crime in Indianapolis.

Recipients of the Violent Crime Reduction Grant Program work with the city's community violence reduction team, connecting people at risk of perpetrating or becoming a victim of violence to resources.

Recipients include:

- Stop the Violence Indianapolis — \$125,000
- Reach For Youth — \$60,000
- Flanner House of Indianapolis — \$100,000
- Indianapolis Ten Point Coalition — \$60,000
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis — \$75,000

Find a full list of recipients at cicf.org.

"These grant dollars empower those who know our neighborhoods best," Mayor Joe Hogsett said in a statement. "We all have a role to play in violence reduction and equipping grassroots organizations with the tools they need to succeed ensures we address this crisis at all levels."

The grant program is funded with public dollars allocated annually by the Indianapolis City-County Council. The Indianapolis Foundation, an affiliate of the Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF), administers the program.

New to the program this year is funding specifically for organizations focused on domestic violence, youth mental health and early intervention to support youth. Among the recipients are the Domestic Violence Network (\$105,500) and National Alliance for Mental Illness Indianapolis (\$66,000)



Two men stand near the police tape at a crime scene Feb. 23, 2021. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

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Back row L-R: Jeana Ouattara, Indy Chapter of Indiana Black Expo and Indianapolis Recorder; Robert Henderson, Jackson State University alumnus; Dawn Evet Jones, Indy Chapter of IBE; Cherril Threthre, Recorder Women’s Auxiliary; Linda Lewis-Everett, Indy Chapter of IBE and Recorder Women’s Auxiliary; Joe Phillips, Jackson State University alumnus. Front row L-R: Erin Enoch, Foster Success; family friend; Torianna Tate; Tamika Coleman; Takari Coleman-Tate.

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allocates \$7.5 million to the 12 schools over the next three years. Funding comes from federal dollars allocated to the city by the American Rescue Plan.

The participating schools are:

- Andrew J. Brown Academy
- Sankofa School of Success at Arlington Woods School 99
- Charles Warren Fairbanks School 105
- Circle City Prep
- George S. Buck School 94
- James and Rosemary Phalen Leadership Middle School
- James and Rosemary Phalen Leadership High School
- Phalen Leadership Academy at Francis Scott Key School 103
- Phalen Leadership Academy at George H. Fisher School 93
- Promise Prep
- Rooted School Indianapolis
- MSD of Warren Township

Aleesia Johnson, superintendent of Indianapolis Public Schools, said each student will have an individualized plan to help them and their families overcome systemic barriers. Doing so, she said, can help students succeed in the classroom. The program includes five IPS schools.

“Those of us who are in education witness firsthand how societal issues — everything from homelessness, poverty, food insecurity to mental health issues — affect students daily,” Johnson said. “Inside classrooms, lo-

cally and throughout the country, it shows up in students who may struggle to focus or concentrate, who may have poor academic performance, or who may struggle to have confidence and belief in the future that’s ahead of them.”

The program, founded in Boston, has a successful 20-year track record. In Boston, Mayor Joe Hogsett said, City Connects has raised state test scores, increased attendance and decreased dropout rates in participating schools. After two years of COVID-19 and remote learning, Hogsett said Indianapolis students have endured a lot, both in and out of the classroom.

Daniel Elsener, president of Marian University, said the initiative is an important reminder that teachers and school administrators — often pressured to improve test scores — lack the resources and time needed to help students in all the areas they may need assistance in. That’s where City Connects comes in.

“They say it takes a village to raise a child,” Elsener said. “Every school, every teacher, and every counselor require additional support to fully meet the needs of their students. It is not an undertaking intended to be done alone.”

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St. Rita Youth celebrate Christmas

Two-year-old Charlie Rayner-McCullough, with mom AnRea Rayner, is excited about her Christmas ornament she just painted. (Photo/Curtis Guynn)



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ESKENAZI HEALTH

IPS votes to cut ties with Ignite Achievement Academy, school plans to push back

By TYLER FENWICK
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Indianapolis Public Schools will not renew its contract with the charter operator that has run Elder W. Diggs School 42 for the last four years, citing issues with academic performance, staffing and enrollment. The school's leader has hinted at a lawsuit but also said the school didn't want to renew the contract anyway.

The school board unanimously approved the move Dec. 16.

Ignite Achievement Academy has operated the northwest side school since the 2017-18 school year. As an innovation partner, Ignite is in the IPS family but operates the school with more autonomy than a traditional public school.

The district pointed to decreased enrollment, attendance, staff retention and testing as reasons to not renew the contract. School leader Shy-Quon Ely said the district cherry-picked numbers and hasn't considered a broader measure of success by taking into account things such as childhood trauma and housing insecurity that complicate education outcomes.

"This is not avoiding accountability," he said, "but it needs to be part of the definition of success."

Enrollment peaked at more than 500 for the 2018-19 school year but has since dipped to below 400. About 80% of students are Black or African American, according to state data.

Average attendance was in line with the rest of the district as recently as the 2016-17 school year but has since con-

sistently been about 5% to 10% lower. Staff retention has also lagged behind the district average, down to less than 50% for the current school year.

On state tests, the percentage of students passing in English language arts and math has dropped to about 5% for both, a more dramatic decrease than other innovation schools have seen.

Typically, innovation school agreements automatically renew unless either party acts with at least 180-day notice prior to the end of the contract. Ignite Achievement Academy is one of the agreements set to expire June 30, 2022. Ely said Ignite leadership had conversations internally about not renewing its partnership with IPS but hadn't yet told the district.

The school launched with the backing of The Mind Trust, an education reform nonprofit. In 2016, the organization chose Ely for its Innovation School Fellowship, which helps develop charter schools.

The Mind Trust did not push back against the district's decision. "The Mind Trust believes schools of all types should be held to high levels of accountability," CEO Brandon Brown said in a statement. "In this instance, we support the district's decision to non-renew the school's contract as an Innovation Network School partner."

Ontay Johnson, executive director of EmpowerED Families, a parent advocacy group, said the data supports the decision to not renew the agreement. He also said both sides — charter and traditional school advocates — failed the students.

"What I struggle with is the collateral damage Black and brown students continue to be in this broken education system," he said during the public comment portion of the school board meeting.



Shy-Quon Ely, a co-founder of Ignite Achievement, speaks during a press conference at the school March 14, 2019. (Photo/Tyler Fenwick)

One parent submitted written comment ahead of the meeting and asked for a second chance for the school. "If we continue along this road," the parent wrote, "we will have the same negative results regardless to who is the leadership in the school."

What's next?

Ely told parents during an emergency session of the school's board of directors that the school plans to fight back, possibly through "legal remedies," though it's unclear what that might mean.

Ely didn't elaborate during an interview about the nature of a potential lawsuit — especially considering school leaders apparently wouldn't have renewed the contract even if IPS wanted to keep it.

Ely said Ignite didn't receive enough support from the district, considering the circumstances of where the school is located and the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic has upended education. The school's homeless population has increased more than 100%, Ely said.

The plan for Ignite next school year is to find a new building — preferably in the same area, Ely said — and continue to be an education option for students. The city originally planned to revoke Ignite's charter but has since put the school on probation, so the school still has its charter.

As for School 42, IPS hasn't decided what the future holds. It could go back to being a district-run school, or IPS could find another innovation partner. The community will have opportunities to share feedback during listening sessions in January.

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ANTI-VIOLENCE

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Will this work?

There isn't a broad consensus on how well initiatives such as the Violent Crime Reduction Grant Program work — because there isn't a consensus on what "work" means.

On the whole, violent crime has trended downward. The notable exception is murders, which hit a new record in Indianapolis this year amid a national surge in other major cities. There were 241 murders as of Dec. 20, according to data from Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, compared to 206 at the same time in 2020.

Lauren Rodriguez, director of the Office of Public Health and Safety, said you can't "count negatives," meaning it's impossible to say how many lives anti-violence programs have saved.

"It's tragic and horrible," Rodriguez said of the murder numbers, "but it could have been worse had we not been intervening this whole time."

Organizations that get funding work on the peripheral of violent crime, focusing on issues such as employment, housing, education and recidivism.

In the 2019-20 grant cycle, when 54 organizations split \$2.3 million, groups that focused on adult recidivism reported 5% of participants with a prior conviction were arrested for a new crime during the grant period, according to data from CICF. For youth-serving organizations, 17% of clients under court-ordered restrictions had a new case filed against them.

Is that good? Bad?

Immanuel Ivey, senior director of workforce development and entrepreneurship at Edna Martin Christian Center (EMCC), can only speak for the work at EMCC, focusing on reentry services, but he said it has worked. The organization worked with 25 people this year, Ivey said, and four recidivated.

EMCC has been a grant recipient more than once — in-

cluding in this cycle — and Ivey knows of clients who were shot at or jumped at a bus stop.

"Once they step outside them doors, man, they're back to reality," he said.

Lena Hackett, president at Community Solutions, is well practiced at answering questions about if these types of programs are successful. Someone can go to six organizations, she said, and by the time they get to the sixth, it clicks. That doesn't mean the first five were failures.

"You can't just say it was the sixth one," Hackett said. "It just happens to be the last."

Measuring success, in other words, is more nuanced than a binary question — does this work? — lends itself to.

There hasn't been an academic analysis of the Violent Crime Reduction Grant Program, but in 2019, researchers from IUPUI and Wayne State University published an analysis of the Community-Based Violence Reduction Partnership, which is separate from but similar to

the grant program.

Their conclusion: The findings "suggest that programs like the CBVRP may be one important piece of a community-wide response helping to bring about change."

It's not a resounding endorsement, but Eric Grommon, associate professor in the O'Neil School of Public and Environmental Affairs at IUPUI and one of the researchers, said it's fair to interpret the analysis as mildly optimistic, though he cautioned it's about two years old at this point.

Grommon couldn't say if it would be fair to apply the same analysis, even loosely, to the grant program specifically.

Grommon prefers to consider harm reduction when evaluating if a particular program is successful. Take the \$2.9 million just announced in grants as an example. Is that money better off going to nonprofits or back into policing and other parts of the criminal justice system?

People might get upset with

the numbers, Grommon said, but it seems better to him to get people services they may have missed out on otherwise.

More money on the way

Anti-violence funding is about to ramp up, thanks to federal pandemic relief funding. The city-county council approved a plan in September that includes about \$150 million in violence reduction spending, including \$45 million in additional grant funding over the next three years.

Information about grant funding in 2022 will be released early in the new year, OPHS Director Rodriguez said.

The anti-violence package also includes money to hire 50 additional peacemakers — people who work to interrupt violence before it starts — and 100 police officers.

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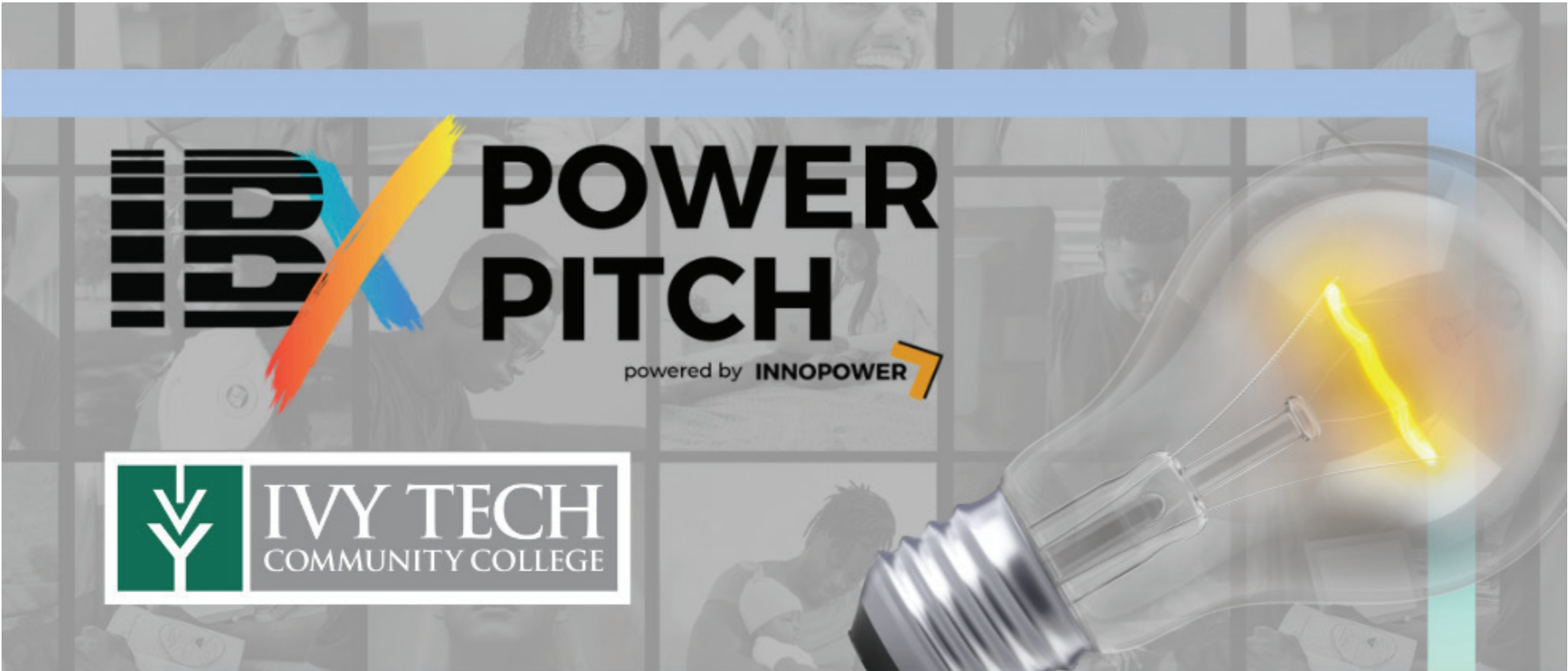
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Family living out of hotel after car crashes into bedroom

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A family of six is living out of a hotel after a teenage neighbor drove her mother’s car through the house.

Tina Humphrey was in her home in Speedway with her mother, husband and three of their four children when the car crashed through a bedroom. Humphrey’s 6-year-old son was in the room and suffered a concussion. Her 9-year-old son was injured by falling debris in the living room, where the ceiling and walls caved in. There were no deaths.

“It’s traumatizing,” Humphrey said. “It’s hurting us financially.”

The family still has to go back to the house to check for mail and start throwing things away. Every time they go the house now, Humphrey said, her children start crying and burying their heads.

The crash occurred Dec. 10.

The family started off in a hotel that cost \$1,400 for the week, but that was unaffordable. They are



Help the Humphreys

Anyone interested in helping the Humphrey family can donate to their GoFundMe campaign. Find it by searching “Help family after car crashed into home” at [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com).

A teenager crashed her mother’s car into Tina Humphrey’s home in Speedway, injuring her 6-year-old son and others in the house. (Photo provided by Tina Humphrey)

now in a hotel that costs \$770 for six days and will be there until at least Christmas Day. Humphrey said the property management company offered to help pay for a hotel, but the person in charge of that has been on vacation, so they’re paying out of pocket.

“I don’t know what to tell them,” Humphrey said of her children with Christmas coming up. “You can tell a child we’re

having a hard time, but they don’t understand that.”

The family started a GoFundMe campaign. Find it by searching “Help family after car crashed into home” at [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com).

A home camera caught the car crashing through the wall, followed immediately by screams. The three adults tried getting through the bedroom door, but it was blocked.

According to a crash report provided by Humphrey, a 13-year-old girl was waiting in the car for her mother when the vehicle “was somehow accidentally put into gear.” The girl was taken to the hospital with right knee pain.

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Control and Prevention reported Dec. 21 that nearly 3 in 4 cases nationwide are of the omicron variant, and it could be as high as 90% or more in some regions, including the industrial Midwest.

State officials announced the first detected omicron case in Indiana on Dec. 19. The variant was detected in a specimen collected Dec. 9, and the person was unvaccinated.

Scientists are still in the early stages of learning about the new variant.

Fauci said people who are vaccinated with a booster shot should be OK in congregate settings like airports while still taking other precautions such as wearing a mask.

The CDC says it’s not clear if an omicron infection will cause more serious illness, a factor that could change depending on if it’s the person’s first infection or a repeat infection. Vaccines are still expected to protect against serious illness, but so far, only the Moderna and Pfizer shots, when reinforced

with a booster, appear to still be effective at stopping infections.

There were 697 new COVID-19 cases reported in Marion County on Dec. 15, the most since Sept. 9. Slightly more than half of county residents are considered fully vaccinated, though the vaccine rate for African Americans (35%) is far behind that of other demographics, which are all above 50%.

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‘SWAN SONG’

By DWIGHT BROWN
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“I love you Cameron Tanner. Always have. Always will.” Most husbands adore their wives’ words of love. Cameron’s (Mahershala Ali, “Moonlight”) ambivalence stems from his secret, painful ordeal. He’s dying and his wife, Poppy (Naomie Harris, “Moonlight”), doesn’t know it.

Convulsions. Blackouts. Brain disease is draining the life out of him. Poppy has just emerged from months of depression after the death of her brother Andre (Nyasha Hatendi) and the couple is going through a rough patch. He can’t heap more burdens on her or fathom leaving her alone to parent their young son Cory (Dax Rey). Out of sheer desperation, Cam seeks out a service that can clone him — DNA et al. A genetically engineered replica would integrate into his family, without their knowledge, and support his wife and child long after he has died. Nothing goes smoothly.

The dra/sci-fi premise is set in the future when driverless cars are old hat and technology has made human replication near seamless. Best Short Film Oscar-winner Benjamin Cleary (“Stutterer”) builds the characters with three dimensions in a genre that rarely uses more the two. The evocative storyline reveals plot points in a jumbled spread-out fashion. Things are hinted at before being revealed. It’s an alluring puzzlement that grabs then holds your attention.

When Cameron and his doppelganger confront each other’s fears and act out, the film finds its footing. Then, real outward emotions ground the previously sterile storyline and themes of selflessness and making the ultimate sacrifice emerge. It’s enough to make audiences consider if they would do the same if they faced similar circumstances and could get away with it.



Mahershala Ali in “Swan Song.”

The crisp earth colors (art director Michael Diner, “The Revenant”), sharp cinematography (Masanobu Takayanagi, “Hostiles”) and slick and amazing tech tricks (special effects coordinator Tony Lazarowich) make everything look real when obviously it’s not. Floating in air checklists, dad and son playing MMA fighter games with little droids on a Zoom conference call, robocars ... Production designer Annie Beauchamp (“Moulin Rouge”) along with set decorator Shannon Gottlieb create interiors, exteriors and props that reflect the futuristic times in the most sparse and exquisite ways. Jay Wadley’s modern touch musical score eschews legato for staccato piano music and is greatly aided by a playlist that includes Frank Ocean crooning “Moon River” in the most spacy and weirdly bewitching way.

Only an actor of Ali’s caliber could interpret a character on death’s door with so much grace he makes you feel his sorrow in every frame and understand his apprehensions. Actors playing two characters on screen at the same time

her. Together, Ali and Harris magically forge a partnership that is earnest and endearing.

Glenn Close as Dr. Scott, leader of the experimental Arra Laboratory, is as nurturing as she is callous. Adam Beach is far more sensitive and caring as Dalton a lab technician. Providing needed comic relief among the constant strain of sadness is the job of Awkwafina as Kate, a woman in a similar last chapter situation.

The mixed feelings of the main character surmise the mixed feelings the audience will have watching a very sobering narrative that brings death to the forefront. In real life the only way you can leave a piece of yourself behind is by passing your spirit along to the ones you know and love. Here, Cam-



Mahershala Ali and Naomie Harris in “Swan Song.”

is routine. Actors making this kind of deep connection with their alter egos is not. Feelings well up in Cameron and his clone that Ali passes along to you in the most haunting way. Harris, as a musical therapist who plays the piano and sings with an enchanting soprano voice, melts into the Poppy character. Her misery is blinding and her happiness celestial. It’s easy to see why a husband would not want to abandon

eron gets to kick the tires and check under the hood of the look-alike who will keep his persona alive. It’s surreal, poignant and stylish beyond words thanks to Cleary’s visions.

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SPOTLIGHT

‘Sickening’ examines disparity in health care for Black Americans

By TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

Something inside isn’t working quite right.

Your stomach hurts, your lungs are on fire, you gurgle where you shouldn’t, and there’s a sharp pain where there wasn’t one yesterday. You’ve tried every home remedy there is, but something inside you isn’t right. So, as in the new book “Sickening” by Anne Pollock, will the inside of you be treated based on the color of your outside?

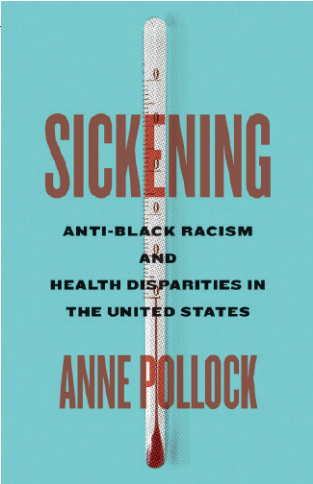
On Oct. 21, 2001, Washington, D.C., postal workers Thomas Morris and Joseph Curseen died from inhaled anthrax, a poison which authorities presumed had leaked from a package sent to a member of the Senate. Morris’ and Curseen’s co-workers believed their workplace, which was staffed mostly by Black employees at that time, was contaminated in several places — and yet, despite the danger, “postal workers were repeatedly told that there was nothing to worry about.”

Before they died, both men sought medical help, but their concerns were dismissed.

Perhaps because of the proximity to 9/11, most white Americans were unaware of this incident, says Pollock. She sees this as a starting point for discussion about health disparities for Black Americans in modern times.

Not quite four years after Morris and Curseen died, Hurricane Katrina hit the southern coast of Louisiana, where “the impacts of the storm were most heavily borne by ... residents who were Black and poor.” This includes those who lost access to or were denied medication, as well as those who were forced to shelter in unsanitary or overcrowded conditions.

Being imprisoned is notoriously bad for one’s health, but release, says Pollock, can likewise be detrimental to one’s well-being. You only need look as far as Flint, Michigan, to see what



“Sickening: Anti-Black Racism and Health Disparities in the United States” Anne Pollock 203 pages \$21.95 University of Minnesota Press c.2021

happens when a utility fails in a largely Black community. Just trying to live in America can come with violence, if you’re young and Black; or injustice if you’re pregnant and Black. You can do what you can do to stay healthy but, as Pollock quotes a British journal, “being poor in America, and especially being poor and Black ... is still hazardous to your health.”

There’s no doubt about it: “Sickening” is sobering.

It’s made even more so by the fact that author Anne Pollock is a professor of global health and social medicine in London, which widens the focus of everything she presents here.

Under that microscope is not a good place for America to be.

And yet, despite that the anecdotal evidence Pollock uses to prove health disparity for Blacks in the U.S. is shocking, it also feels like surface-skimming. These tales are nothing new — not news-wise, and certainly not to Black readers — but their presence in this thin, important book may leave the small, sometimes more impactful, tales to go untold. Readers deserve those tales, too; fortunately, Pollock’s “template for analysis” can help with deeper digging and further learning.

Policymakers would be well-served to read this book, as would students and activists who want a launching-off point. “Sickening” is a good, if not quite thorough, start; all you have to do is look inside ...

Super Crossword

BROODING SEASON

- ACROSS
- 1 Examined by touching

9 Smart — (know-it-all) opposites

14 Alphas

20 All across the region

21 Indian city on the Yamuna River

22 “Gil Blas” novelist Alain-René —

23 Blemish-resistant bar seat?

25 Male flower part

26 Earth lighter

27 Autumn chill

28 Sentry allowing nobody to nap?

30 Monet, say

34 Intestices

36 — roll (hot)

37 Shoulder-hugging, hom-honking driver?

42 Thin and supple

47 Duck cousin

48 Actress Messing

49 More plucky

50 Lt.’s inferior

53 “I see mice!”

56 Ear-related

58 Indian city on the Yamuna River

59 Vehicle in a chase scene

63 Decorative pins worn by jockeys?

67 Yellow-and-black bird

68 16-Down, to Jacob

69 Flagged auto

70 Mao — -tung

71 Bit of pasta that’s really hard to find?

77 Bodily pouch

79 Spanish for “hat”

80 Big pet food brand

81 “Infinite” rapper

84 Have pain from bending forward too sharply?

89 Tire type

90 Tolkien terrorizers

91 Up — (stymied)

92 — Lanka

94 Butter holder

95 More hideous

97 — liver (meat product)

100 Harvestable

104 Work layoff, slangily

105 Dive to attack with perfect form?

111 Texter’s “I think ...”

113 Neeson of “Darkman”

114 GMC pickup

115 Decide on Domino’s for dinner?

122 Taylor of “Cleopatra,” for short

124 Los Angeles’ Playa — Rey

125 Regular practices

126 Botching an April 1 prank?

131 Crops up

132 Ickily sticky

133 Enlarge

134 Quick

135 In any way

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1 Volkswagen model

2 Maestro Toscanini

3 Simple shed

4 — gow (casino option)

5 Grain beard

6 Up to, informally

7 Paradise

8 Blueprint

9 TV spots

10 “Show me”

11 College town in North Carolina

12 Toy train, when doubled

13 Quantity in a narc’s bust

14 Former NFLer Merlin

15 Annual ritzy NYC fundraising event

16 Biblical birthright seller

17 Explorer Vasco da —

18 Antiquing aid

19 Ship off, say

24 Petty quarrel

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31 “— so you!”

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35 Prof’s deg.

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41 Raiment

43 Apple option

44 Close, as a community

45 “— to you!”

46 Rub out

49 Person rubbing it in

50 Prefix with warrior

51 And not

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54 Noted Deco master

55 Furry fruit

57 Rocket paths

60 Pigeon noise

61 Balm plants

62 Betelgeuse or Antares

64 Clangor

65 How balloons float

66 Trump replaced him

72 Thief’s bagful

73 “Bali —”

74 Autos such as Gremlins and Pacers

75 Belgian river

76 Spain’s El —

77 Teapot part

78 “I’m so frustrated!”

82 Water, to Gigi

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86 Mean whale

87 High point

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106 Film score composer Schifrin

107 Iago’s wife

108 Hard trial

109 Bully’s threat ender

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115 Cartoonist Addams

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117 Off-Broadway prize

118 French river or department

119 TV actress Swenson

120 — suit (1940s duds)

121 Reverse alphabetical order

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EDITORIAL

Sadly, shaming the poor is the American way

By OSEYE BOYD



Joe Manchin doesn't like poor people. The Democrat senator from West Virginia allegedly told a few colleagues in private he thinks poor parents will use money from the enhanced child tax credit for drugs. According to an article from Huff Post, Manchin allegedly also is concerned the proposed policy for paid sick leave will encourage Americans to play hooky. Instead of going to work, Americans will go hunting.

Manchin is under fire for blowing up President Joe Biden's Build Back Better bill, an almost \$2 trillion package focused on repairing economic and climate issues facing the country today. The bill was whittled down to appease Manchin after he voiced earlier objections to the price tag.

One of the sticking points for Manchin is the enhanced child tax credit through the American Rescue Plan. The child tax credit increased from \$2,000 to \$3,000 and children under 6 received an additional \$600 for 2021. Half of the money was given to families through monthly payments; the rest once 2021 taxes are filed. Starting in July, families with children under 6 received a \$300 monthly payment. Those with children ages 6-17 received \$250. Low-income parents who don't file a tax return were also eligible for the enhanced credit. Build Back Better included a year extension of the credit.

About 36 million families received the enhanced child tax credit, and the payments have cut child poverty by 30%. It's expected about 10 million chil-

dren will fall under the poverty line if the credit goes away.

But all of that is beside the point for Manchin. He's more concerned that the parents of those children will take the money to get high as if poor people are the only ones who use illicit drugs and are the only ones irresponsible with money.

"I cannot accept our economy, or basically our society, moving towards an entitlement mentality," Manchin said a few months ago. "That you're entitled. OK. I'm more of a rewarding because I can help those who really need help because I can help them do so."

Well, that's pretty rich coming from a coal baron. Back in October some West Virginians kayaked to Manchin's yacht, Almost Heaven, to protest his resistance to the Build Back Better plan when it had a \$3.5 trillion price tag.

My problem with Manchin and so many others in our country is how it's so easy to shame the poor. We like to pretend everyone who is wealthy received their money through hard work. And we like to pretend as if wealthy people — and the not so wealthy — don't have an attitude of entitlement. Entitlement is an American tradition. It's OK for the wealthy to be entitled, though, but poor people better not. It's OK for wealthy people to use drugs, but not the poor. And it's OK for wealthy people to skip work, but if you're poor, you better be at work and be there early!

Politicians get us worked up about supposed welfare for the needy while corporate welfare goes unchecked. The myth of the welfare queen continues to anger hard-working Americans. As long as we're focused on nonexistent people getting rich off of welfare, we're not angry that the average pay in 2020

for CEOs was 351 times higher than a typical worker. From 1978 to 2020, CEO pay grew by a whopping 1,322%, according to the Economic Policy Institute.

This doesn't get our attention, though, because we want to believe that one day, we too could be that rich CEO, and we don't want to identify with the person living in poverty. No one wants to be poor. It's why we work so hard to look as if we're not. Although, if we're honest, more of us are closer to poverty than wealth.

According to U.S. census data, the median household income in 2020 was \$67,521, a drop of 2.9% from \$69,560 in 2019. Median household income hasn't had a statistically significant decline since 2011, so this is a big deal. Between 2019 and 2020, the real median earnings of workers aged 15 and over declined 1.2% from \$42,065 to \$41,535. In 2020, the official poverty rate was 11.4% a 1 percentage point increase from 10.5% in 2019. It's the first increase in poverty after five consecutive annual declines. Black people had the highest poverty rate at 19.5% in 2020.

We know people who live in poverty work a lot. Many work more than one job. It's not the lack of working; it's the wages. They're too low to live on and this is why people need assistance from the government. Being poor doesn't make you a bad person. It's not a character flaw, and it certainly doesn't make you more prone to drug use than any other group of people.

America tells you to work hard but then shames you if that hard work doesn't make you rich. Now, that's shameful.

By LARRY SMITH



Two recent developments have the potential to upend the multibillion-dollar college athletics landscape, especially as regards its two crown jewels: football and basketball.

Fortunately, historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) stand to become a major beneficiary of both occurrences. The first development is the recent change to the NCAA's rules regarding college athletes being able to draw income from their name, image and likeness (NIL).

It is nearly impossible to overstate how monumental this change is. The NCAA is the gatekeeper of the rules that govern the participation of athletes across all college sports. Their rules range from the practical to the esoteric, from the indispensable to the arcane. Most importantly, the NCAA was the (mostly) unchallenged arbiter of anything that had to do with the ability of college athletes to earn money based upon their physical gifts.

The hallmark of the organization was an ironclad grip on restricting athletes from benefitting financially from their own labor. (Teenagers literally signed away their legal right to make money

from their NIL upon becoming a college athlete.) This one-sided arrangement allowed for-profit companies and nonprofit colleges alike to rake in billions of dollars annually. It allowed college coaches to make as much as \$10 million annually. Yet, college athletes often went without health insurance and even adequate food, especially when their sport was not in season. This decades-long reality was indentured servitude by another name.

That changed six months ago. The NCAA issued guidelines regarding how athletes may begin to benefit from their NIL. To be sure, the organization did not have a change of heart; their hand was unceremoniously forced by legal changes in some states and by increasing pressure from the federal government.

Why might this change be crucial to HBCUs? Consider this fact: The football complex at the University of Alabama is — by itself — worth more than the total endowment at many HBCUs. Think about that for a second. Despite the fact that the legendary football program at Louisiana's Grambling State University once boasted more NFL players than any other school, HBCUs simply could not compete with the money that philanthropists, corporate sponsors and state governments lavished on pre-

dominately white institutions (PWIs). State-of-the-art facilities and national television exposure are very difficult for top athletes to forego.

Now that the people who produce the highly profitable labor can themselves benefit financially, they may be more inclined to consider attending an HBCU. Further, a few such decisions could lead to a virtuous cycle in which corporate sponsors and others would invest more money in HBCUs (hopefully, not just their athletic facilities), which in turn would encourage more top athletes to consider attending the schools.

This leads me to the second major development. The No. 1 overall college football prospect, Travis Hunter, decided to attend Jackson State University — the school at which NFL legend Deion Sanders is the head coach. Interestingly, Hunter had planned to attend Sanders' alma mater, Florida State University. Obviously, it's too soon to know whether this action will become a trend, but the possibilities are stunning. The phrase "game changer" doesn't adequately describe what could take place in the near future. Eddie Robinson must be smiling from afar.

On a related note, the rule change could also have ripple effects vis-à-vis female athletes. As we saw with this year's NCAA basketball tournament,

facilities and amenities for female athletes often are not up to the same standards as are those for male athletes. A few superstar female athletes in sports like basketball and soccer could change that reality.

Of course, this titanic shift comes with potential problems. While there has never been a shortage of grifters and outright criminals who are poised to take advantage of college athletes (e.g., via "points shaving"), the new rules expand the opportunity for unscrupulous people to crawl out of their proverbial holes. Parents and other caring adults will need to be especially vigilant in the years ahead.

Still, all in all, things are looking up for college athletes. Their literal blood, sweat and tears will yield many of them financial resources. This is especially important to Black athletes, the majority of whom come from low-income backgrounds. Further, NIL dollars could have the unintended consequence of actually encouraging athletes to stay in college for four years.

Now, if they would only give Reggie Bush back his Heisman Trophy...

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You still have time!

By KHALILAH A. SHABAZZ



We've nearly made it through another year. I don't know about you but I'm all right with saying goodbye to 2021, because it certainly had more twists and turns than I expected. Although I'm beyond thankful to still be here and don't take for granted all the wins I had this year, I also hate that I experienced so much pain and loss. Not to mention that when the year began, I was so hopeful and had planned so many things to accomplish for the year. They weren't necessarily New Year's resolutions but rather a list of commitments to myself that may or may not have included things like lose my COVID-19 pounds, write a book, read more, etc. While I made some progress

on these accomplishments, I feel like I blinked and now we're already at the end of the year. Where did the time go? I question if we truly have the same 24 hours in a day because I felt like I did more, I was busier, had more meetings, had more stuff to do, and it just didn't feel like I had enough time — enough time in the day, month or even year. The reality is the time in the day didn't change but everything else and everybody else consumed it. So, as I began to reflect over the year — I choose not to be disappointed in what I don't think I accomplished, but rather focus my energy on the fact that you and I still have time! Whatever I set out in 2021 to do, God willing I still have time to get done. Now it may not happen in the remaining few days of this year, but I don't have to disregard what I had planned just because 2022 is on the horizon. In fact, I'm claiming that 2022 is the year to do you! In order to make this happen, here's a couple of things I hope to do.

For one, I'm going to quit waiting for permission! I've often found myself simplifying and downplaying the accomplishments I have made or the visions that I have for greater. I feel like I'm waiting for permission to execute the next best thing in my life when in reality I'm just holding myself back. I'm not necessarily waiting on the nod of approval from others, but rather waiting on myself to allow me to move forward. I find myself making excuses or creating delays and barriers that are unnecessary. If you've experienced this, allow me to remind both of us of the saying "ask for forgiveness later instead of permission first." Let's stop waiting for ourselves to give us permission to live and be greater — no more holding back.

Another thing I plan to do is to be intentional, not only with my plans but with my time. When I think of what I've typically thought I could accomplish in a day, I realize it was far too much. I over planned my day and then would be discouraged when I hadn't

accomplished enough on my to do list. The problem wasn't what I hadn't accomplished, it was thinking I was Superwoman and could get everything and anything done. I planned without intention. Also, it is clear that the day is not going to be extended more than 24 hours, so I need to make a concerted effort to carve out more time for me, myself and I. In the famous words of Maxine Waters — I'm reclaiming my time! I plan to start small but be consistent with it. Being intentional about prioritizing myself and my time will be critical to focusing on that greater that is coming for me!

Lastly, I plan to invite newness into my life. I realize that for many years of my life, my day and night patterns stay on repeat. Healing from childhood traumas for me has meant efforts to sustain routine, stability, and the norms of my life. Reducing the possibilities of outlier moments, unexpectedness, etc. is a means of control that is disguised as being structured, disciplined or organized. These characteristics are great, but they limit the opportunity for newness. I'm going to be more spontaneous, welcoming of adventure and creativity so that new experiences, new patterns, and new life finds its way to me.

While it is true that we don't know the hour nor the day that we will leave this earthly place, I believe until that time has come, we must live our lives to the fullest. I'm encouraging myself while hopefully encouraging you that it is not to late to do just that. Whatever it is that you been envisioning for your life, for your year, for your day — know that indeed you still have time! As the clock winds down on 2021, I'm wishing you a Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa and that in the year 2022 you unapologetically do you!

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burglarizing the construction site.

A spokesperson for the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department said in an emailed statement to WFYI that they received a call from “a citizen concerned about kids playing near the construction site.”

But there was no construction equipment there, Morris said, and the trailer is not part of the building renovations.

Several police cars eventually arrived at the site.

“The whole point of this space is for it to be a space for them to be themselves and do whatever they want to do,” Morris said. “And now they’re being confronted, like they did something wrong.”

After Morris explained to the police that the trailer was set up for the teens to use — and that there was nothing wrong going on — the situation was resolved and the officers left.

But the teens were shaken up. Morris said as soon as the teens saw the police cars coming, they ran into the trailer. For them, it was almost a knee-jerk reaction.

Luthe said it is not hard to see why: These interactions can turn into life-or-death situations.

“Fortunately, they ran into the trailer. You know, if they had run down the street, what would have happened?” she said.

Luthe said this situation was unwarranted, but it does not surprise her. She has seen repeated incidents of the cops getting called on Black teens around the center and Tarkington Park across the street for doing what she describes as “teenage stuff.”

“Sometimes people call the police after dusk when kids are in the park after the time they’re supposed to be,” she said.

Like many U.S. cities, Indianapolis is experiencing the lasting impacts of segregation and racist housing policies. The result: disparities in education, health, economic opportunity, levels of gun violence and law enforcement presence in communities of color.

Higher levels of policing in Black

communities is a concern, Luthe said, because unnecessary interactions between Black children and police can lead to potentially dangerous situations for the children.

Local and national trends point to greater use of force in policing of low-income, predominantly African American communities. Police in Indianapolis use force on Black residents 2.5 times more than on white residents, according to data from SAVI, a data analysis program at IUPUI.

The MLK Center and Tarkington Park are located at the intersection of stark racial and economic disparities in Indianapolis. The area has had its share of racial tension, Luthe said. But the center is slowly making progress.

“We’re right next to a condominium tower and half the building probably has my cell phone number, the front desk has every [MLK Center] staff person’s picture and phone number,” she said. “So we’ve done a lot of things to educate the community. What we want to do is be the buffer.”

Still, Luthe said there is a lot of work that needs to be done to address “false assumptions and prejudice” against young Black men and women. Unconscious biases and racism are very much at play, she said, and young Black people are the ones who often pick up the tab.

Luthe’s message to the community is: “When you see young Black men playing basketball at the community center parking lot, then that’s what you should see. You should see them playing basketball and having fun.”

But unfortunately, she said, “not everybody sees them that way.”

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HIM by HER Collegiate School for the Arts + Foundation

Kara Kavensky

Harry Dunn III and his wife, Michelle Dunn, both former police officers, were inspired to launch a school focused on Helping and Improving Mankind by Healing Every Race (HIM by HER). The result is the HIM by HER Collegiate School for the ARTS. They announced their idea in 2014 and the funding and support flooded in to make their goal a reality.

Their school is located on 32nd Street near Emerson Avenue, in the heart of the 46218 zip code. Approved via Ball State University, Harry and Michelle opened the school in August of 2020, in the midst of the pandemic. Due to the size of their building, which is over 200k square feet, they were able to maintain in-person classes for their students with spacing. To date, they have experienced zero cases of COVID-19. That August, they began with Kindergarten through 2nd grade. This year, they tripled their size and now offer Kindergarten through 6th grade, and will continue to expand as they reach their



Kindergarten through 8th grade potential.

“It is important to get people in the community to take the community back because we cannot arrest our way to making improvements,” states Harry Dunn, a former homicide detective with IMPD.

It took six years for Harry and Michelle to accomplish their goal of opening HIM by HER. Their foundation, which owns the school, raised enough funds for them to purchase a former IPS school to serve the community. The school is located

two blocks from where they made their initial announcement.

The mission of HIM By HER Collegiate School for the Arts (HBHCSA) is to educate all students in our charge with rigorous academics appropriately infused with community commitment and character development necessary for college entry and success, and for productive lives in society. We also endeavor to counteract the “School-to-Prison Pipeline.” In addition, their Foundations’ mission is to improve the life skills and economic prospects of marginalized

youth and adults. HIM By HER serves as a bridge for a successful, productive life in the community as a positive outcome, rather than the possibility of street life or incarceration as a negative outcome.

Their goals cannot be accomplished without wrap-around services for the families they serve. Per their website, the Foundation’s vocational training programs provide a vehicle for adults to enhance their employability and prospects for self-employment and entrepreneurship, as well. This will also

benefit adults who have criminal histories that limit employment prospects. Realizing that a holistic approach is necessary, the Foundation will use its strategic partnerships with other entities to utilize their expertise in providing social, family support, and mental health resources.

A recent addition to their existing programming is engaging with Eleven Fifty Academy and offering an accelerated means to leap into a new career in tech. US Bureau of Labor Statistics is forecasting

a job growth rate of 22% for software developers between 2019 and 2029, compared with 4% for other occupations. By providing access to this education and wrap around services to support engagement for individuals to go through a course to skill up into a sustainable career in tech, HIM by HER is facilitating an opportunity for a better future.

Removing barriers to entry is half of the effort, and Eleven Fifty Academy also provides a strong Career Services division to help find their graduates jobs. Currently, the demographics of Eleven Fifty Academy courses are 32% female, 28% minority, and 11% veterans. The Academy is committed to increasing their minority population.

“These positions are in demand and we aim to fill them with people from 46218,” says Stephen Lewis, Director of Student Success, Eleven Fifty Academy.

Big gift will go for youth mental health at medical school

Associated Press

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (AP) — A donation of \$34.2 million will establish a youth mental health center at Indiana University medical school in Evansville.

Evansville natives Bill and Mary Stone announced the donation Dec. 17.

The gift will endow three chairs and support six other adolescent psychiatrists or fellowships in southwestern Indiana, where several counties don't have mental health services.

The psychiatrists also will conduct research with a focus on bipolar and other mood disorders.

The center will "seek to fundamentally alter and improve the standard of care for people with bipolar disorder and dramatically increase access to psychiatric care for the children and an adolescent youth of southwestern Indiana," a news release said.

The gift is one of the largest in the medical school's history.

"The center will create a first of its kind, real-world, real-time database of the treatment of psychiatric disorders, built with millions of medical records across the country," said Dr. Steven Baker, associate dean.

Bill Stone, founder, chairman and chief executive at SS&C Technologies, has lived much of his life in Connecticut but has supported many projects in Evansville.

"Without results, it's all baloney," Stone said. "Let's not get too excited until we win. This is just the first step."



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Omicron sweeps across nation, now 73% of new US COVID cases

By MIKE STOBBE
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Omicron has raced ahead of other variants and is now the dominant version of the coronavirus in the U.S., accounting for 73% of new infections last week, federal health officials said Dec. 20.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention numbers showed nearly a six-fold increase in omicron's share of infections in only one week.

In much of the country, it's even higher. Omicron is responsible for an estimated 90% or more of new infections in the New York area, the Southeast, the industrial Midwest and the Pacific Northwest. The national rate suggests that more than 650,000 omicron infections occurred in the U.S. last week.

Since the end of June, the delta variant had been the main version causing U.S. infections. As recently as the end of November, more than 99.5% of coronaviruses were delta, according to CDC data.

CDC Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky said the new numbers reflect the kind of growth seen in other countries. "These numbers are stark, but they're not surprising," she said.

Scientists in Africa first sounded the alarm about omicron less than a month ago and on Nov. 26 the World Health Organization designated it as a "variant of concern." The mutant has since shown up in about 90 countries.

Much about the omicron variant remains unknown, including whether it causes more or less severe illness. Early studies suggest the vaccinated will need a booster shot for the best chance at preventing omicron infection but even without the extra dose, vaccination still should offer strong protection against severe illness and death.

"All of us have a date with omicron," said Dr. Amesh Adal-

ja, a senior scholar at the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security. "If you're going to interact with society, if you're going to have any type of life, omicron will be something you encounter, and the best way you can encounter this is to be fully vaccinated."

Adalja said he was not surprised by the CDC data showing omicron overtaking delta in the U.S., given what was seen in South Africa, the U.K. and Denmark. He predicted spread over the holidays, including breakthrough infections among the vaccinated and serious complications among the unvaccinated that could stress hospitals already burdened by delta.

Dr. Eric Topol, head of the Scripps Research Translational Institute, said other countries had seen omicron's fast growth, but the U.S. data showed "a remarkable jump in such a short time."

Topol also said it's unclear how much milder omicron really is compared with other variants. "That's the big uncertainty now."

CDC's estimates are based on thousands of coronavirus specimens collected each week through university and commercial laboratories and state and local health departments. Scientists analyze their genetic sequences to determine which versions of the COVID-19 viruses are most abundant.

On Dec. 20, the CDC revised its estimate for omicron cases for the week that ended Dec. 11, after analyzing more samples. About 13% of the cases that week were from omicron, not the 3% previously reported. The week before, omicron accounted for just 0.4% of cases.

CDC officials said they do not yet have estimates of how many hospitalizations or deaths are due to omicron.

Though there remain a lot of new infections caused by the delta variant, "I anticipate that over time that delta will be crowded out by omicron," Walensky said.

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Early Syphilis Cases Increase in Marion County

Early syphilis cases in Marion County increased by 69% in 2020, from 317 cases in 2019 to 536 cases in 2020. The largest increases were among persons living with HIV; persons who are Black, African American or Hispanic; and men who have sex with men (MSM).

The rise in early syphilis cases in Marion County has continued in 2021, with an estimated 662 cases by the end of the year.

Notably, cases among women have nearly doubled in 2021, with an estimated 98 cases in 2021 as compared to 54 cases in 2020, and the proportion of women with early syphilis who are pregnant has also increased.

Across the United States, cases of syphilis increased 74% between 2015-2019, with 129,813 cases in 2019 compared to 74,709 in 2015.

MSM remain disproportionately impacted accounting for a large number of male cases; however, rates among women have increased greatly in the recent years. During the years 2018-2019, the rate of congenital syphilis – when syphilis is passed from a woman to her baby during pregnancy – increased 41%. At the same time, the rate of primary and secondary syphilis among women of childbearing age increased 28%. National data from 2020 and 2021 have not yet been released.

In the fall of 2020, the Marion County Public Health Department's STD Control Program and Bell Flower Clinic reported the increases in early syphilis to medical providers and community partners. It requested appropriate syphilis testing, prompt treatment, immediate case reporting, and collaboration with the health department for partner services.

Bell Flower Clinic has continued to provide low-cost STD services at its main location throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. A satellite STD testing site opened in

September 2020 in an area with a high rate of early syphilis.

In the spring of 2021, the STD Control Program launched a free at-home STD testing program marketed to key populations through an online dating application. Early syphilis is now the top priority of the program's Disease Intervention Specialists (DIS) to provide timely disease investigation, partner notification, and linkage to services.

MCPHD recently received funding to expand and modernize its DIS workforce, which will strengthen the response to increases in early syphilis in Marion County. It is working closely with the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on response efforts.

MCPHD and IDOH have worked together to develop syphilis campaign materials that will be widely released on social media. Additionally, MCPHD and IDOH are partnering with CDC on a rapid ethnographic assessment to better understand what may be contributing to recent increases in syphilis in Marion County.

With this project, CDC staff are gathering information from various individuals in the community including staff at the local and state health department, staff at community-based organizations, local medical providers, and people at increased risk for syphilis.

Findings from the project will be used by MCPHD and IDOH to inform public health efforts such as improving access to and the quality of STD services and enhancing delivery of STD programs and related services.

Medical providers are encouraged to consult with MCPHD's Bell Flower Clinic and STD Control Program as needed. To contact Bell Flower, please call 317-221-8300.

More information about Bell Flower Clinic is available at BellFlowerClinic.org.

Churches proceed with caution amid omicron variant

By **BREANNA COOPER**
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Janeane Jones hasn't been inside Friendship Missionary Baptist Church for nearly two years, despite being a member for nearly 30 years. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020, Jones — who is a caregiver for her brother and often cares for her young grandson — has watched service through Facebook to help keep her family healthy. While she said sticking to virtual services is worth it to stay safe, Jones, like many other churchgoers, thought service would be back to normal by now.

But as the pandemic rages on, the omicron variant threw a wrench into some churches' plans for the holiday season. While some churches returned to in-person services, many have reverted to virtual services ahead of Christmas and New Year's Eve services. Churches remaining in person often require congregants to wear a mask to protect themselves against the highly contagious variant.

The first case of the omicron COVID-19 variant in Indiana was discovered in an unvaccinated resident Dec. 19. Since March 2020, over 1 million Hoosiers have been diagnosed with the virus, and 17,757 people in the state have died of COVID-19. With the newest variant discovered in Indiana just a week before Christmas, many local churches are taking precautions to keep their congregations safe.

Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church won't have a Christmas Eve



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service, but Pastor Darryl Webster said attendees of the New Year's Eve service are required to wear a mask throughout the service, have their temperatures taken at the door and use hand sanitizer when they enter the east side church. This is also the case for regular Sunday services.

To help raise awareness of the COVID-19 vaccine, the church hosted a vaccine clinic after service Dec. 12.

"When you look at it, the statistics tell us that people are dying, but being vaccinated helps you if you get the virus," Webster said. "It's one thing to have faith, but you have to be prepared. King David had faith, but he also had a sword."

Getting Hoosiers vaccinated is part of Dr. Lionel Rush's ministry. As presi-

dent of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Indianapolis (IMAI) and pastor of Greater Anointing Fellowship Church of God in Christ, Rush said church leaders have a responsibility to put the health and safety of their congregants at the forefront.

While Greater Anointing Fellowship has remained virtual since the beginning of the pandemic, the church will partner with the IMAI for a vespers service on Dec. 23. Social distancing and masks will be required, and a virtual option is available for those wanting to tune in from home. Rush said about 75% of his congregants are vaccinated, but he and other leaders are concerned about a potential surge in COVID-19 cases in the next few weeks as people travel and gather for Christ-

Across US, houses of worship struggle to rebuild attendance

By **DAVID CRARY**
AP National Writer

When Westminster United Methodist Church in Houston resumed in-person services late last year, after a seven-month halt due to COVID-19, there were Sundays when only three worshippers showed up, according to the pastor, Meredith Mills.

Since then, attendance has inched back up, but it's still only about half the pre-pandemic turnout of 160 or 170, Mills estimates.

"It's frustrating," she said. "People just seem to want to leave home less these days."

Some houses of worship are faring better than Mills' church, some worse. Polls by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research shows how dramatically church attendance fell during the worst of the pandemic last year, even as many say they are now returning to regular service attendance.

Among mainline Protestants, just 1% said in a May 2020 poll that they were attending in-person services at least once a week. In the new poll, 14% say they're doing so now, compared to 16% who say they did in 2019.

Among evangelical Protestants, 37% now say they are attending services in person at least weekly, while 42% said they did that in 2019. In the May 2020 poll, just 11% said they were attending services in person that often.

Among Catholics, 26% attend in person at least weekly now, compared with 30% in 2019. In the 2020 poll, conducted as many bishops temporarily waived the obligation for weekly Mass attendance, just 5% were worshipping in person at least weekly.

At St. Ambrose Catholic Parish in Brunswick, Ohio, the six services each weekend drew a total of about 3,800 worshippers before the pandemic, according to the pastor, Bob Stec. Current weekend attendance is about 2,800, Stec says, with 1,600 or more households joining online worship.

Elsewhere, churches large and small have taken hits in attendance.

John Elkins, teaching pastor at Sovereign Grace Fellowship in Brazoria, Texas, says 25 to 30 people have attended services recently, down from around 50 before the pandemic.

"For some, I was not political enough," he said via email. "Some wanted more activities, some just stopped going to church."

Sovereign Grace, a Southern Baptist church, had never offered online worship before the pandemic. When in-person worship was halted for a month in 2020, leaving online worship as the only option, Elkins said he did more crisis counseling for congregation

members than ever before.

At the much larger First Church of God in Columbus, Ohio, there was a near-total halt to in-person worship between March 2020 and September of this year. On two Sundays in September 2020, worshippers were invited back to the church to test the feasibility of in-person services.

"But it was obvious they were still uncomfortable — they came dressed like they were working at Chernobyl," said the senior pastor, Bishop Timothy Clarke, evoking hazmat suits appropriate for confronting a nuclear disaster.

Pre-pandemic, the predominantly African American church held three services each weekend, including one on Saturday evenings, with average total attendance of 2,500. Now there's a single service on Sunday, and only 500 worshippers — with masks and proof of vaccination — are allowed into a sanctuary that can seat more than 1,500.

The return to in-person worship "gives us a sense of connection and community," Clarke said. "But you also have safety."

At All Saints' Episcopal Church in the New York City borough of Brooklyn, average Sunday attendance dropped from about 140 pre-pandemic to as low as 30 before climbing back, reaching 120 earlier this month. The Rev. Steven Paulikas credits a mandatory mask policy.

"Mask wearing puts people at ease about their health and allows them to do what people come to church to do — worship God," he said.

Attendance is down sharply from pre-pandemic levels at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church in Cary, Illinois, which halted in-person, indoor worship for more than six months in 2020. Instead it held drive-in services in the parking lot.

Before the pandemic, about 115 people would attend one of two services offered on Sundays, said the pastor, Sarah Wilson. Now there's one service, and attendance is down by more than half.

"Some families are still nervous about being in a room with others, even though most people attending are vaccinated and we require masks," she said. "Other people have re-ordered their priorities and worship isn't one of them."

Friendswood United Methodist Church, in the Houston suburbs, has endured not only COVID-19 disruptions but also flooding during a winter storm last February that rendered the sanctuary unusable. It just reopened for services this month, said the pastor, Jim Bass.

Pre-pandemic, Friendswoods' Sun-



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day services would draw about 900 worshippers; Bass was pleased that about 650 gathered when the sanctuary reopened for high-energy, music-filled services on Dec. 5.

However, he said average attendance has been only half of that during most of the pandemic, creating a \$400,000 shortfall in expected giving.

Like many houses of worship, Friendswood offered online services as an alternative to in-person attendance. He considers them a mixed blessing — a plus for elderly congregation members worried about their health, but a dis-incentive for others who are increasingly disconnected from the church.

"They've become spectators," Bass said.

At Temple Beth El in Charlotte, North Carolina, Rabbi Asher Knight was elated that recent Hannukah celebrations drew about 300 people in person. Overall, attendance now is roughly half of pre-pandemic levels, but an improvement over periods earlier this year when only a handful of worshippers appeared.

"It was demoralizing and painful to lead worship with virtually no one present," he said. "But in October and November, people got the booster and their children got vaccinated and they slowly started coming back."

In September, amid a surge in COVID cases, Temple Judea in Coral Gables, Florida, observed the Jewish High Holy Days with no in-person services. So the sanctuary wouldn't look so empty for online services, Rabbi Judith Siegal and her staff filled it with cardboard cutouts of congregation members, including children and pets.

In-person worship has now resumed, and the range of weekly attendance — 75 to 125 people — is close to pre-pandemic levels.

mas. He said he's working with other pastors to determine safety protocols, but ultimately, churches won't go "back to normal" until people feel safe.

"It's not the churches' decision. We've seen too many instances of death and the trauma of people being intubated," Rush said. "Nearly everyone knows someone who has died because of the coronavirus. It's an equal opportunity killer, and that is the psyche of people. They'll determine when they return to church."

Members of New Mission Missionary Baptist Church returned to in-person services in September with social distancing and a mask requirement. However, when a congregant tested positive for COVID-19 in December, services returned to Facebook Live. Outreach Pastor Ruben McKenzie said having a virtual Christmas Eve service is a small price to pay to keep everyone safe.

While not physically being in church has been an adjustment for Jones, she said the meaning of Christmas hasn't changed.

"It doesn't feel less like the holidays for me," Jones said. "I do miss going to church, but I still pray every day and try to keep my closeness to our Heavenly Father and Jesus. And just normal things, like seeing decorations and Christmas songs, in my heart, nothing's changed."

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"We're still wearing masks, and the seating is still spread out," Siegal said. "But our members love it."

Among Christians, the option of worshipping online has been embraced by many evangelical Protestants, according to the AP-NORC poll. About 3 in 10 have livestreamed services at least weekly in recent months, compared with about 1 in 10 Catholics or mainline Protestants.

Three-quarters of evangelical Protestants say they pray privately at least weekly, compared with roughly half of mainline Protestants and Catholics, the poll found.

Roughly a quarter of evangelical Protestants say they've recently talked by phone or video conference with a religious or spiritual leader at least a few times a month, compared with about 1 in 10 mainline Protestants and Catholics.

Some faith leaders, such as Meredith Mills, see some positives, such as more energy in the church, even with fewer worshippers.

"The ones showing up right now are the people who really want to be there," she said. "There's a lot of joy in the room Sunday mornings. It's one of the reasons that, despite everything, I still love my job."

The AP-NORC poll of 1,083 adults was conducted Oct. 21-25 using a sample designed to be representative of U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 4 percentage points.

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SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

What's in a name?

By PRESTON T. ADAMS III

*"For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given, and the
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Wonderful Counselor, Mighty
God, Everlasting Father, Prince
of Peace." Isaiah 9:6*



What's in a name? Our names are an incredibly important part of our identity. They carry deep personal, cultural, familial and connections. They sense of who we nunities in which d our place in the

Names matter. A name, or identity, is a powerful thing. It is a descriptor that allows people to make quick judgments and assumptions about us. Calling someone properly by their name — especially when that name is not very familiar to your ears — is an act of recognizing the uniqueness of each individual and respecting their personal stories.

Naming is in African culture is significant. Names give the newborn baby an identity, indicates that the child is an accepted society member and also shows gratitude to God for the blessing of the birth of that child.

Isaiah chapter 9 begins with the description of Jesus as a “Hope for Israel” (David Guzik Commentary). There is joy in the Messiah’s deliverance and victory. There is glory upon the Messiah who will reign. Isaiah



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resource as a counselor. Jesus can help us with our problems.

The Messiah is our mighty God. This means God is the God of all creation and glory, the Lord who reigns in heaven, the one worthy of our worship and praise. The Messiah is the Everlasting Father. The idea in these Hebrew words is that Jesus is the source or author of all eternity, that he is the creator himself. Finally, the Messiah is our prince of peace. He is the one who makes peace, especially between God and humans.

What's in a name? The great theologian Calvin sums it up best: "Whenever it appears to us that everything is in a ruinous condition, let us recall to our remembrance that Christ is called wonderful. When we need counsel, let us remember that he is the counselor. When we need strength, let us remember that he is mighty and strong. When we are inwardly tossed by various tempests, and when Satan attempts to disturb our consciences, let us remember that Christ is the prince of peace, and that it is easy for him quickly to allay all our uneasy feelings."

These titles confirm us more and more in the faith of Christ and fortify us against Satan and against hell itself."

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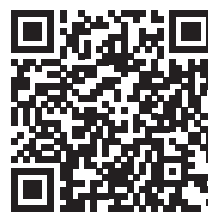
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Pandemic caused a good problem for this young business: Unexpected growth

By TIFFANY COKER



As an entrepreneur, everything often falls on you. The hours you work, the rates you charge, when you accept new clients and, ultimately, the sacrifices you make for your business, career path and calling. Since launching my business, Harris Consulting LLC, in 2018, I've realized that entrepreneurship is an industry where there is no work-life balance — and that's during normal times! Like many, I couldn't have predicted how the business landscape would shift nor how I would weather that shift during the pandemic.

I am an experienced mobile notary licensed in the state of Indiana. My work includes running background checks, taking fingerprints, offering legal courier services — anything that needs a legal signature. With a background in human resources, my skill set includes the management of many things related to employment; think hiring, employee compensation, labor law, retirement and nearly everything in between. However, during my tenure in HR, I quickly realized I wasn't passionate about the work. I started to dream of a career path that would enable others. One that would help individuals secure a job at an organization and achieve ongoing credentials and certifications they need to progress. According to a recent Business Equity for Indy's Learning and Talent taskforce report, college enrollment for Black students in Indiana plummeted by 12 percentage points over the last decade — from 62% in 2007-2008 to 50% in 2018-2019. This means that 50% of Black students are going from high school into the workforce — many without the proper job exposure, job training, education or certifications to find gainful employment that leads to a successful career path.

With a clear problem in front of me and the conviction to believe I could make a difference, Harris Consulting was ready to open our doors. However, I wasn't prepared to put my business in motion as the rest of the world halted abruptly. When the



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pandemic arrived, it brought unique challenges for many small businesses like mine — problems that are shifting the paradigm of how we work and what a work environment looks like, and once again, my experiences are reshaping my business.

Times are changing, and with change comes innovation, specifically as it relates to remote work.

Harris Consulting is in a position to help ease the burdens of large companies, corporations and business entities that are struggling to define their “new normal” in the workplace. We're able to bring our expertise to our clients as we define their pain points, explore possible solutions and work to ensure that organizational culture and efficiencies aren't sacrificed in solutions. For some clients, solutions look like hybrid work models. Others they don't — but we ensure our recommendations help strengthen companies and set them up for greater resilience in the foreseeable future.

As I navigated the pandemic, my workload increased dramatically. I had to slow down my advertising, which I never thought I would say! I needed help. I need workers. And as an entrepreneur, I wanted to hire the right people for Harris Consulting. But since the pandemic arrived, demand is surpassing supply. I had so many questions, and thankfully, I had heard about the support offered by Indy Chamber and their Business Ownership Initiative (BOI) program. BOI allowed my small business access to free, one-on-one small business coaching, the professional access to training documents needed and, most importantly, compassion and empathy.

When I began working with BOI, I wasn't sure if my business would be able to survive these trying times. Fortunately, today I can say Harris Consulting is a place where I got on my feet again. A lot of that was made possible by the time, care and effort my BOI coach gave to me. My business coach, Ms. Emily, came into my life and helped me find my light. She helped keep me afloat during COVID, and now she's helping my business expand. I cannot recommend this service enough to a small business at any stage of life.

As entrepreneurs, we're so used to giving our all and making things happen no matter what. But we all need help. And BOI is there to provide that support to us individually so that we can launch, grow and scale to help our neighbors and community.

Tiffany Coker is owner of Harris Consulting Indy.

EXPLAINER: Must employers follow Biden's vaccine mandates?

By DAVID A. LIEB
and GEOFF MULVIHILL
Associated Press

Tens of millions of workers across the U.S. are in limbo as federal courts have issued different rulings related to President Joe Biden's COVID-19 vaccine mandates for larger private companies, certain health care workers and federal government contractors.

A federal appeals court panel has allowed a vaccine requirement for employers with 100 or more workers, although Republican attorneys general, business associations and conservative groups have appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. A vaccine mandate for companies that have contracts with the federal government is on hold nationwide, while a separate mandate for health care employees who work for providers that receive federal Medicare or Medicaid funding has been blocked in half the states.

The courts are responding to lawsuits brought by Republican-led states, conservative groups and some businesses.

LARGE BUSINESS MANDATE

What it would do: Under a rule published by the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration on Nov. 5, businesses with 100 or more workers are to require employees to be vaccinated. If they are not, they would need to be tested weekly and wear masks while working, with exceptions for those who work alone or mostly outdoors. The rule was to go into effect Jan. 4.

Who's challenging it: The requirement is being challenged by 27 Republican-led state governments, some conservative and business groups, and some individual businesses. The states mostly filed lawsuits in groups, though Indiana challenged it alone. Their arguments include that it's the job of states, not the federal government, to deal with public health measures. The Biden administration maintains that the measure is legal.

Where it stands: The OSHA rule is allowed to take effect, at least for now. On Dec. 17, a three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals allowed the mandate, reversing a decision by a panel of judges in the New Orleans-based 5th circuit.

What's next: Republican attorneys general, business associations and several conservative groups immediately appealed the 6th circuit ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court.



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HEALTH WORKER MANDATE

What it would do: Under a rule published by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid on Nov. 5, a wide range of health care providers that receive federal Medicare or Medicaid funding were to require workers to receive the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by Dec. 6 and be fully vaccinated by Jan. 4.

Who's challenging it: The rule was challenged in four separate lawsuits filed by Republican-led states, mostly in groups.

Where it stands: The rule is on hold nationally, but a ruling Dec. 15 gives it the possibility of moving ahead in about half the states. A Missouri-based federal judge issued a preliminary injunction barring its enforcement in 10 states that had originally sued. The next day, a Louisiana-based federal judge issued a preliminary injunction barring enforcement in the rest of the states. But on Dec. 15, that was narrowed to the 14 suing in that court. And on Dec. 15, a federal judge in Texas granted an injunction that applies only to that state. After the decisions, there is a possibility the mandate could be enforced in 25 states where no injunction is in place.

What's next: The court rul-

ings are being appealed by the Biden administration. On Dec. 16 the admin-

istration asked the Supreme Court to block the lower court orders that are keeping the mandate from going into effect in about half of the states.

FEDERAL CONTRACTOR MANDATE

What would it do: Under an executive order issued by Biden on Sept. 9, contractors and subcontractors for the federal government are required to comply with workplace safety guidelines developed by a federal task force. That task force subsequently issued guidelines requiring that new, renewed or extended contracts include a clause requiring employees to be fully vaccinated by Jan. 18. That meant those receiving a two-dose vaccine must get their second shot by Jan. 4.

Who's challenging it: The guidelines have been challenged through more than a dozen lawsuits, including seven brought by Republican-led states or coalitions of states.

Where it stands: The rule is on hold. A federal judge in Georgia issued a ruling Dec. 7 prohibiting enforcement of the requirement for contractors nationally.

What's next: Legal challenges pending in several other states could lead to additional rulings on requests for injunctions.

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT COURT

) SS: COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2010-DC-007147

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF

CHRISTA BROOKE THOMAS, Petitioner, and LAWRENCE MAURICE JAVAL THOMAS, Respondent. ORDER SETTING FINAL HEARING

Petitioner, CHRISTA BROOKS, by counsel, LATOYA HIGHSAW, has filed her Praecipe for Final Hearing, being duly advised in the premises, finds that this matter should be set for a final hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that this matter shall be, and hereby is, set for a hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on the 10th day of January, 2022, for two (2) hours, in Room No. 337.

SO ORDERED this November 30, 2021.

JUDGE, Hamilton Circuit Court

Distribution: LaToya Highsaw, MASSIL-LAMANY JETER & CARSON, LLP, 11650 Lantern Road, Ste. 204, Fishers, IN 46038

Lawrence Thomas, 9204 Knights Bridge Blvd., Unit C, Indianapolis, IN 46240 5320-934409

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MDK # 21-024091 STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT #4

) SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D04-2112-MF-041502

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for registered Holders of Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-2 Plaintiff,

vs. Chelsea Anne Church, as possible heir to the Estate of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church.

BE IT KNOWN, that Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for registered Holders of Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-2, the above-named Plaintiff, by its attorney, J. Dustin Smith, has filed in the office of the Clerk of the Marion Superior Court #4 its Complaint against Defendant The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church, FKA Chandra L. Cary-Church, et al. the said Plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence and whereabouts of the Defendant, The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Chandra Church AKA Chandra L. Cary-Church, FKA Chandra L. Cary-Church, upon diligent inquiry is unknown, and that said cause of action is for default on the promissory note and to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate in Marion County, State of Indiana, to wit:

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commonly known as 119 South Bonar Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46229.

NOW, THEREFORE, said Defendant is hereby notified of the filing and pending of said Complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or otherwise defend thereto within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published, judgment by default may be entered against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated Clerk, Marion Superior Court #4

J. Dustin Smith (29493-06) Stephanie A. Reinhardt (25071-06)

Nicholas M. Smith (31800-15)

Chris Wiley (26936-10) Attorneys for Plaintiff MANLEY DEAS KOCAL-SKI LLC

P.O. Box 165028 Columbus OH 43216-5028 Telephone: 614-220-5611 Facsimile: 614-220-5613 Email: sef-jdsmith@mmanleydeas.com

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COUNTY OF MARION) SS: SUPERIOR COURT) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2110-ES-027274

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF

WILMA JANELL ALLEN, DECEASED NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of September, 2021, NICKIE HORD was appointed personal representative of the Estate of WILMA JANELL ALLEN, deceased, who died on the 10th day of July, 2013.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 16th of November, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County 5320-934390

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COUNTY OF MARION) SS: SUPERIOR COURT) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2111-EU-038415

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF RALPH WILLIAM ROLAND, DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of November, 2021, FRANK ROLAND was appointed personal representative of the Estate of RALPH WILLIAM ROLAND, deceased, who died on the 8th day of January, 2020.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this November 30, 2021.

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) SS: PROBATE DIVISION) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2112-EU-040511

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

GERALD JEROME AMBE BROOKS, Deceased NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that CLEVELAND GILMORE was, on December 8, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of GERALD JEROME AMBE BROOKS, deceased, who died November 2, 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 17th day of September, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County 5320-934390

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COUNTY OF MARION) SS: SUPERIOR COURT) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2110-EU-028154

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE

OF MYRTIS ODELL HOWARD, DECEASED NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that, on the 23rd day of August, 2021, GREGORY HOWARD was appointed personal representative of the Estate of MYRTIS O. HOWARD, deceased, who died on the 26th day of July, 2021.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 23rd day of August, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County 5320-934656

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COUNTY OF MARION) SS: SUPERIOR COURT) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2111-ES-036778

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF

MICHAEL VINCENT MITCHELL, DECEASED NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that, on the 2nd day of November, 2021, NICOLE GLOVER was appointed personal representative of the Estate of MICHAEL VINCENT MITCHELL, deceased, who died on the 25th day of September, 2021.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 2nd day of November, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County 5320-934391

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COUNTY OF MARION) SS: SUPERIOR COURT) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2111-EU-038252

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE

OF ELIZABETH JOHNSON, DECEASED NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of November, 2021, BERNICE JOHNSON POWELL was appointed personal representative of the Estate of ELIZABETH JOHNSON, deceased, who died on the 29th day of January, 2021.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 16th of November, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County 5320-934407

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COUNTY OF MARION) SS: SUPERIOR COURT) CAUSE NO. 49D08-2111-EU-038415

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF RALPH WILLIAM ROLAND, DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of November, 2021, FRANK ROLAND was appointed personal representative of the Estate of RALPH WILLIAM ROLAND, deceased, who died on the 8th day of January, 2020.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this November 30, 2021.

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/s/ Myla A. Eldridge Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County 5320-934406

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) SS: PROBATE DIVISION) CAUSE NO.: 49D08-2112-EU-040511

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

GERALD JEROME AMBE BROOKS, Deceased NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

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Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, on December 8, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge CLERK, MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT Jennifer Norton Attorney No. 28709-49 Norton Estate Planning & Elder Law Firm, LLC 3750 N. Meridian Street, Ste 300 Indianapolis, IN 46208 (317) 572-8696 5320-934270

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) SS: CIVIL DIVISION) CAUSE NO. 49D09-2110-DC-008563

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

SARAH GUADARRAMA HERNANDEZ, Petitioner, And EDVIN O. CACERES, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT - SUMMONS

SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: Dissolution of Marriage.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Respondent: EDVIN O. CACERES.

And to the following Respondent whose whereabouts are: Unknown

In addition to the above Respondent being served by this summons there may be others who have an interest in this lawsuit. If you do not take any action in this case after receipt of this summons, the court can make a determination regarding any of the following: divorce and child custody on or before the 6th day of February, 2022 (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit).

DATE: November 23, 2021 ATTEST:

/s/ Tricia Mills Tricia Mills, 36150-41 Attorney for the Petitioner Indiana Legal Services, Inc.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Board meeting of the Trustees of the Health & Hospital Corporation of Marion County, Indiana will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 2021. The meeting is noticed and will be held via electronic means due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus Public Health Emergency in accordance with Indiana Governor Holcomb's Executive Orders and IC 5-14-1-5-3-7. Attendees may join by phone using the following information:

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Paul Babcock President and Chief Executive Officer of the Health & Hospital Corporation of Marion County, Indiana 5320-934651

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ADVERTISEMNT FOR BIDS

The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following project until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on the 20th day of January, 2022, in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

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Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter.

The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. CST on the 3rd day of February, 2022, to: Capital Asset Management 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100 West Lafayette, IN 47906 Phone (765) 494-0580 Bids shall be for complete construction only, properly executed and submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the bid opening date.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's Combination Bid Bond and Bond for Construction in the form included in the specifications made payable to The Trustees of Purdue University

in an amount equal to the maximum total of the base bid and any alternate bids, guaranteeing the execution and faithful performance of the contract for the work if awarded.

The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications for the projects are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for the project.

The architectural/engineering firms for this project: Project Nos. 1 Arsee Engineers, Inc. 9715 Kincaid Drive, Suite 100 Fishers, IN 46037 Phone (317) 594-5152 Fax (317) 594-9590 To view or obtain bid documents online: Repro Graphix Inc. 437 N. Illinois St Indianapolis, IN 46204 Web: PurduePlanRoom.com

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A \$300 deposit will be required for each hardcopy set of bidding documents. One compact disk or download is available at no charge. Postage and handling fee may apply.

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THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY By James K. Keefe Senior Director of Capital Asset Management Date: 12/10/2021 5320-934000

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THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY By James K. Keefe Senior Director of Capital Asset Management Date: 12/10/2021 5320-934000

12/24/21, 01/07/22

ADVERTISEMNT FOR BIDS

The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following projects until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on the 27th day of January, 2022, in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

1. West Lafayette Campus - Biochemistry Building Main Electrical Distribution Replacement - 2022

2. West Lafayette Campus - Chaffee Hall Second Floor Main Office Renovation - 2022

3. West Lafayette Campus - Lynn Hall Rooms B194, B196, and B196A Lab Renovations - 2022

4. West Lafayette Campus - Mackey Arena Seating Renovation - 2022

5. West Lafayette Campus - Multiple Buildings Hot Water Tank Replacement Phase II - 2022

Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter.

The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. (EST) on the 3rd day of February, 2022, to: Capital Asset Management 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100 West Lafayette, IN 47906 Phone (765) 494-0580 Bids shall be for complete construction only, properly executed and submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the bid opening date

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defendant(s) whose addresses are:

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: SAMUEL O. SONUGA.

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 your attorney, on or before the 30th day of January, 2022, (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgement will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

/s/ Adenike O. Sonuga Plaintiff
Address: 5960 Magdalen Dr.
City and State: Indianapolis, IN 46224
Phone Number: (317) 665-2622
ATTEST:
Clerk of the Marion Court
5320-933494

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MARION COUNTY
) **SS:**
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D09-2111-DN-010023

IN THE MARRIAGE OF: GRETTEL L. ULLOA and ISMAEL JIMENEZ AGUILAR NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the RESPONDENT above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant whose whereabouts is or may be unknown: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND DEVICES OF PATRICIA J. WESTERFIELD; INDIANAPOLIS MORRIS PLAN CORPORATION and or the successor in interest to the INDIANAPOLIS MORRIS PLAN CORPORATION; JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; SABRINA A. KAUVAKA; JOHN WESTERFIELD; JEANNIE MARIE KIRTNER; WILLIAM J. WESTERFIELD JR.; ESTATE OF PATRICIA J. WESTERFIELD; UNKNOWN OCCUPANT

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 or response.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded by the plaintiff.

/s/ Andrew L. Kraemer
Andrew L. Kraemer
Attorney No. 14872-71
Andrew L. Kraemer
Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC
500 West Lincoln Highway,
Suite J
Merrillville, IN 46410
Ph. (312) 541-9710
Fax (312) 541-9711
NOTICE

JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
5320-934084

12/17/21,
12/24/21,
12/31/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COURT OF MARION COUNTY
) **SS:**
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D10-2112-DN-010301

Courtney G. Starms Plaintiff
V.
Ricco L. Starms 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 proceedings/Divorce filed.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: unknown.

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Ricco L. Starms.

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 your attorney, on or before the 30th day of January, 2022 (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgement will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Marion Court
Courtney G. Starms
4425 Devon Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46226
(317) 658-1970
5320-933578

12/17/21,
12/24/21,
12/31/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COURT OF MARION COUNTY
) **SS:**
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D15-2110-DN-008964

Marnita Taylor Plaintiff(s)
V.
Shanika Taylor Defendant(s)
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.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: N/A I don't know. Haven't seen or talked to this person in over 2 1/2 years. No contact at all.

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Shanika Taylor.

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 you or your attorney, on or before the 30th day of January, 2022, (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.

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendant 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:

Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate against the property described in Exhibit B of the Complaint as set out below:

Legal Description
LOT 47 IN HOLLY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION IN MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED MARCH 18, 1978, AS INSTRUMENT #78-12685 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendants: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND DEVICES OF PATRICIA J. WESTERFIELD; INDIANAPOLIS MORRIS PLAN CORPORATION and or the successor in interest to the INDIANAPOLIS MORRIS PLAN CORPORATION; JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; SABRINA A. KAUVAKA; JOHN WESTERFIELD; JEANNIE MARIE KIRTNER; WILLIAM J. WESTERFIELD JR.; ESTATE OF PATRICIA J. WESTERFIELD; UNKNOWN OCCUPANT

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant whose whereabouts is or may be unknown: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND DEVICES OF PATRICIA J. WESTERFIELD; INDIANAPOLIS MORRIS PLAN CORPORATION; JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; SABRINA A. KAUVAKA; JOHN WESTERFIELD; JEANNIE MARIE KIRTNER; WILLIAM J. WESTERFIELD JR.; ESTATE OF PATRICIA J. WESTERFIELD; UNKNOWN OCCUPANT

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 or response.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded by the plaintiff.

/s/ Andrew L. Kraemer
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Attorney No. 14872-71
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/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
5320-934084

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12/24/21,
12/31/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 9
SS:
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D09-2106-AD-018693

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF JORDAN AZELL SPARKS MINOR
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Adoption of a child named Jordan Azell Sparks was filed in the Office of the Marion County Clerk.

A final hearing in the adoption matter is scheduled for the 28th day of February, 2022, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

The Petition for Adoption alleges that the consent to the adoption of the natural father is not necessary due to not seeing, supporting or communicating with child in eight (8) years.

If you are an interested Person and wish to object to or consent to the adoption, then said objection or consent should be filed fourteen (14) days prior to the above-referenced hearing date.

No oral statement made to any person relieves that person from the obligations under this Notice.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Marilyn County Clerk
Sherree D. Mullins
Mullins Law, LLC
1903 Crown Plaza Blvd
Plainfield, IN 46168
(317) 839-9400
5320-933593

12/17/21,
12/24/21,
12/31/21

SUMMONS -- SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE COURT OF MARION COUNTY
) **SS:**
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D15-2110-DN-008964

Marnita Taylor Plaintiff(s)
V.
Shanika Taylor Defendant(s)
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.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose addresses are: N/A I don't know. Haven't seen or talked to this person in over 2 1/2 years. No contact at all.

And to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Shanika Taylor.

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 you or your attorney, on or before the 30th day of January, 2022, (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.

12/17/21,
12/24/21,
12/31/21

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Marion Court
Marnita Taylor
2707 N. Kessler Blvd.
Indianapolis, IN 46222
(463) 230-2201
5320-934011

ADVERTISEMENT TO PRE-QUALIFY TO BID

Project: Schleman Hall, Stewart Center, & Related Renovations - 2022 located on Purdue University's main campus, in West Lafayette, Indiana.

F.A. Wilhelm Construction Company will receive pre-qualification statements for the following trade scopes included in Bid Event #1 until 12:00 P.M., December 29th, 2021 for the Schleman Hall, Stewart Center & Related Renovations - 2022 project.

•BE#1 - Monumental Stair and Railings (Furnish Only), Millwork (Furnish Only), Exterior Windows, Doors, Frames & Hardware, Sectional Door and Air Handling Units (Furnish Only).

All interested bidders must contact Matt McCullough at mattmccullough@fawilhelm.com to gain access to the Pre-qualification form.

Pre-qualified bidders will receive an invitation to bid on the above referenced project. Please direct all questions to MattMcCulloughat(317)359-5411 or mattmccullough@fawilhelm.com.

F.A. Wilhelm is an Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/D/V

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to their protected veteran status and will not be discriminated against on the basis of disability.

F.A. WILHELM CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
Matt McCullough - Preconstruction Manager
Tom Kerker - Project Executive
5320-934012

12/17/21,
12/24/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
) **SS:**
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49C01-2111-MI-037336

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF BOBBIELYN EDWARDS: ADULT
Petitioner
ORDER SETTING HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner, Bobbie Lynn Edwards, by counsel, Rodney C. Richardson, and having filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Adult from Bobbie Lynn Edwards.

The Petition is scheduled for a hearing in this Court on February 22, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third (3rd) Notice of Publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to the Marion County Circuit Court, Room W-506, City County Building, 200 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204, on the 22nd day of February, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. fifteen (15) minutes before the time or the hearing will be held remotely on WebEx at 9:00 a.m.

Dated: November 17, 2021
Judge, Marion County Circuit Court
Distribution:
Rodney C. Richardson
#5967-49
RICHARDSON & RICHARDSON
1800 N. Meridian Street,
Suite 101
Indianapolis, IN 46202
Phone: (317) 236-6559
Email: rcrichlaw@gmail.com

Bobbie Lynn Edwards
1846 North Holmes
Indianapolis, IN 46222
5320-933119

12/10/21,
12/17/21,
12/24/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 9

SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CASE #: 49D09-2106-DN-004527

DEANGELO CORDEZ MORGAN
Petitioner/Husband
And
KAMIL RENEE Y'VONNE FONDREN
Respondent/Wife
SUMMONS
TO RESPONDENT:
KAMIL RENEE Y'VONNE FONDREN
2447 KETCHUM ROAD
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE
38114

You are hereby notified that you have been sued by the Petitioner in the Court indicated above.

If this summons is accompanied by a Notice to Appear, you should appear in Court on the date and time stated in the Order to Appear. If you do not appear, evidence may be heard in your absence and a determination made by the Court. If a Temporary Restraining Order is attached, it is effective immediately upon your receipt or knowledge of the Order.

If you wish to retain an attorney to represent you in this matter, it is advisable to do so before the date stated in the Notice to Appear.

If you take no action in this case after the receipt of this summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of Marriage or make a determination regarding any division of the following: property division (real or personal) and any other distribution of assets and debts.

Dated:
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion County Court
Name: MARION SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL DIVISION
Court address: 200 E. WASHINGTON ST.
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204
5320-933308

12/10/21,
12/17/21,
12/24/21

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF MARION COUNTY
SS:
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D10-2111-DN-010070

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF

KIKELOMO MARTINS, Petitioner, vs. BAYWOOD WILLIAMS III, Respondent, NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is: Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named Respondent(s) whose addresses are:

and to the following Respondent whose whereabouts are unknown: HAYWOOD WILLIAMS III.

In addition to the above named Respondent 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 Petitioner arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, 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 that Petitioner has demanded.

/s/ Stacy L. Kelley
Attorney for Petitioner
ATTEST:
Clerk of the Marion County Court
Stacy L. Kelley
Address 845 S. Meridian Street
City and State Indianapolis, IN 46225
Phone No. (317) 636-5211
Email: skelley@laserbbs.com
5320-933117

12/10/21,
12/17/21,
12/24/21

MDK # 21-025720
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT #11
SS:
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D11-2111-MF-039605

Lima One Capital LLC Plaintiff, vs.

Ray Marie Properties, LLC, et al.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: Heartland Housing, LLC.

BE IT KNOWN, that Lima One Capital LLC, the above-named Plaintiff, by its attorney, Stephanie A. Reinhart, has filed in the office of the Clerk of the Marion Superior Court

#11 its Complaint against Defendant Heartland Housing, LLC, and the said Plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence and whereabouts of the Defendant, Heartland Housing, LLC, upon diligent inquiry is unknown, and that said cause of action is for default on the promissory note and to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate in Marion County, State of Indiana, to wit:

Lots 248 and 249 in John S. Spann & Co's Addition Terrace, addition to the City of Indianapolis, the plat of which is recorded in Plat Book 16, Page 193, in the Office of the recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

and
Lot Number 59 in Campus Terrace, Fifth Section, as addition to the City of Indianapolis, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 26, Page 182, in the Office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

commonly known as 1020 South Holmes Avenue AND 211 South Emerson Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46221.

NOW, THEREFORE, said Defendant is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said Complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or otherwise defend thereto within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published, judgment by default may be entered against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated Clerk, Marion Superior Court #11
Stephanie A. Reinhart (25071-06)
J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
Nicholas M. Smith (31800-15)

Chris Wiley (26936-10)
Attorneys for Plaintiff
MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Facsimile: 614-220-5613
Email: self-sareinhart@manleydeas.com
5320-933304

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12/24/21

MDK # 21-021122
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT #13
SS:
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D13-2110-MF-035951

The Huntington National Bank Plaintiff, vs.

Steven Carman, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: Steven Carman:

BE IT KNOWN, that The Huntington National Bank, the above-named Plaintiff, by its attorney, J. Dustin Smith, has filed in the office of the Clerk of the Marion Superior Court #13 its Complaint against Defendant Steven Carman, and the said Plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence and whereabouts of the Defendant, Steven Carman, upon diligent inquiry is unknown, and that said cause of action is for default on the promissory note and to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate in Marion County, State of Indiana, to wit:

Lot 11 in Holloway's West Side Addition to the City of Indianapolis, the plat of which is recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 72, in the Office of the recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

commonly known as 266 North Richland Street, Indianapolis, IN 46222.

NOW, THEREFORE, said Defendant is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said

Complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or otherwise defend thereto within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published, judgment by default may be entered against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated Clerk, Marion Superior Court #13
J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
Stephanie A. Reinhart (25071-06)
Nicholas M. Smith (31800-15)

Chris Wiley (26936-10)
Attorneys for Plaintiff
MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Facsimile: 614-220-5613
Email: self-jdsmitth@manleydeas.com
5320-933077

12/10/21,
12/17/21,
12/24/21

NOTICE OF ADOPTION STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT 16
SS:
COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D16-2108-AD-027996

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF DANIEL ALEXANDER-THOMAS RICHARDSON MINOR

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Adoption of a child named Daniel Alexander-Thomas Richardson was filed in the office of the Marion County Clerk.

A final hearing in the adoption matter is scheduled for the 7th day of February, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

The Petition for Adoption alleges that the natural mother has signed consent, that the natural father whereabouts are unknown. If you are an interested person and wish to object to or consent to the adoption, then said objection or consent should be filed fourteen (14) days prior to the above-referenced hearing date.

No oral statement made to any person relieves that person from the obligations under this Notice.

Myia A. Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County Courts
Sherree D. Mullins
Mullins Law, LLC
1903 Crown Plaza Blvd.
Plainfield, IN 46168
(317) 839-9400
5320-933368

12/10/21,
12/17/21,
12/24/21

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following projects until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on the 13th day of January, 2022, in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

1. West Lafayette Campus - Krannert Building Rooms 480 and 491 Renovation - 2022

2. West Lafayette Campus - Materials and Electrical Engineering Room 289 Renovation - 2022

3. West Lafayette Campus - Multiple Buildings Address Pro Lighting Controls Replacement - 2022

4. West Lafayette Campus - Stone Hall Room G50 Lab Renovation - 2022

5. West Lafayette Campus - Utility Tunnel Security Phase I - 2022

6. West Lafayette Campus - Waste Utility Plant Security Installation Phase II - 2022

Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter.

The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. (EST) on the 20th day of January 2022, to:

Capital Asset Management
2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100
West Lafayette, IN 47906
Phone (765) 494-0580
Bids shall be for complete construction only, properly executed and submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the bid opening date.

Each bid must be accompanied by the Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's Combination Bid Bond and Bond for Construction in the form included in the specifications in an amount equal to the maximum total of the base bid and any alternate bids, guaranteeing the execution and faithful performance of the contract for the work if awarded.

The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications for the projects are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for the project.

A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 1 will be held on January 4, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. EST. The meeting will be held in Room 480 of Krannert Hall (KRAN), located at 402W State St., West Lafayette, IN.

A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 2 will be held on January 4, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. EST. The meeting will be held in Room 289 of Materials and Electrical Engineering (MSEE), located at 501 Northwestern Ave., West Lafayette, IN.

Colts: Contenders or pretenders?

By DANNY BRIDGES

It's that time of year again, and no, I'm not referring to Christmas, but rather whether or not your Indianapolis Colts truly have what it takes to get in the NFL postseason and make some legitimate noise.

While many of you out there are still enjoying the adrenaline that injected itself into your system when the Colts hung on to beat New England, you have to be asking yourself: Is all this real, and are they going to be legit as they close out the regular season with one tough game against Arizona and two lightweights in the form of Las Vegas and Jacksonville?

After all, this is the same group that has broken your heart on numerous occasions and embarrassed themselves in the process, so what is so automatic about them flexing their collective muscles and winning out to finish 11-6?

Could they still win their division? Mathematically, yes, but more than likely they won't, so the prize they're actually eyeing is a Wild Card ticket to the playoff party, and while that isn't quite like sitting in first class, considering their up-and-down (kind words for it) season, those of you who fork out big bucks for season ducats and over-priced draft beer at Lucas Oil Stadium would probably be pretty darn happy with that outcome.

Then again, these Colts are still quite capable of allowing the bottom to fall out, thereby shattering your dreams as they again fail to maximize their potential and maintain the level of intensity that the NFL regular season requires



Recorder file photo

from playoff teams.

Will they make your holidays joyous when they travel to Phoenix to face the Arizona Cardinals in a nationally televised Christmas Day contest, or will they lay a stupendous egg as you devour your holiday feast? I say they will prevail in desert country, but then again, I'm the guy who said before the season began that they wouldn't even make the postseason, so why would anyone even listen to me?

This highly inconsistent bunch has stolen your heart despite what your common sense tells you, and let's face it, the playoffs are better than watching all those annoying holiday specials on network television, so you're hoping they come down the stretch strong, beginning with a victory against the favored Cardinals.

In reality, that's not too much to ask for, because at times the Colts have played well and fully demonstrated the type of effort it will take to finish strong and make the playoffs.

Then, there's the side of the coin in which they've looked woeful, and that's the team that could also show up.

The next three weeks will no doubt be interesting, but just don't get too high on them. That's not because I told you not to, but rather the distinct possibility they can implode at any juncture, as

we've already witnessed this season.

You're a championship fan base that wants a world beater in the playoffs, and that's unlikely to happen, but enjoy the ride wherever it make take you, as they're your Colts. Regardless of the outcome, you're willing to live and die with them, which is commendable, but with this team, not exactly realistic.

Danny Bridges, who wishes all Colts fans a merry Christmas and the good luck you're going to need in the playoffs, can be reached at 317-370-8447 or at bridgeshd@aol.com.

Purdue trounces Butler in Crossroads Classic



Butler guard Aaron Thompson (2) puts up a floater. (Photos/Jeff Brown)



Butler Blue makes an appearance as Santa Claus during the game. It was the last Crossroads Classic for the foreseeable future. The event started in 2011.



Purdue forward Trevion Williams (50) puts his shot up over Butler forward Bryce Golden (33). Purdue won 77-48.

Indiana gets win over Notre Dame



Hoosiers forward Trayce Jackson-Davis (23) slams down a dunk.



Indiana head coach Mike Woodson talks to his team during a timeout. The Hoosiers beat Notre Dame 64-56. (Photos/Jeff Brown)



Hoosiers guard Rob Phinisee (1) knocks down a jump shot over Notre Dame guard Cormac Ryan (5).

