

Generations of Hoosiers remember Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Ninety-three years after his birth and nearly 54 years since his assassination, the messages and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. still hold a special place in the lives of many. From activists to life coaches, King's message of nonviolent resistance can be seen in the work of Indianapolis residents today.

The Recorder spoke with local Hoosiers about what King's legacy means to them and how they incorporate his message in their lives.



Nichelle Hayes:
'The work will go on'

Nichelle Hayes with the Center for Black Literature and Culture at the Indianapolis Public Library, spends her days sharing the stories — some famous, some untold — of Black excellence. King's legacy, she said, is that people are still working together to combat injustice.

"Although [King's] sacrifice was significant, there were many people who marched with him in Washington," Hayes said. "If we look at the effort he and many others put behind civil rights, we can understand why the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2021 is still important. We're finding ourselves in a fight that we're having to refight every several years."

"When we have leaders in each community, the work will go on and it won't be fractured by the loss of one leader," Hayes said. "The biggest thing we can get from Dr. King's life and death is that we should be the change we want to see in the world. Our individual contributions may be small, but those small things bring it all together into something great."



Taylor Hall:
'Stand for love'

Taylor Hall's grandfather, Dr. Kent Millard of Henepin Avenue United Methodist Church, marched with the civil rights leader in the 1950s. Moved by the interaction, Millard named his daughter — Hall's mother — Coretta, after King's wife.

Now 21, the Ball State University graduate got her start in activism in 2020. Combining her love of music with social justice advocacy, Hall performed her song, "I Can't Breathe," at a rally outside of the Statehouse in June 2020. King was the inspiration for the line: "Don't stand for hate, stand for love." She said King's message heavily impacts her advocacy work.

"Dr. King's quote about 'Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can drive out darkness, I use that motto a lot to go through my everyday life," Hall said of King's 1957 sermon "Loving Your Enemies."

Today, Hall splits her time between Indianapolis and Los Angeles, working on her music and speaking to churches and companies about social justice and diversity. King's nonviolent approach and messages of love and compassion, she said, are at the forefront of her presentations.



Meisha Wide:
'A source of light'

Meisha Wide strives to follow in King's legacy every day through her work as founder of Widelens Enterprise, a consulting firm, and as executive director of B4U Fall, where Wide helps connect people with resources.

"For me, King's message leans more towards being a source of light, hope and inspiration for the community," Wide said.

B4U Fall helps young men find resources in workforce development, education and coaching to gain a better future. As executive director, Wide said she's fulfilling the messages King shared.

"I make sure that I'm able to serve the needs of the community and make sure people have the things they need to help enhance their lives, especially those that are disenfranchised," she said.

With violent crime surging in Indianapolis, Wide said King's calls for nonviolence and resistance are more important than ever.

"A nonviolent approach and communication will help get to the root cause of violence and help scale back the issues that are leading to violence, like poverty and a lack of access to resources," Wide said. "There are systematic changes that need to take place to keep violence from continuing, and open communication and non-violence will help create those changes."

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Rep. Robin Shackleford, chair of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus, announced IBLC's legislative agenda for 2022 during a press conference Jan. 11. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

Indiana Black Legislative Caucus announces legislative agenda

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Legislation proposed by members of the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus (IBLC) includes restrictions on cash bail for nonviolent offenders, discriminatory lending practices and efforts to get more African Americans working in the medical field. Members announced their agenda during a press conference Jan. 11.

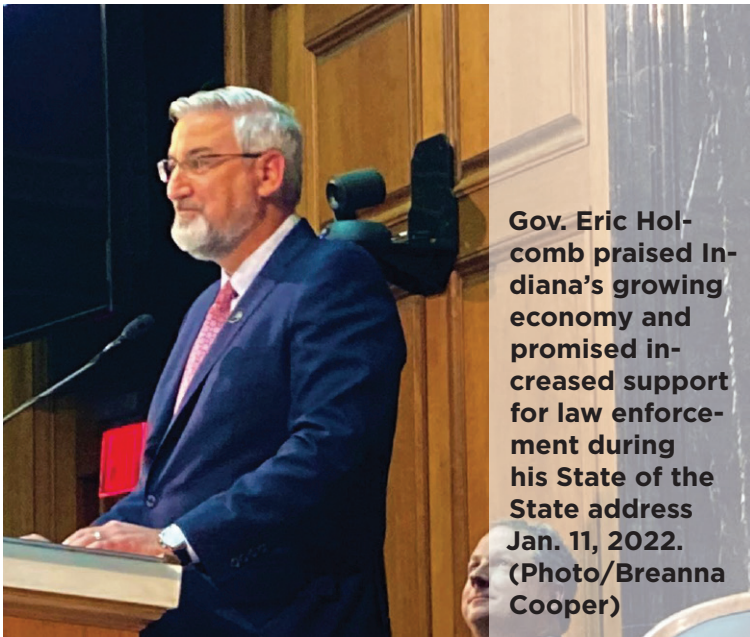
Rep. Robin Shackleford, D-Indianapolis, said the bills aim to "dismantle" many of the systems which have historically marginalized African Ameri-

cans and other people of color.

Rep. Ragen Hatcher proposed a bill, which has not yet been assigned a number, that would prohibit a court from requiring someone to pay bail as a condition for pre-trial release if the arrestee was not charged with a violent crime. This legislation comes as several Republican lawmakers want to prohibit bail assistance from third parties in the wake of controversy surrounding The Bail Project.

House Bill 1155, proposed by Rep. Cherrish Pryor, D-District 94, would allow law

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Gov. Eric Holcomb praised Indiana's growing economy and promised increased support for law enforcement during his State of the State address Jan. 11, 2022. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

Holcomb discusses economy, pandemic in State of the State address

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In his State of the State address Jan. 11, Gov. Eric Holcomb touted Indiana's economy and workforce development, and discussed the impact of COVID-19 on the state's health care system.

"When it comes to our strong economy, we've earned it," Holcomb said. "Sound fiscal management over time has become our state's reputation."

Among the highlights Holcomb reported: nine straight balanced budgets since 2005, and a debt reduction of 24% between 2017 to 2021. The 2021 fiscal year closed with \$3.1 billion in reserves, an extra \$1.1 billion of which will go toward teachers' pension fund.

Quoting Winston Churchill, Holcomb said he's optimistic about the future of Indiana.

However, he's aware of the work that lies ahead. Citing public health concerns including Indiana's high rates of obesity, smoking and substance abuse disorders, Holcomb said the state is working to "tackle" addiction in the community by helping those in need get into recovery programs and back to their families, work and school. Further, he touted Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch's work to promote strategies to support mental health throughout the state, including expanding access to mental health care services and the roll out of the new federal 988 suicide prevention hotline.

In his speech, Holcomb also touted Indiana's recent investment — \$350 million — in broadband access as the largest in state history. The need for connectivity

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Report: Half of eligible students don't enroll in 21st Century Scholars

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About 40% of high school graduates are financially eligible to enroll in a state program that offers up to four years of paid college tuition, but only half of eligible students enroll, according to a report from the Indiana Commission for Higher Education (CHE). The 29-page report is a mostly glowing review of the 21st Century Scholars program. About 88% of scholars go to college, better than the rates for higher-income students (64%), the statewide average (59%) and lower-income students who aren't scholars (36%). The on-time college-completion rate for scholars still lags behind the statewide average and higher-income students, but it nearly doubled from 20% to 37% between 2010 and 2016. Find the full report at in.gov/che.

21st Century Scholars enrollment trends

The percentage of eligible students who enroll in the state's 21st Century Scholars program and maintain eligibility has declined since 2014.

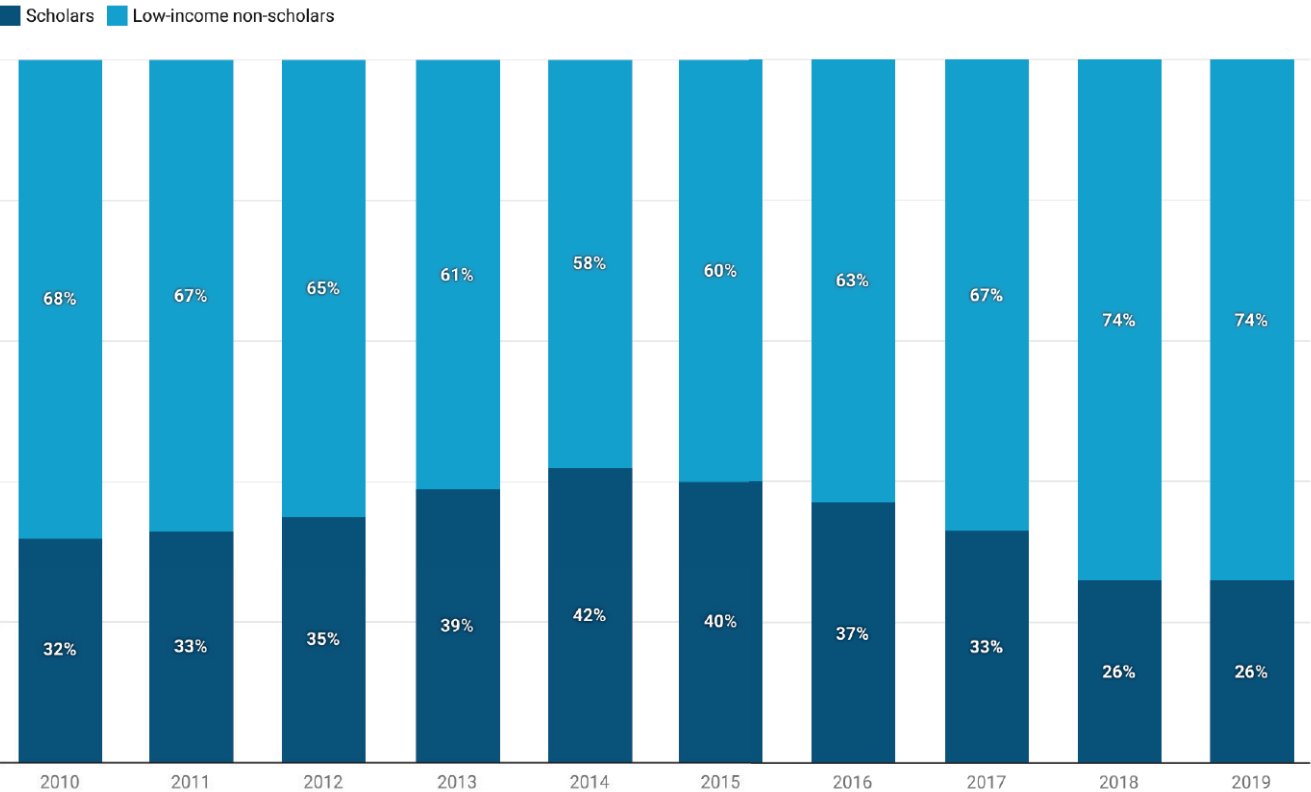


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Why aren't more students enrolled?

One seemingly intuitive way to boost enrollment would be to make it automatic, but CHE Commissioner Teresa Lubbers said there are a couple of challenges to that. First, it would go against the spirit of the program. When the Indiana Legislature created the program in 1990, the idea was to make something more than just a scholarship program. Eligible students opt in during their seventh or eighth grade year and commit to upholding certain standards, including maintaining a 2.5 GPA and completing college-readiness tasks throughout high school. Automatic enrollment would

also be logistically difficult because families have to provide household size and annual income and then give consent for schools to check those numbers with revenue records. For now, the commission and education officials from the state to local levels rely on marketing efforts to spread awareness of the program. Other than lack of awareness, there aren't clear reasons why so few eligible students enroll. Lubbers cited an overall decline in the college-going rate, which dipped below 60% in 2019 for the first time since at least 2009, and said it could also have to do with general skepticism toward higher education.

Other findings from the report

- Students in the 21st Century Scholars program are the only group on track to close Indiana's college-going achievement gap by 2025 across all races and ethnicities.
- Sixty percent of scholars complete all requirements for the program.
- Black students, despite making up a disproportionate number of the state's low-income students, are less likely to enroll.
- Scholars are more likely than their low-income peers to graduate on time from a four-year school (37% vs. 20%, respectively, in 2016).

ENROLL IN 21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS PROGRAM
The 21st Century Scholars program provides up to four years of paid college tuition at in-state schools. Eligibility is based on income. (Example: The cutoff for a household with four people is \$48,470.) Students have to enroll during their seventh or eighth grade year. Learn more and apply at [learnmoreindiana.org](https://www.learnmoreindiana.org).

Recommendations

The commission's report includes a list of wide-ranging recommendations for everyone from lawmakers to local school officials. Recommendations include making it mandatory for every high school senior to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) — scholars are required to do the application — and for schools, counselors, businesses and

community partners to make sure more eligible students enroll.

Government feels too far removed from people's lives, Lubbers said, so messaging could be more effective if it comes from someone you already know and trust.

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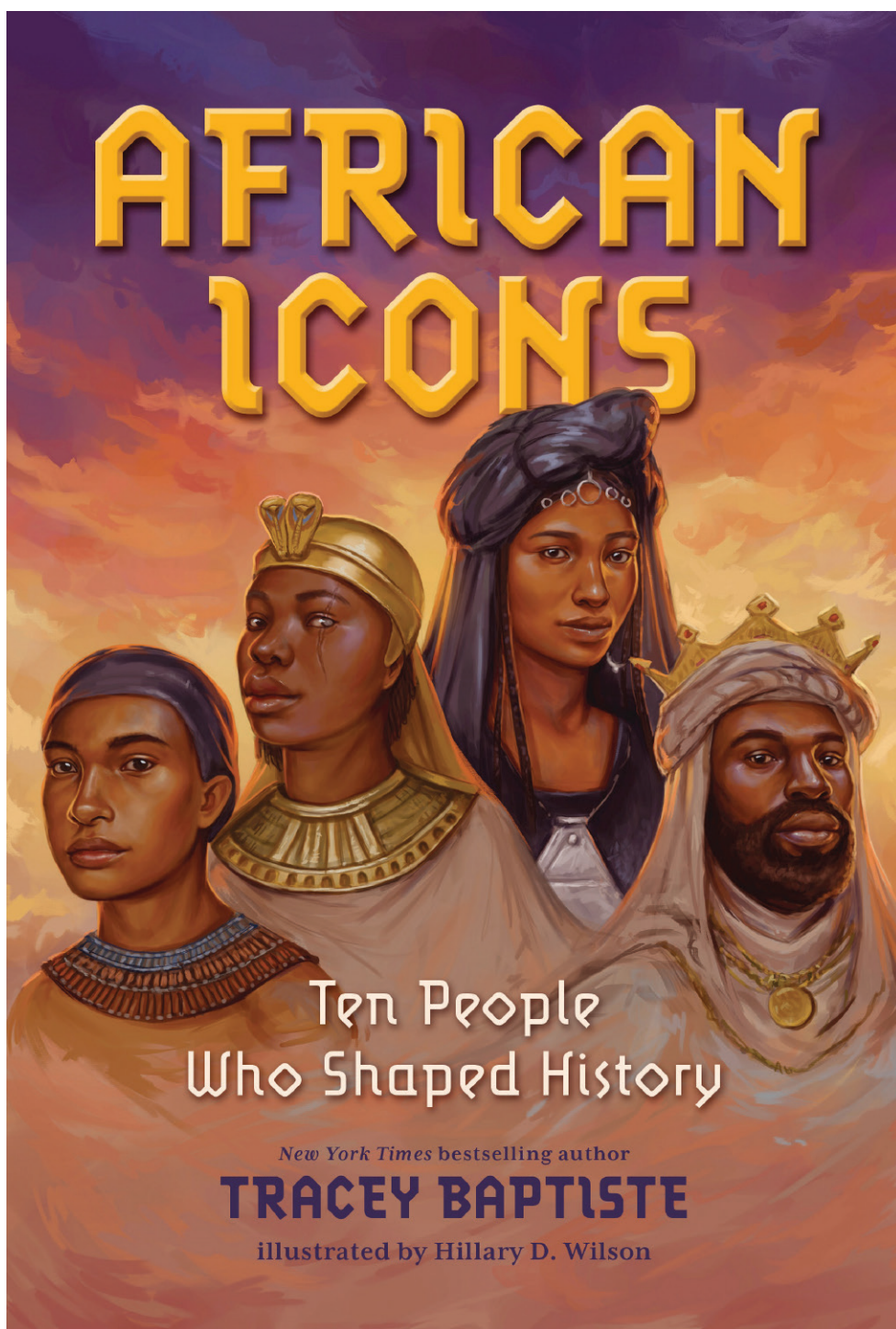
Sometimes, they make you laugh; other times, they make you think. You like funny stories and silly ones, tales that make your eyes pop and tales that make your hands sweat. You like the old fables, too, the ones that teach you something. So come meet warriors, rulers, writers and schemers in “African Icons” by Tracey Baptiste.

When she was just a little girl, Baptiste’s father told her a story. Years later, she learned what he told her was “one of the most popular stories throughout the continent of Africa” and many of the tales she loved had roots there.

“Not only is Africa the second largest continent on Earth,” she says, but its people have always had “rich lives,” a fascinatingly complex culture, and tales to tell.

For instance, one of the first large communities in Africa was established along the banks of the Nile River in Egypt. There were many “minor kings” there then but King Menes hoped to grow his kingdom, and he did it by conquering the areas he wanted. Then he declared the falcon god, Horus, had “bestowed the kingship of Egypt” on Menes — and who could argue with a god?

Queen Merneith, who was Menes’ granddaughter, grew up in luxury and comfort and was “raised to rule.” Alas, her brother, Djeter, ascended to the throne first but Merneith had the last word. She became one of her brother’s wives and when their son, Den, was 10 years old, *he* became king and Merneith stepped in as regent. This gave Den the chance to learn to rule the kingdom, while Merneith held all the power.



“African Icons: Ten People Who Shaped History” by Tracey Baptiste, illustrated by Hillary D. Wilson

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Imhotep was a leader, but he was also a doctor, an advisor and an engineer who built temples and tombs. Aesop was a wise storyteller whose tales you might’ve heard. Hannibal was a soldier who enjoyed many victories over Rome more than 2,200 years ago. Terence of Carthage was an accomplished playwright. And Tin Hinan established a desert society where women and girls made the rules.

All those stories we all grew up hearing, all those wonderfully puzzling tales we read and re-read, they had to come from somewhere. Author Tracey Baptiste says their roots lay in Africa and in “African Icons,” she explains how fables and legends are often real.

But if that sounds dry, hold up. It’s not, if you’re a kid.

Got a child who’s into action figures? This book will speak to that love, with general (not-too-detailed) tales of kingdoms conquered. Kids who crave stories of princesses, palaces and magic carpets will be happy with this book’s sense of glitter and exoticness. Children who really love mummies will be fascinated by accounts of pharaohs and pyramid-builders in tales that are true, lively, kid-friendly and fun to read, even if you’re an adult.

Still, the best audience for this book is much younger. For kids ages 8-14, “African Icons” may hold the stories they love best

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OWNING A HOME:

Guidance from Your Local Home Lending Advisor



Are you considering buying your first home, but unsure where to start? Purchasing a home is one of the biggest financial decisions a person can make, and the path to ownership may feel confusing for many first-time buyers. Thankfully, it doesn't have to be. Chase bank can help you navigate the homebuying process, so getting the keys to your first home may be closer than you think.

Homeownership is more than just a dream for many Americans. In Chase Home Lending's First-Time Homebuyer Study, 69% of respondents said they see homeownership as an important part of building wealth. The survey included more than 1,100 consumers who indicated that they are looking to purchase a home and are actively preparing to buy.

For Black communities, who have a significantly lower homeownership rate compared to other groups, the 2008 housing crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic continue to take a major toll. That's why Chase is taking steps to play an active role in creating opportunities for minority communities, which includes offering affordable, low down-payment options with products and programs designed for Black families on their path to homeownership.

Dive in and uncover what you need to know about buying your first home, and how Chase can help make your dream a reality.

Working with a Home Lending Advisor
Chase's Home Lending Advisors are responsible for helping you prepare for homeownership, find the financing solutions to fit your needs, and get all of the down payment/housing assistance for which you may qualify. Home Lending Advisors work very closely with many first-time homebuyers, helping them navigate this process for the first time. They also help customers who are looking to refinance, or who might be upsizing or downsizing their current home. Chase and its Home Lending team start by looking at each customer's full financial picture in order to make the best recommendation for your successful path to homeownership. From prequalification to closing, we're here to offer guidance, support and expertise along the way.

Applying for Home Loans
A few basic things first-time buyers should understand before starting this process are:
Prepare your finances: Buying a home can be a big financial undertaking, which is why it will be important for you to get your finances in good shape. This involves things like continuing to pay bills on time, not taking on new debt and strengthening your credit score, which can help you secure a lower interest rate on your home loan. Chase is making it easier for customers to build up their credit score by supporting Project REACH, a program that increases chances of approval for applicants who have traditionally lacked access, so they can take that very first step.

- 1. Plan for your down payment:**
It's a well-known fact that you will most likely need to put money down up front to purchase a home. However, it's a myth that you must put 20% down. Every case is different,

- and there are a variety of mortgages available that may require as little as 3% down, such as the Chase DreaMaker. There may also be local programs that could help with down payments and closing costs. It's always a good idea to start saving, but it's also important to get familiar with what products and assistance might be available to you. You can connect with a Home Lending Advisor to get started.
- 2. Get pre-qualified:** As you begin your homebuying journey, you should know upfront how much home you can afford. Getting pre-qualified through a lender like Chase allows you to see what you may be eligible for, and it also shows sellers and real estate agents that you're a serious and competitive buyer.

Acknowledging the Resources Available to You
Chase's Homebuyer Grant program offers up to \$5,000 for eligible customers to help with closing costs and down payment assistance when buying a home in more than 6,700 minority communities nationwide. The Chase DreaMaker mortgage offers down payments as low as 3% and reduced mortgage insurance.

Chase also developed a new role called "Community Home Lending Advisor," which is designed to be in minority and low-to-moderate income communities. These are experts focused on local housing and down payment assistance programs and work closely with local housing nonprofits and other community organizations. To date, Chase has hired more than 100 Community Home Lending Advisors nationwide and will continue to expand.

Getting Started Today
For those starting their journey toward homeownership, Chase's financial goals hub is a great starting point. You start by picking a goal, which could be saving or building credit, and exploring advice, offerings and tools to help you track toward it and achieve it. The Grow Your Savings page, for example, offers an interactive calculator that maps out a timeline to reach savings goals and highlights how the Autosave tool can help you manage a regular savings schedule to stay on track and meet your goals. There are other great resources, too, like budget worksheets to monitor and track monthly spending, guidance on using the Credit Journey tool to build and protect credit, as well as background on low-cost checking accounts designed for those who have had trouble getting or keeping an account in the past.

Knowing When to Buy
Buying a home can be exciting, but it can also come with a lot of stress. Learning as much as you can about the homebuying process is the best thing you can do *before* you start shopping for properties or comparing mortgage options. Other questions you should consider before buying a home include:

- Do you have a steady income to rely on?
- How much home can you afford?
- Have you picked a location where you want to stay long-term?
- Are you comfortable managing debt?

If you think you're ready to take the next step in purchasing a home, reach out to learn more about the tools, resources and capital available to help make your homeownership dream a reality.

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enforcement officers to issue a summons for someone to appear before the court if they’ve committed a nonviolent misdemeanor, reducing the number of people waiting in jail. The bill would also allow prosecutors to offer a pre-trial diversion program for nonviolent crimes.

“During the pandemic we saw law enforcement officers successfully use this framework across the state,” Pryor said in a statement. “Requiring law enforcement officials to utilize summons to appear will keep Hoosiers out of jails for petty crimes and address the state’s jail overcrowding issue. This bill is simply about keeping working Hoosiers with families from needlessly being kept in jail while awaiting trial.”

Another yet-to-be-numbered House bill, presented by Pryor, would establish a Fair Housing Practices fund for down payment assistance and grants. It would also require cultural competency and implicit bias training for appraisers to decrease the rate of discriminatory lending and appraisal practices in the state.

Sen. Jean Breaux, D-District 34, introduced Senate Bill 151, which would establish scholarships for minority students pursuing health care careers. The goal, Breaux said, is to not only get more Black Hoosiers working in the medical field, but to garner better outcomes for African Americans seeking medical care.

In Indiana, for example, Black women are three to four times more likely than white women to die giving birth. Breaux hopes increasing representation in hospitals and medical facilities will benefit the health care field twofold: African Americans will feel more comfortable accessing medical care, and the medical care they receive will be improved.

“When you see yourself represented in the doctors and nurses treating you, you feel more comfortable,” Breaux said. “You’re also more likely to be listened to and taken seriously.”

House Bill 1067, authored by Shackelford, would require the Division of Family Services to continue waiving copays for eligible families and to reimburse eligible providers using federal COVID-19 relief funds until the federal pandemic emergency ends.

Despite a shorter session this year — the session only runs until March 14 — members are optimistic that many of the bills proposed by the IBLC will be heard.

“I look forward to championing these long overdue policy changes in the 2022 Legislative Session,” Pryor said in a statement. “True justice requires us to evaluate our current practices and have a willingness to take action in abandoning the status quo.”

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BRIEF

City names leader for new domestic violence program

The Office of Public Health and Safety (OPHS) and Indy Public Safety Foundation (IPSF) announced Danyette Smith will lead the city’s new domestic violence program. The program will connect victims and

survivors of domestic violence. Smith will help guide victims through the stages of domestic violence: recognizing a situation is abusive, leaving the situation and then navigating the challenges of finding and maintaining housing, child care, employment and financial independence. Smith was most recently director of strategic initiatives at the Domestic Violence Network. In 2015, she founded Silent No More, which provides emergency shelter placement, wraparound

services and advocacy. “The needs of domestic violence survivors are vast,” Dane Nutty, IPSF executive director, said in a statement. “There are countless organizations and activists doing incredible work in our community, and this effort will help streamline those processes, bring more resources and support to the collective work, and release the burden off of individuals in the cycles of an abusive relationship.”



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Alabama quarterback Bryce Young scans Georgia’s defense during the College Football Playoff national championship Jan. 10, 2022. (Photo/David Dixon)

Bryce Young, ‘the Gingerbread Man,’ ran into Bulldogs’ cookie cutters

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During a virtual media day event Jan. 8, three days before his team was set to go up against defending national champion Alabama, Georgia defensive tackle Jordan Davis let the world in on a telling, if not humorous, secret. Georgia’s defense spent the week of preparation referring to Crimson Tide quarterback Bryce Young as the Gingerbread Man.

It’s a compliment, technically, and one that was well deserved. Young, the Heisman winner, carved up Georgia’s vaunted defense a month prior in the SEC title game — just as he and Alabama (13-2, No. 1 seed) had done to most teams this season.

The moniker isn’t inaccurate, either, because Young is an elusive quarterback.

Run, run, as fast as you can. You can’t catch me, I’m the Gingerbread Man!

The Bulldogs (14-1, No. 3 seed) brought their cookie cutters to Lucas Oil Stadium on Jan. 10 in a 33-18 win to give the program its first national championship since 1980.

Here’s how it went: Third and goal. A chance to go up two scores in the second quarter. Sack.

And then: Final drive. The Tide need a miracle down 15 with less than a minute to play. Sack on first and 10, sack on second and 22 and, just for good measure, a sack on the final play of the game.

Even when it wasn’t a sack in the stat sheet, Georgia’s defense wreaked havoc in Alabama’s backfield, making Young scramble to find plays and hitting him — hard.

It was a night-and-day difference from the SEC championship game, when the Bulldogs didn’t register a single sack.

“They switched some things up,” Young said. “We knew that we might get some different looks. Some looks took me a little bit just to get down.”

Georgia’s defense was already going to be in the discussion as one of the most dominant units in the modern history of college football. Going into the title game, the Bulldogs allowed only 253 total yards per game and had the country’s No. 1 scoring defense at 9.6 points per game.

But to cap the season the way they did against Alabama, the program that churns out NFL talent with the best of them, meant a little something extra.

“We knew we was going to be special from the jump,” Davis said after the game. “We knew we were going to be special from the beginning, and just working through it and having a tremendous regular season and tremendous postseason, it just makes it all worthwhile.”

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was made clear throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, as many workers and students relied on the internet to work and learn from home. The governor said the state would continue to partner on public safety efforts, which he said includes “supporting and appropriately funding” law enforcement officers. The state will invest \$70 million in the state’s law enforcement academy.

“To Indiana’s law enforcement community, I say, “Thank you, and we’ve got your back,” Holcomb said, garnering a standing ovation from the chamber.

Closing out his speech, Holcomb used the opportunity to encourage Hoosiers to get vaccinated and thank vaccinated Hoosiers for keeping others safe.

“To date, more than 19,000 Hoosier lives have been lost — more than live in Huntington, or Crawfordsville or Jasper. ... I want to thank over 3.5 million Hoosiers who are vaccinated and those getting boosted. You are a big reason our hospital network hasn’t collapsed. ... If you haven’t been vaccinated, I encourage — I plead — I even beg you to speak to your doctor and do so. I say this, even if you’ve disagreed with every position I’ve taken. I just want us both to be around to continue to have those disagreements. And a special thank you to all of those who are putting others above themselves to continue the battle against COVID-19.”

Despite Holcomb’s optimism about the direction Indiana is headed, state Democrats have concerns about what they deem as a lack of direction for 2022. Following Holcomb’s address, State Democratic Party House Leader Rep. Phil GiaQuinta and Senate Minority Leader Sen. Greg Taylor gave their response.

“Once again, we’ve heard the rosy picture being painted by our governor,” Taylor said. “We all know at home, Hoosiers are

struggling with the pandemic, with sick children or not being able to have their children in school due to the pandemic. The governor’s address was alarmingly silent on [these] realities.”

GiaQuinta said Holcomb is “sounding more like House Democrats with some of the things he’s been talking about” but said he doesn’t seem to have a clear roadmap for the year. Both GiaQuinta and Taylor argue there’s a “cultural war” between state Democrats and Republicans, citing several bills presented by Republican lawmakers, including House Bill 1077, which passed the House on Jan. 11. The bill would repeal the law requiring a person to obtain a license to carry a handgun in Indiana.

GiaQuinta and Taylor said that “flies in the face” of Holcomb’s goal of supporting law enforcement, as more guns on the street endangers officers, they said.

GiaQuinta said Holcomb has sway in the General Assembly and needs to use his position to keep members of his party from making gaffes that put them in national headlines.

“He has to say, ‘Hey, look, do we want to be on Colbert like we were the other night?’” GiaQuinta said, referencing Sen. Scott Baldwin’s statement that teachers ought to be impartial when teaching students about Nazis making national headlines, as well as making him the butt of a joke during a segment on “The Late Show with Stephen Colbert.”

However, as far as state Republicans are concerned, the governor is aligned with his party. Following Holcomb’s speech, Sen. Rodric Bray and Rep. Todd Huston said they look forward to building upon the ideas outlined in Holcomb’s speech during the session.

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Arbery killers get life in prison; no parole for father, son

By RUSS BYNUM Associated Press

BRUNSWICK, Ga. (AP) — Three white men who chased and killed Ahmaud Arbery were sentenced Jan. 7 to life in prison, with a judge denying any chance of parole for the father and son who armed themselves and initiated the deadly pursuit of the 25-year-old Black man.

Murder carries a mandatory sentence of life in prison under Georgia law unless prosecutors seek the death penalty, which they opted against for Arbery’s killing. For Superior Court Judge Timothy Walmsley, the main decision was whether to grant Greg and Travis McMichael and their neighbor, William “Roddie” Bryan, an eventual chance to earn parole.

The judge ordered both McMichaels to serve life without parole. Bryan was granted a chance of parole, but must first serve at least 30 years in prison.

Arbery’s family asked a judge to show no lenience Friday in sentencing three men.

During the sentencing hearing, Arbery’s sister recalled her brother’s humor, describing him as a positive thinker with a big personality. She told the judge her brother had dark skin “that glistened in the sunlight,” thick, curly hair and an athletic build, factors that made him a target to the men who pursued him.

“These are the qualities that made these men assume that Ahmaud was a dangerous criminal and chase them with guns drawn. To me, those qualities reflect a young man full of life and energy who looked like me and the people I loved,” Jasmine Arbery said.

Arbery’s mother asked for the maximum sentence, saying she suffered a personal, intense loss made worse by a trial where the men’s defense was that Arbery made bad choices that led to his death.

“This wasn’t a case of mistaken identity or mistaken fact. They chose to target my son because they didn’t want him in their community. They chose to treat him differently than other people who frequently visited their community,” Wanda Cooper-Jones said. “And when they couldn’t sufficiently scare or intimidate him, they killed him.”

Prosecutor Linda Dunikoski asked the judge for life without parole for Travis and Greg McMichael and the possibility of parole for Bryan. But she said all deserved that mandatory life sentence for showing “no empathy for the trapped and terrified Ahmaud Arbery.”

Contending the McMichaels still believed they didn’t do anything wrong, Dunikoski disclosed Friday that Greg McMichael gave Bryan’s cellphone video of the shooting to an attorney, who leaked it. “He believed it was going to exonerate him,” the prosecutor said.

For Travis McMichael, who is 35, the possibility for parole could mean hope for release from prison in his 60s, said Robert Rubin, one of his defense attorneys. He argued that Travis McMichael opened fire



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only after “Mr. Arbery came at him and grabbed the gun.” But Rubin also acknowledged his client’s decisions to arm himself and chase Arbery were “reckless” and “thoughtless.”

“They are not evidence of a soul so blackened as to deserve to spend the rest of his life in prison,” Rubin said. “This was not a planned murder. This was a fight over a gun that led to Mr. Arbery’s death.”

Greg McMichael recently turned 66, and Bryan is 52, raising the chances that they would spend the remainder of their lives in prison even if granted a chance of parole.

Greg McMichael’s lawyer, Laura Hogue, said her client has health problems and acknowledged he likely won’t ever get out of prison. But he said granting him a chance at parole would show he didn’t intend Arbery to die, never pulling his gun until his son fired his shotgun.

“Greg McMichael did not leave his home that day hoping to kill,” Hogue told the judge. “He did not view his son firing that shotgun with anything other than fear and sadness. What this jury found was this was an unintentional act.”

Bryan’s lawyer said he should get a chance at parole because he showed remorse and cooperated with police, turning over the cellphone video of the shooting to help them get to the truth.

“Mr. Bryan isn’t the one who brought a gun,” Kevin Gough said. “He was unarmed. And I think that reflects his intentions.”

The guilty verdicts against the men handed down the day before Thanksgiving prompted a victory

celebration outside the Glynn County courthouse for those who saw Arbery’s death as part of a larger national reckoning on racial injustice.






All three men were also convicted of aggravated assault, false imprisonment and criminal attempt to commit false imprisonment. Maximum prison terms for those counts range from five to 20 years. The judge was likely to allow those additional penalties to be served simultaneously with the life sentences for murder.

The McMichaels grabbed guns and jumped in a pickup truck to chase the 25-year-old Arbery after spotting him running in their neighborhood outside the Georgia port city of Brunswick on Feb. 23, 2020. Bryan joined the pursuit in his own truck and recorded cellphone video of Travis McMichael firing close-range shotgun blasts into Arbery as he threw punches and grabbed for the weapon.

The killing went largely unnoticed until two months later, when the graphic video was leaked online and touched off a national outcry. The Georgia Bureau of Investigation took over the case from local police and soon arrested all three men.

Defense attorneys have said they plan to appeal the convictions. They have 30 days after sentencing to file them.

Next month, the McMichaels and Bryan face a second trial, this time in U.S. District Court on federal hate crime charges. A judge has set jury selection to begin Feb. 7. Prosecutors will argue that the three men violated Arbery’s civil rights and targeted him because he was Black.



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Marcia Lewis

IHA gets new leadership

Mayor Joe Hogsett named Marcia Lewis as interim executive director of Indianapolis Housing Agency. She replaces John Hall, who left to pursue other professional opportunities.

Lewis currently serves as IHA’s chief deputy executive director of change management. She was previously chief executive officer of the Memphis Housing Authority in Memphis, Tennessee.

In a statement, Hogsett thanked Hall, who took over in 2019. “Despite the challenges and disruptions of the pandemic, John continued to guide one of our city’s most important public agencies,” Hogsett said.



Pride Academy Early Learning Institute held its annual B'More at the Balt Toy and Coat Giveaway and Clothe-A-Child event Dec. 18. Children whose parent or parents were murdered or are incarcerated or involved with drugs were able to shop at Kohl's for new clothes. In addition, 30,000 items including toys, shoes, books, backpacks filled with toiletries, coats, hats and gloves were distributed to families. Lunch was provided and parents were able to apply for jobs. (Photos/ provided by Pride Academy)



New program available to help eligible Hoosiers afford High-Speed Internet

AARP Says Affordable, Reliable High-Speed Internet is Essential for Health & Safety of Older Hoosiers

pay for high-speed internet services.

Connection was more important than ever in 2020 and 2021, but for many, it was hard to find.

Additionally, the ACP provides a one-time discount of up to \$100 per household for a laptop, desktop computer or tablet purchased through a participating provider.

What was once an easy visit with family or friends became a complicated endeavor that took place in front of a computer screen. And if your home or community lacked access to high-speed internet, then the opportunity to connect became even more frustrating.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is defining an eligible household through several different criteria.

Research from AARP found that while more older adults (44%) now view tech more positively as a way to stay connected than they did before COVID-19, greater adoption and reliance on technology is uneven with 15% of adults 50+ not having access to any type of internet, and 60% saying the cost of high-speed internet is an obstacle.

Single-family households that have an income of less than \$25,760 and households with an income of \$43,540 for a couple (at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines) qualify for the ACP.

Individuals who qualify for the Lifeline program or Medicaid, receive SNAP or WIC benefits, Federal Public Housing Assistance or Veterans and Survivors Pension Benefits, also qualify.

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) aims to help Hoosiers offset the cost of high-speed Internet and related technology. It replaces the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB), a temporary program that ran through 2021.

If you or your household qualified for the Emergency Broadband Benefit or met the eligibility criteria of an Internet service provider's COVID-19 program, you will need to requalify for the ACP.

"The pandemic continues to take a severe financial toll on many Hoosier families," Addison Pollock, AARP Indiana community engagement director, said. "It is important that folks take a close look at the new Affordable Connectivity Program, whether or not they were enrolled in the EBB, to see if they are able to access these important benefits."

"The COVID-19 pandemic has shown us that access to high speed internet is not a luxury; it's a necessity," Pollock said. "AARP fought for the Affordable Connectivity Program because too many Americans do not have access to the affordable, high speed internet they need to work, attend school, see the doctor and avoid isolation."

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EDITORIAL

Protecting children isn’t really what this is about

By OSEYE BOYD



Last week I wrote about a committee hearing on Senate Bill 167, Education Matters. In that column, I wrote about a couple of mothers who voiced their support of the bill and some of their comments, but those two moms weren’t the only ones who supported the bill. Plenty of moms, dads and educators expressed support for SB 167. A common thread among all of them was they supported the bill because it protected the children.

Ah, yes, the smokescreen of protecting the children. Who doesn’t want to protect the children? To come out and boldly state you don’t care about children is not only political suicide, but you’ll be practically shunned from polite society. You must state you are for children although your actions don’t have to align with that statement at all. Like most things in this country, we pay lip service to protecting children.

Well, the people who provided testimony want to do more than talk about it. They want to be about it. Be about what, though, is the question. They’re all about protecting children from hurt feelings and pornographic books that are rampant in school libraries. You read that right. School libraries are filled with pornographic materials. I was shocked to hear this as I don’t remember that ever being the case when I went to school in Indiana. Granted that was some time ago, and things change, but I don’t recall my children ever bringing home material I deemed

pornographic. Maybe my standards are low, but school librarians are pretty diligent about choosing non-pornographic material.

What I soon discovered is this so-called pornographic material often dealt with themes such as gender and sexuality, which made some parents uncomfortable. Since the material made parents uncomfortable, it was labeled inappropriate. Now, the parental thing to do is have a conversation with your child about why you don’t think this book is appropriate, but that would expose the truth of how the parents really feel. This is what they don’t want. They don’t want to be exposed for being hypocrites, and they don’t want to have tough conversations with their children, so instead, they go after the low-hanging fruit of banning books all in the name of protecting children.

It’s the same deal when it comes to discussing issues of race in the classroom. These parents don’t want their children’s feelings hurt about the past. No one is asking children to feel guilt about a past they can’t change. Again, parents don’t want to be uncomfortable. They don’t want to deal with their true feelings.

Parents are scapegoating children to hide their racism, homophobia and transphobia.

And let’s be real honest here, it’s not all children they’re really trying to protect. It’s white children, who are viewed as the default. Black children aren’t even on the radar.

If these parents — or anyone for that matter — truly wants to protect children, there’s a lot that could

be done. In Marion County, 19.4% of children under 18 live in poverty. Surveyors for the 2021 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count, which provides a snapshot of the homeless population in Marion County, found nine minors were unaccompanied and another 268 children were with family. In total, about 15% of the homeless population are children. About 208,000 Indianapolis residents live in a food desert, according to data from SAVI at the Polis Center at IUPUI.

For those who are serious about protecting children, I’d say these are good places to start. But society doesn’t really care about those children because we don’t care about their (poor) parents. The parents didn’t make the “right choices” and the children carry the burden of those “bad decisions,” but I digress.

Granted, these issues are often outside of school, although the fallout from these issues comes into the schoolhouse every day. If we want to bring it back into the school, how about protecting kids from bullying and school shootings. I mentioned last week the Center Grove parent who didn’t want her children learning critical race theory, but just a few short weeks ago a Center Grove student wore blackface to mock a Black student. Shouldn’t schools educate on why blackface is wrong and protect another student from having a similar experience? I would think the mom from Noblesville wants her children protected from another school shooting. If we’re going to talk protecting children, all children, let’s have that conversation and include topics that will make a difference.

But protecting all children isn’t what this is about.

Mocking Dr. King’s legacy

By LARRY SMITH



In a few days, those of us who actually know — and who genuinely embrace — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s legacy will endure the annual Kabuki theater of those who invoke his name even as they actively work against his principles. In the words of Sen. Raphael Warnock, who pastors the same church that Dr. King did: “You can’t remember Dr. King and dismember his legacy at the same time.” Sadly, many people are attempting to do just that.

It will be infuriating to witness duplicitous lawmakers who will float ethereal-yet-meaningless platitudes about Dr. King. Many will quote the only sentence fragment in the only paragraph in the only speech of King’s that they know — even as they stand in unwavering opposition to voting rights and economic justice that are aimed at the people for whom he sacrificed his life.

Dr. King’s birthday is intended to be a celebration, replete with calls for unity. Yet, I cannot conceal the visceral disgust that I have for people whose actions are completely contradictory

to everything for which he stood. This is especially true for those who are systematically dismantling democracy, employing abject lies about voting security. Millions of Americans distrust our elections because they have been suckered by an inveterately lying former president — a con man whose prevarication about his election loss is being aided and abetted by his political minions and a right-wing media apparatus that is perverting (and subverting) democracy.

Former President Trump’s own Department of Justice, Federal Election Commission and Department of Homeland Security all confirmed that the 2020 election was exceedingly secure. Still, Republican lawmakers and others who have consistently stoked fears of “voter fraud” are applying “remedies” to address the same, passing dozens of voter suppression laws — across several states — as well as laws that give state legislatures the ability to overturn elections. Democracy is not dying in the dark; it is being strangled in broad daylight.

Disturbingly, millions of Americans have faith in Trump, who traitorously tried to pressure election officials into finding more votes for him, as well

as urging them to shelve states’ Electoral College representatives. They have hitched their political wagon to someone who lost the White House, the Senate and the House — which last happened when Herbert Hoover completed that trifecta. Incredibly, these same people also believe that Democrats are trying to subvert our democracy by ensuring that every eligible American can exercise his or her right to vote.

Further, as a pro-life Evangelical Christian, I will again express my extreme dismay at my white brothers and sisters who embrace this chicanery. (Dr. King repeatedly expressed his opprobrium at the same.) To them I say that this is not about liberal vs. conservative. This isn’t right vs. left; it’s about right vs. wrong. Dr. King famously said that 11 on Sunday morning is “the most segregated hour in America”; there is no mystery as to why that is still the case. (As a reminder, roughly two-thirds of white Americans disapproved of King at the time of his assassination.)

I have two requests. First, if all one knows about Dr. King is a snippet of one speech, I ask that person not to pretend that he or she can speak with authority about him. Instead, read the

five books that he authored, as well as several dozen of his speeches. Second, if one actively opposes the kinds of legislative, social and economic measures that King promoted, please don’t make a mockery of his legacy by pretending that he would agree with your ideology or actions.

I have alluded to King’s “I Have a Dream” speech. While he never completely denounced his most famous speech, he would later call his dream a “nightmare.” King made it clear that he was increasingly frustrated at the slow pace of racial and economic justice in America — and pessimistic about the prospect of lasting change. Appropriately, I’ll end with his words:

“But now more than ever before, America is challenged to realize its dream, for the shape of the world today does not permit our nation the luxury of an anemic democracy. And the price that America must pay for the continued oppression of the Negro and other minority groups is the price of its own destruction. For the hour is late. And the clock of destiny is ticking out. We must act now before it is too late.”

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Advocating for environmental justice in Black communities

By DENISE ABDUL-RAHMAN



As we embark on a new year, I’ve had time to reflect on what I experienced in Glasgow, Scotland, at the 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference, informally known as COP26, and what international commitments to combat climate change mean for vulnerable communities back here in Indiana. In addition to how unusually warm it is, thus the extremely close to home and recent debilitating tornados, spurred by climate change.

Simply put: We’re not doing enough, and we risk leaving behind those Hoosiers most in need both urban and rural. As we begin to see more funding flowing into our state to address the climate emergency, we have to make sure that money is spent in places where there is the highest need — frontline communities like where Black Hoosiers have long been vulnerable to our unjust energy system and the dire effects of the climate emergency.

Cities such as Indianapolis, Gary, Evansville and Fort Wayne need to deploy those once-in-a-lifetime financial resources to ensure real, systemic change moving forward. We have to make sure those investments are tracked and their impacts are measured.

As a staff and chair of environmental and climate justice for the Indiana NAACP, I was fortunate to be able to travel to COP26 with a broader NAACP delegation that included our National Board Environmental and Climate Justice Chair Kathy Egland, Chief of Strategy Yumeka Rushing, the Director of Youth and College Wisdom Cole and others. We met with delegates from Jamaica, the Caribbean and Pan Africa, and we spent time with environmental justice leaders who serve on the White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council, such as Dr. Robert Bullard.

It was devastating to face how far we still have to go to mitigate what humans have done to our planet and to people who live on it.

Toxic facilities, like fossil fueled power plants and incinerators, emit mercury, arsenic, lead and other contaminants into the water, food and lungs of communities. Many of these same facilities also emit carbon dioxide and methane, the top two drivers of climate change. But not all people are equally impacted. Race — even more than class — is the No. 1 indicator for the placement of toxic facilities in this country hit by climate change.

The NAACP has long been focused on environmental justice and climate justice as a human and civil rights issue. Our organization has called for more urgent climate action that seizes all fossil fuel extractions in order to cool the planet below 1.5 Celsius and demanded that developed nations make good on their pledge of \$100 billion in climate financing to underdeveloped nations and contribute even more. As well as a need to provide dedicated resources for loss and damage. Calling a halt to deforestation and the wood pellet, biomass production that goes with it; stop the false geotechnologies like carbon capture sequestration, and amend article 6, in order to debunk the carbon market schemes and double counting that are immorally buying and selling our air.

Last year, through the leadership of President Barbara Bolling Williams, the Indiana State conference passed resolutions opposing carbon markets, and the national NAACP did the same this year. We want to address the root causes of polluting systems, technologies such as carbon capture sequestration continue to prop up the fossil fuel industry and are premised on dangerous mythology.

Taking part in COP26 was a remarkable experience getting to talk with elected officials at a Conference that is synonymous with ground zero for climate change discussions and advocacy. It was important to continue to help them learn more about how the decisions being made at COP26 affects communities of color around the world and right at home in Indiana. The hard work has to continue.

The NAACP will continue to reimagine, and work with our communities on what resilient and just communities should look like. Such as, can you imagine a community with community owned solar? A community that identifies a developer that will locally hire and provide apprenticeships and minority business contracts. Can you imagine the savings, the reduction in energy burden on each home, apartment, school, faith based, etc.? Now imagine the teacher salary increase, children’s access to better technology, faith institutions deepening their support to communities in need and so much more. Imagine the jobs that allow the child better access to healthy food and a thriving quality of life.

Our leaders need to make sure they are doing all they can with existing and new funds to prioritize reforms that will improve the lives of Black Hoosiers across our state who have been hit hard by polluting systems and excluded from equitable access to clean energy and energy efficiency economic benefits.

Anything less than real, meaningful action by legislators and leaders is a true injustice to Hoosier longing for a just and equitable transition to a green economic and resilient future.

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Think tank at Butler University connects students with community

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When Gabby Douglas took a social sciences class with Butler University professor Dr. Siobhan McEvoy-Levy, she felt a connection to the professor and the subject matter. That connection coupled with her passion for working with youth led Douglas to join the first cohort of students involved at the university's Desmond Tutu Peace Lab Think Tank, directed by McEvoy-Levy.

Started in 2018, the think tank allows undergraduate students to get a start in activism and change making in their communities. The roughly 100 students who have participated in the lab since its opening have organized on-campus lectures, events and have partnered with community organizations.

Students involved in the think tank focus on a wide range of issues, including disability justice, mass incarceration and environmental justice. Douglas, who graduated in 2020, led the think tank's youth engagement sector and worked frequently with the Martin Luther King (MLK) Center.

"We held activities on campus where Butler students would engage with young people from the MLK Center, and we had a lot of good discussions about current events and social justice," Douglas said.

Douglas said many Butler students live in the "Butler Bubble," something she said is common in private universities. The goal of the think tank is to

connect students with the greater community. "We're young and have voices, connections and resources," Douglas said. "We should be getting involved with the community and local organizations."

Last year, members of the think tank organized a speaking event with Bryan Stevenson, director of the Equal Justice Initiative. Beyond the lecture, students put together a list of resources for other students including readings on mass incarceration and national organizations working toward prison reforms.

Beyond on-campus and local events, students in the think tank travel to historical sites from the Civil Rights Movement as well as the National Memorial for Peace and Justice, which pays tribute to victims of lynching. These experiences help students put what they're researching into context and helps them understand how America's history has shaped the country today.

"I've heard students say many times they feel as if the traumatic history of slavery and racism is not taught well in school, and that this is the first time they've encountered history as something that's living today and has consequences," McEvoy-Levy said.

The founding director said while the pandemic kept students from traveling in 2020 and 2021, the ability to host virtual events has grown the organizations reach and furthered the message of its namesake, Desmond Tutu. The anti-apartheid leader,

who died in December, preached nonviolence and reconciliation.

"Our virtual events have brought people together from all over the world," McEvoy-Levy said. "I think with the increased polarizations in the country, we have to challenge ourselves to think about how we cannot just preach to the choir but reach across barrios and walls. Desmond Tutu's message was to see the humanity in your opponent, and we all have to work on that."

Dr. Terri Jett has been a faculty fellow for the think tank for four years and has seen a positive impact on the students.

"I've seen students become empowered to tackle some challenging issues head on, and grow very curious, even more so than they already are about a number of problems we face," Jett said.

Now working full time at education nonprofit, Building Tomorrow, Douglas said the things she learned during her time at the think tank helps her today.

"That activism mindset is still instilled in me," Douglas said. "The think tank helped me develop relationships with [Butler] departments and community organizations, and it taught me how to get engaged with my community. Through my work, I've traveled to Uganda, and the peace lab certainly helped prepare me for this career."

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Answering His Calling, an interview with Pastor Dr. James Jackson, Sr.

by **Kara Kavensky**

New Beginnings Fellowship Church Pastor Dr. James Jackson, Sr. shares his mission for his community.

Q: Tell me about growing up in Mobile, Alabama?

A: My father, who recently retired, was a Pastor for 45 years. Our church serviced downtown Mobile, which included the projects. As a kid, this is where all my friends lived and I am quite fortunate and blessed to have had both my mom and dad in the home. There are so many who didn't have this. I had a lot of brothers who would stay over in order to have that connection.

Q: What did you do after high school?

A: After graduating high school, I had an opportunity to go to college. I earned an M.S. in Elementary Education from Tuskegee University. It was there that I was called to the ministry. I then earned a Masters of Divinity in Richmond, Virginia at the Virginia Union School of Theology in 2000. The United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, is where I earned my Doctorate of Ministry degree in 2007. I have sought to merge ministry and education, which is a focus of mine, to get parents involved in educational development of their children.

Q: For a time, you served the Tampa Bay area in Florida, how did you end up in Indianapolis?

A: I came to serve Indianapolis in the 46218 zip code with Eastern Star Church, received invitation

to serve on staff with Pastor Jeffrey Johnson, and Assoc. of Preaching and Development, (2) and in 2004 was planted on the far east side, who planted me on the far east side, in the 46229 zip code, for the past 17 years. Oddly, I left Tampa around the same time as Tony Dungy for Indianapolis.

Q: When was New Beginnings Fellowship Church formed?

A: New Beginnings Fellowship Church started inside of Fall Creek Valley Middle School in 2004. They experienced a high level of growth and were able to purchase land off 21st Street and German Church within three years. New Beginnings built their current facility within a year. 2006 bought land. 2007 moved in.

Q: What have been your areas of focus as you have grown?

A: Taking care of the needs of children has been a priority. We added on a youth facility in the back of the church for teens, in addition to our existing daycare. We strive to get youth ready for school, development, education, and relationship-building. Our after school care programs are in the making.

Q: What type of efforts do you engage in with the community?

A: We participate in community projects with our young people. We have partnered with cleaning up the streets and we partner with Old Bethel to support a food pantry. We serve the needs of nearly 300 families with food assistance.

Q: Have you witnessed any

trends within the ministry?

A: Our counseling ministry is in higher demand, so is our grief counseling. We have counselors who help with the emotional health of those in our congregation.

Q: What type of workforce efforts does New Beginnings Fellowship Church support?

A: Prior to the pandemic, which has obviously presented some challenges, the Church offered Career Fairs with partners of ours. We help individuals prep and get ready for job placement and we are very much looking forward to having another [job fair] in the future. The church is working on motivating young people who may not have the opportunities of dual-parent homes and the economic fluency that they believe may dictate their future career. We are partnering with Eleven Fifty Academy, which is a program to help follow through on our intention. Individuals may not have the funds to go to college, but there are other ways to get a good job and leveraging tech is one path. We are providing an opportunity for families to transform their career through Eleven Fifty Academy.

Offering a localized cohort for individuals, with Eleven Fifty Academy curriculum of web development, software development, cybersecurity, or UX | UI, will help meet the deans of the tech industry with their rapid job growth. The US Bureau of Labor Statistics forecasts a job growth rate of 22%

for software developers between 2019 and 2029, compared with 4% for other occupations. Pastor Dr. James Jackson, Sr. understands growth, as the New Beginnings membership has grown from 300 to over 7000 parishioners. Being connected to their community is important to New Beginnings Fellowship Church, which offers streaming of their services, as well as an app to stay up to date with their congregation.

The mission of Eleven Fifty Academy is to build an ecosystem of tech talent that financially benefits the individual, their employer, and their community. There are definitely some synergies with their shared intentions.



Omicron surge, limited testing causes issues for some Hoosiers

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You've got all the common symptoms of the flu: a runny nose, chills and a slight cough. In pre-pandemic times, you might not think much of it. However, in the wake of COVID-19, particularly its highly contagious variant, omicron, it may leave you anticipating the worst. Due to the similarity of symptoms between the flu and COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends getting tested and quarantining until you get a negative COVID-19 result. "With COVID, you can have about the same symptoms as the flu, so it can be really hard to tell," Dr. Tamika Dawson of Indiana University Health Physicians Family and Sports Medicine said in a previous interview with the

Symptom	Flu	COVID-19
Fever and muscle aches	Usually	Usually
Shortness of breath	Usually	Usually
Loss of taste or smell	Usually	Usually
Nausea or vomiting	Usually (more prominent in young children)	Sometimes
Cough	Usually (dry cough)	Usually

Symptoms of the flu and COVID-19 are very similar. Experts say the only way to know for sure if you have COVID-19 is by getting tested. (Graphic/Breanna Cooper)

Recorder. "Testing is really important." Finding a rapid COVID-19 test, however, may be easier said than done. New restrictions put in place by the Indiana State Department of Health — due to limited availability of rapid tests — only allow anyone under 18 and symptomatic individuals over 50 to get a rapid test. Rapid tests deliver

results between 30 minutes to an hour, while lab tests yield results roughly two to three days after testing.

Mark Bell, a waiter, developed symptoms of COVID-19 on Jan. 6. At 34, he didn't qualify for a rapid COVID-19 test, and he didn't feel well enough to wait in line for a test. Following CDC guidelines, he waited five days before returning to work.

"Weekends are usually the best times for me, money wise, because we have more people coming in," Bell said. "I was off work for four days, three weekend nights. I usually can pay my rent using weekend tips."

Ebony Chappel waited in line for hours Dec. 29 to get a test at a drive-thru facility. While she has the ability to work from home and manage her own schedule, Chappel said too many Hoosiers don't have that flexibility.

"This isn't feasible for anyone who works an hourly wage job or doesn't have child care," Chappel said. "Being able to go get tested is a luxury. It's a luxury to be able to piss off three hours in your day just to get tested, not to mention the travel time."

Chappel said she wants to see a concerted effort from organizations and local elected officials to provide easier access to testing and masks.

"It's a critical need in our community," Chappel said. "I'm scared for people that don't have money, like if I was in the position I was before in the service industry, this would be incredibly hard. That's the reality of a lot of people right now, who just don't have the time or resources to take care of themselves."

The omicron surge comes at a time when flu cases in Indiana are rising. For the last two years, masks and business closures led to low rates of the flu. However, with lax mask restrictions and most businesses reopened to full capacity, health experts expect to see more flu cases in 2022. On average, roughly 100 Hoosiers die of the flu every year, with cases spiking around March and April.

"Not only do we have omicron going around, it's the time of year when everyone gets sick anyway," Bell said.

With COVID-19 tests hard to come by and symptoms virtually indistinguishable from the flu, it's important to stop the spread of both viruses. Dawson said masks are the most effective way to stop the spread of both illnesses.

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Winter Farmers Markets Offer SNAP Incentives

About 200,000 residents in Indianapolis live in areas with low food access and many are impacted by food insecurity issues. Those who participate in SNAP – the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – experience many barriers to accessing healthy foods, the most common being cost. One way the Marion County Public Health Department's Chronic Disease department is tackling this issue is through its Fresh Bucks program. Fresh Bucks is a nutrition incentive program that helps families eat more healthy foods while supporting local farmers. Fresh Bucks is available to individuals and families who receive SNAP, known as Hoosier Works in Indiana. They can use their Hoosier Works card at the market information table of farmers markets to buy SNAP tokens and receive a matching number of Fresh Bucks checks, up to \$20 per day. This means that \$20 is turned into \$40 to spend at the market. SNAP tokens are used at the market to buy any SNAP-eligible food items such as produce, bread, dairy, meat/poultry, eggs, honey and syrups. Fresh Bucks checks can be used for any fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs. Three farmers markets in Indianapolis are part of the Fresh Bucks program this winter. The markets include Broad Ripple Winter Farmers Market, Garfield Park Winter Farmers Market and Indy Winter Farmers Market. Markets operate every Saturday from now until the end of April. Fresh Bucks will also be available at the summer markets and farm stands starting in May 2022. Over the next few years, Fresh Bucks plans to expand into retail stores, focusing on small and mid-size locally owned food stores. The goal of this expansion is to provide equitable and affordable access to fresh produce for more households on SNAP by being available at more places where people are food shopping. Fresh Bucks is one partner in the recently created Indiana Nutrition Incentive Network (ININ), where representatives from around the state who organize SNAP matching programs in their regions and communities come together. Future goals for this network are to build its ability to create uniformity and collaboration for these programs across county lines, including funding and evaluation. Currently, the Fresh Bucks program is possible through funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's REACH project (Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health) and supported by IU Health and the City of Indianapolis. Fresh Bucks is always looking for ways to get the most benefit from funding opportunities to help cover the cost of incentives, such as food, which is key to its future success. Having access to fruits and vegetables is the key to following a healthy eating pattern and is vital to the prevention and management of chronic disease. In addition to the health benefits, Fresh Bucks is a program that comes full circle. Funding that is used to allow SNAP participants to get fresh healthy produce ultimately ends up in the hands of local growers and retailers, boosting the local food economy. For more details about the program and ways to support Fresh Bucks, please contact Elise Gahan at the Marion County Public Health Department, EGahan@marion-health.org. More information about Fresh Bucks is also available online at freshbucksindy.org.

Can a Christian flag fly at City Hall? The Supreme Court will have to decide

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(THE CONVERSATION)
There are three flagpoles outside Boston City Hall. One flies the United States flag. Another flies the Massachusetts state flag. What can — and can't — fly from the third is an issue being taken up by the Supreme Court.

On Jan. 18, the Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in *Shurtleff v. Boston*. The case addresses whether the city violated the First Amendment by denying a request to temporarily raise the Christian flag on a flagpole outside City Hall, where Boston has temporarily displayed many secular organizations' flags.

The case raises important questions about free speech at a time when many members of the Supreme Court seem concerned about restrictions on religion. The court's decision will likely clarify one or more free speech doctrines, impacting how courts nationwide interpret the First Amendment's guarantees.

Shurtleff v. Boston also highlights disagreements about the nature and scope of freedom of speech, the kind of disputes I study in my work on free speech and the First Amendment.

Case background

Boston permits groups to request that a flag temporarily fly alongside the American and Massachusetts flags at City Hall to mark special occasions, replacing the city flag that usually occupies the third post. Past examples include flag requests from the Chinese Progressive Association and the National Juneteenth Observance Foundation.

In 2017, Camp Constitution, a New Hampshire-based organization, requested to fly the Christian flag, which has a cross in the upper left corner and was designed by a Sunday school teacher and a missionary executive in the late 1800s. Today, some Protestant denominations display the flag inside their churches.

Camp Constitution asked to fly the flag as part of a planned event "to celebrate the civic contributions of Boston's Christian community." The

organization says its mission is "to enhance understanding of our Judeo-Christian moral heritage, our American heritage of courage and ingenuity, including the genius of our United States Constitution, and the application of free enterprise."

Boston denied the request. The city cited concerns that raising the Christian flag at Boston City Hall would violate the First Amendment's establishment clause, which bars the government from promoting particular religions over others. After making a second request, which Boston also denied, Camp Constitution sued.

A federal district court and the First Circuit Court of Appeals sided with Boston on the grounds that flying a flag on the third flagpole was government speech, not private speech — and therefore the city was entitled to refuse to fly the Christian flag on its flagpole.

Camp Constitution appealed to the Supreme Court, which granted review.

The case's outcome will likely hinge on the Supreme Court's determination of whose views are represented by the flagpole outside City Hall: the private organization whose flag is temporarily flying, or the government. In other words, this case is about who is "speaking" when that flag goes up, and whose free speech rights are protected.

If the court determines that Camp Constitution is speaking, then a framework the court has developed, known as the "public forum doctrine," will apply. This would likely result in a ruling favoring Camp Constitution.

If the court determines that the city of Boston is speaking, then the court's government speech doctrine will apply. This would likely result in a ruling favoring Boston.

Public forum doctrine

Federal, state and local governments oversee a wide variety of public spaces, such as parks, universities and courthouses, just to name a few. These areas serve different functions, some of which require more regulation of speech than others.

The Supreme Court has



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organized government spaces into several categories, each of which permits different types of restrictions on free speech.

This set of categories and permitted restrictions is referred to as the public forum doctrine.

Spaces like public parks and sidewalks are considered public forums, the category that permits the fewest restrictions on speech. In a public forum, a government can never restrict speech based on viewpoint — specific positions on a topic — and is severely limited as to when it can restrict speech based on content — a given topic.

Normally, a flagpole outside a city hall would not be considered a public forum. However, the Supreme Court also recognizes a separate category, "designated public forums," which are spaces the government converts into public forums. In a designated public forum, free speech regulation is limited in the same way it would be in a public forum.

In *Shurtleff v. Boston*, both parties agree that the area surrounding the flagpole is a public forum. But they disagree over whether the flagpole itself is a designated public forum. Camp Constitution argues that Boston has turned the flagpole into a designated public forum by allowing other groups to fly their flags there. Meanwhile, Boston argues that it has not, because the city retained control by permitting limited types of groups to raise their flags.

Camp Constitution notes that Boston previously approved 284 requests to raise other flags, and that there is no

record of a prior request being denied.

But Boston counters that none of those previous requests were for religious flags. The city argues that only two types of flags have been permitted: flags representing territories, nations and ethnicities, and flags associated with publicly recognized days of observance, such as Veterans Day and LGBTQ Pride Month. Boston argues that such limited categories of approval are not what one would expect in a designated public forum, and that this is evidence that Boston has not turned its flagpole into a designated public forum.

Government speech doctrine

Over 30 years ago, in *Rust v. Sullivan*, the Supreme Court recognized that the government itself is a speaker with First Amendment rights — an idea known as the government speech doctrine. Government speech is not subject to the public forum doctrine. Instead, the government has much greater discretion in deciding which messages it endorses.

Boston argues that raising a flag on the third flagpole at City Hall is government speech and therefore the city has the right to determine what views it wants to express on its flagpole. Camp Constitution disagrees, maintaining that the flagpole is a designated public forum and therefore few restraints on private groups' free speech are allowed on the flagpole.

Both parties' arguments rely

on competing interpretations of the government speech doctrine put forward by the Supreme Court in two cases, *Pleasant Grove v. Summum* and *Walker v. Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans*.

In 2009, the Supreme Court held in *Pleasant Grove v. Summum* that the permanent monuments in a park owned and operated by the town were government speech. The Supreme Court's unanimous decision allowed the town to deny a request from a small religious group, Summum, to install a permanent monument expressing its beliefs, even though the park had previously accepted a monument of the Ten Commandments.

In 2015, the Supreme Court held in *Walker v. Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans* that license plates were government speech. This permitted Texas to deny a request for a specialty license plate featuring the Confederate flag, even though Texas offered a wide range of other specialty plates. Unlike *Pleasant Grove v. Summum*, this case was decided by a slim 5-4 majority.

Shurtleff v. Boston will likely require the court to further clarify the government speech doctrine. The central issue is this: When another flag temporarily replaces Boston's own, who is speaking?

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Pope on COVID vaccines says health care a 'moral obligation'

By **NICOLE WINFIELD**
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ROME (AP) — Pope Francis suggested Jan. 10 that getting vaccinated against the coronavirus was a "moral obligation" and denounced how people had been swayed by "baseless information" to refuse one of the most effective measures to save lives during the pandemic.

Francis used some of his strongest words yet calling for people to get vaccinated in a speech to ambassadors accredited to the Holy See, an annual event in which he sets out the Vatican's foreign policy goals for the year.

Francis, 85, has generally shied away from speaking about vaccination as a "moral obligation," though his COVID-19 advisors have referred to it as a "moral responsibility." Rather, Francis has termed vaccination as "an act of love" and that refusing to get inoculated was "suicidal."

On Jan. 10, he went a step further, saying that individuals had a responsibility to care for themselves "and this translates into respect for the health of those around us. Health care is a moral obligation," he asserted.

He lamented that, increasingly, ideological divides were discouraging people from getting vaccinated.

"Frequently people let themselves be influenced by the ideology of the moment, often bolstered by baseless information or poorly documented facts," he said, calling for the adoption of a "reality therapy" to correct this distortion.



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"Vaccines are not a magical means of healing, yet surely they represent, in addition to other treatments that need to be developed, the most reasonable solution for the prevention of the disease," he added.

Some Catholics, including some conservative U.S. bishops and cardinals, have claimed that vaccines based on research that used cells derived from aborted fetuses were immoral, and have refused to get the jabs.

The Vatican's doctrine office, however, has said it is "morally acceptable" for Catholics to receive COVID-19 vaccines based on research that used cells derived from aborted fetuses. Francis and Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI have been fully vaccinated with Pfizer-BioNTech shots.

Francis repeated his call for universal access to the shots, particularly in the

parts of the world with low vaccination rates, and called for revisions to patent rules so that poorer countries can develop their own vaccines.

"It is appropriate that institutions such as the World Trade Organization and the World Intellectual Property Organization adapt their legal instruments lest monopolistic rules constitute further obstacles to production and to an organized and consistent access to health care on a global level," he said.

Francis delivered the speech to a much smaller group of diplomats than usual, and skipped the part of the audience that ambassadors relish: a chance to greet him personally and exchange a few words. The restrictions were clearly a response to the exponential rise in coronavirus cases in Italy.

On other topics, Francis lamented

Syria's devastation, calling for "political and constitutional reforms" so the country can be "reborn," and urged that any sanctions avoid targeting civilians. He didn't single Russia out by name but called for "acceptable and lasting solutions" for Ukraine and the southern Caucasus inspired by "reciprocal trust and readiness to engage in calm discussion."

And he also urged more open communications to avoid culture wars, without mentioning gender ideology or other hot-button topics by name.

"(Some attitudes) leave no room for freedom of expression and are now taking the form of the 'cancel culture' invading many circles and public institutions. Under the guise of defending diversity, it ends up cancelling all sense of identity, with the risk of silencing positions," he warned.

SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

Walking with God

By JOHNSON A. BEAVEN III

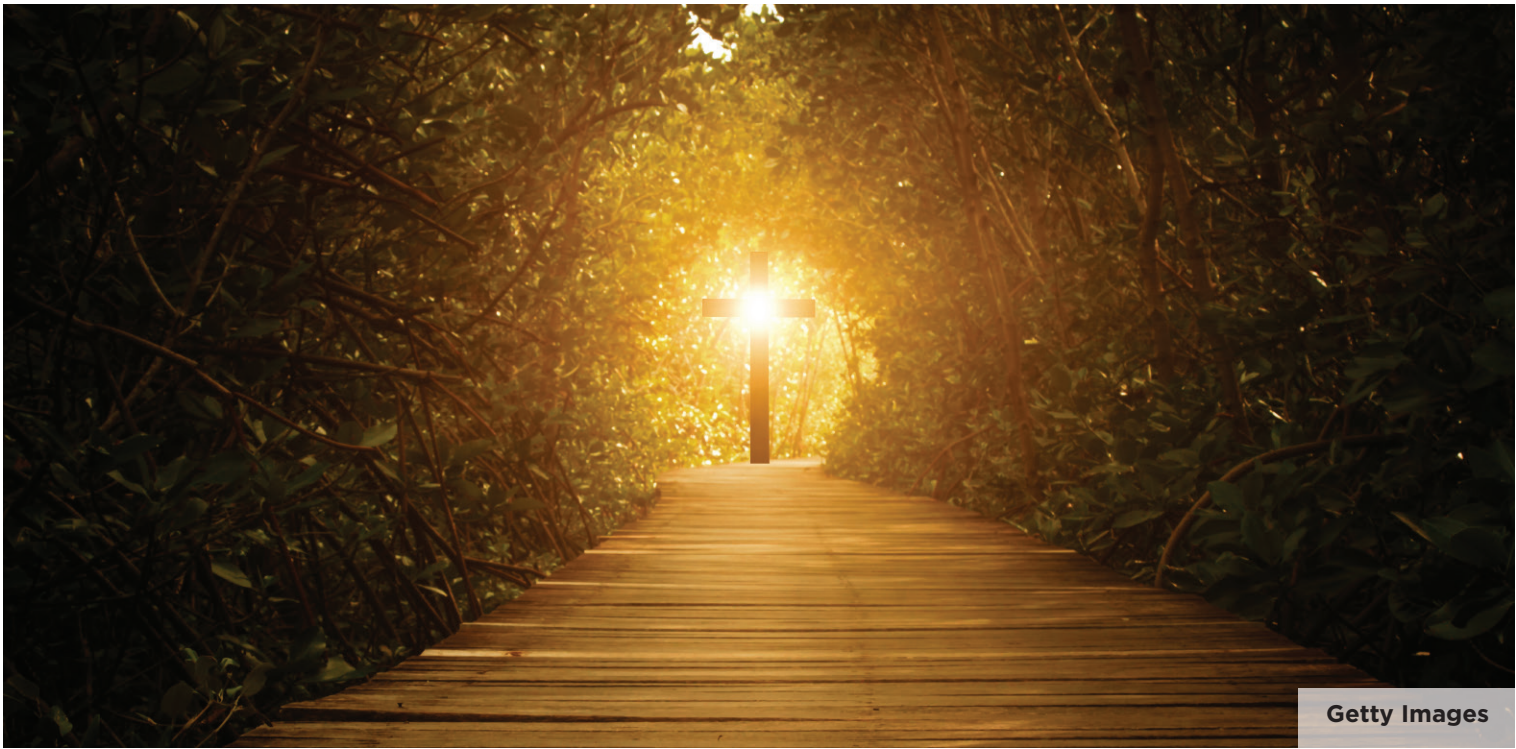


“Enoch walked with God ... Noah walked with God.” Genesis 5:24; Genesis 6:9
In Amos 3:3, God asks *“Can two walk together, except they be agreed?”* Two

people who take a walk first must meet to begin walking together. To walk with someone means being side-by-side; not running ahead or lagging behind but keeping pace with them, moving in the same direction toward an agreed, shared destination.

Walking with God is a choice we make. Walking with God is a delight that we experience by coming into agreement with him — being in right relationship and having fellowship with him. Enoch and Noah are two persons that God took note of in this regard. Let me share what walking with God entails.

Walking with God catches his attention and matters most to him. In Genesis Chap-



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ter 5, we are provided the births, children and deaths of nine persons. There is nothing else noted of them, except for *“Enoch walked with God”* (Gen. 5:22, 24). The interesting thing about Enoch is that he lived the shortest amount of time of all listed: 365 years (Gen. 5:23).

timony that Enoch *“pleased God”* (Hebrews 11:5).

Walking with God entails living within the unknown of faith. Walking with God sometimes means imagining something you’ve never seen or thought about; going somewhere you’ve never been or thought about going; doing something you’ve never done or thought about doing.

Walking with God may thus put demands on our capacity causing us to s-t-r-e-t-c-h our faith. At times that may mean not knowing all the particulars or anything about what God wants us to do. That can be an adventurous thrill for some, or a scary situation for others.

Noah was commissioned to build a ship-sized, unpowered ark. This was something he had no idea about for something he had never heard of, seen or experienced — a flood (Hebrews 11:7). Noah had to enter and live in the ark, an environment he wasn’t accustomed to living in. When Noah exited the ark, he was venturing into a world and an environment that was dif-

ferent from the world he had experienced before entering the ark.

When Abraham was called to leave his family and homeland to go to Canaan land, God didn’t tell him where he was going, just that he would show Abraham. We’re informed that by faith Abraham went, not knowing where he was going (Hebrews 11:8). In walking with God, sometimes he purposely leaves us clueless, yet wants us to trust him with every step.

Walking with God is a choice to obey God regardless.

Obedience is a human response of submitting to God’s authority. It’s often expressed as keeping or doing God’s commands. The basic meaning of it is listening or hearkening one’s ear to the voice of God with the intent to obey (1 Samuel 15:22).

Despite never having seen or never having the need of an ark and never having seen or experienced a flood, Noah meticulously obeyed God’s every command at every step: as to building the ark (Genesis 6:14-16), as to who to take in the ark (Genesis 6:18-21), as to when to enter the ark (Genesis 7:1-5) and when to exit the ark (Genesis 8:15-18).

Just think what Noah and his family would have experienced if he had chosen not to walk with God, and not obeyed him in building the ark.

As you move forward in this year, make a resolute decision to walk with God.

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Reentry program helps budding entrepreneurs create economic opportunities

By MONTEZ WILLIAMS



Giving people a second chance is woven into the fabric of our country. However, as nice as a clean slate sounds, it's often difficult, if not impossible to get a second chance after incarceration.

As a Black man, and a man who was formerly incarcerated, I am intimately aware that injustice comes in multiple forms; some systematically, because of the hardships I faced, and others socially due to the color of my skin. Entrepreneurship was my tool to rising above discrimination and creating my own path to opportunity.

Entrepreneurship may be lonely, but fortunately for me, it was never a path I had to walk alone. In 2016, I received my horticultural degree. I have always thrived on being creative and educating people. That is my niche and my calling. However, when I was released from prison in 2017, I was just trying to figure out a way to get employed. I wasn't the only one.

Around that time, in 2018, the unemployment rate for formerly incarcerated individuals was more than 27%. According to an analysis by the Prison Policy Initiative, that's higher than the total U.S. unemployment rate during any historical period, including the Great Depression. I needed a job that paid a living wage, aligned with my passion for educating people and working outdoors and helped me find fulfillment that would help me change my life's trajectory.

At the time, I had enough money to buy a lawnmower and a weed wacker, and those became the tools to my future. My humble business began when I cut grass on the east side of Indianapolis, but I needed help. I had a vision for the type of work I wanted to be doing and a hope that I could help others, but I had no idea I could create



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a pathway to opportunities through my community. Lucky for me, my current, savvy business manager and grandmother was scrolling the internet and saw an ad for a program that helps formerly incarcerated individuals start their own business. It was the support and community I needed.

Through the Indy Chamber's ReEntry Entrepreneurship Development Initiative (REDi) program, I began to pitch my business and learned the basics of starting a business. One-on-one coaching taught me cash flow, market research, customer relations and exposed me to tools that helped me create, launch and grow my business. Above all else, REDi taught me how to transform my knowledge and passion into a profit.

The REDi program focused on starting a business, but it did more than that; it genuinely felt like training and resources that were tailored to me and my experience. The experience was foundational in my career and life. Entrepreneurship allowed me to rise above the systemic discrimination in the job market. I was given resources

and attention to rise above the stigmas associated with my background to create a path to economic opportunity.

My REDi coaches and community have helped me with everything that makes a business run. I'm lucky enough to have created more than a landscaping company — instead, I've built an organization with a mission.

A.C.E. is not only my nickname but my mission. A Child's Environment is where opportunities, good and bad, present themselves. I want to be that good opportunity, the opportunity that provides money through work in the community, the opportunity to invest time in growing skills and the opportunity to plant seeds and be around to watch them grow.

I was serious about my passion for helping people and leaving my com-

munity better than I found it. If you are serious about what you're doing as an entrepreneur, REDi will help you take advantage of every resource available. Being immersed in an entrepreneurial ecosystem keeps your ideas sharp and pushes you to continuously improve.

If you know your worth to this community and have the desire to prove how valuable you are to the workforce and city, REDi is where you need to be. The next free five-week REDi class will start on Feb. 1. Applications are now open. Visit indychamber.com/redi to learn more and apply. For assistance applying offline, contact Neil Metzger at 317-464-2232.

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT)
SS: PATERNITY DIVISION)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO.: 49C01-0908-JP-039634)
49C01-0607-JP-030396
IN RE THE PATERNITY OF:
ALEXIS KANTNER, MADISYN KANTNER, AMANDA MORRIS, Petitioner, and JARED KANTNER, Respondent.
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

PUBLISHED NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that A Petition to Terminate Parenting Time or in the Alternate Supervised Parenting Time was filed by Respondent Jared Kantner in the Marion Circuit Court on November 11, 2020. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing scheduled on said petition scheduled February 22, 2022, at 11:30 a.m., and to file objections.

Hearing may be held in person or remotely. The Court will advise.

The following manner of service of Summons is hereby designated: BY PUBLICATION, TO BE PUBLISHED BY THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE WEEKLY PUBLICATIONS IN THE INDIANAPOLIS RECORDER.

Respectfully submitted, PRITZKE & DAVIS, LLP. Dated: January 4, 2022
BY: /s/ Edward L. Walter
Edward L. Walter
Party Seeking Service: Edward L. Walter, Attorney PRITZKE & DAVIS, LLP, 728 North State Street, Greenwood, Indiana 46140 (317) 462-3434 (317) 462-3494 (fax) 5320-935392

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO.: 49C01-2112-MI-042327)
49C01-2112-MI-042326
IN RE THE CHANGE OF NAMES OF MINORS:
DJ ANDREW JOHN, MEKO ANDREW JOHN, MINORS
PRINCESS BANDARDS PETITIONER.
NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, as a self represented litigant, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change name from DJ Andrew John to DJ Bandards and Meko Andrew John to Meko Bandards. The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on March 29, 2022, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. This hearing will be in the Marion County Circuit Court, 200 E. Washington Street, City County Building, Room W506, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. This hearing will be held remotely by WebEx. A separate WebEx invitation will be sent with instructions to joining the hearing.

Date: So Ordered: December 29, 2021
Clerk of Marion Circuit Court
Judicial Officer Distribution: P e t i t i o n e r 5320-935651

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SUMMONS-SERVICE BY PUBLICATION) STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT)
SS:)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2112-PL-039925)

Jeff Lawson Plaintiff v.

Chase & Lawson Property Management; Neil L. Cowen; Heirs of Mary Lou Cowen; Donald Chase; unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, heirs, devisees, successors, assigns, and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest in the Real Estate by, or through them, or any other person or entity, names of all of whom are unknown to the Plaintiff

Defendants
NOTICE OF SUIT
To the defendants named below herein, and any other person who may be concerned.

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

The purpose of this proceeding is to quiet the title to real estate legally described as follows:
Lot Numbered 42 in German Park Addition, to the City of Indianapolis, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 15, page 91, in the Office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

Real Estate is commonly known as: 2023 Gent Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46202;
Property I.D. No. 49-06-34-107-046.000-101 (hereafter "Real Estate").

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following defendants who may claim some interest in the Real Estate and whose whereabouts are not known with certainty: Chase & Lawson Property Management; Neil L. Cowen; Heirs of Mary Lou Cowen; Donald Chase; unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, heirs, devisees, successors, assigns, and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest in the Real Estate by, or through them, or any other person or entity, names of all of whom are unknown to the Plaintiff

You must respond to this summons by publication, by you or your attorney, on or before thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit has been published. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you.

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Marion County Circuit Court
John B. Flatt, Attorney

Number 20883-45
Attorney for Plaintiff NELSON & FRANKENBERGER, LLC
550 Congressional Boulevard, Suite 210
Carmel, Indiana 46032
Telephone: (317) 844-0106
5320-935505

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO.: 49C01-2112-PL-042515)
JOSE A. ANGEL NUNEZ Plaintiff, v.

NICHOLAS A. CAROTHERS, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES, and STATE OF INDIANA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
and unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, surviving spouses, heirs, legatees, devisees, grantees, children, descendants, mortgagees, creditors, administrators, executors, trustees, receivers, guardians, successors, assigns, if deceased, of all persons above named, all persons, associations, partnerships, partners, trustees, assigns, representatives, successors, corporations, or claimants, who assert any title to claim upon or interest in the real estate herein described, all women once known by any of the names or designations above stated, whose names may have been changed and the names of all the spouses of persons above named; described and designated as defendants to this action who are married and whose names are unknown to Plaintiffs, Defendants.

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:

Complaint to Quiet Title to the following Real Estate in Marion County, Indiana, to-wit:

LOT NUMBERED FOUR (4) IN BLOCK THREE (3) IN C.A. OWEN'S PARK GROVE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, THE PLAT OF WHICH IS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGE 15, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.

Commonly known as: 1315 Edgemont Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46208

To the following Defendants whose whereabouts are not known: NICHOLAS A. CAROTHERS, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES, and STATE OF INDIANA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE and The unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, surviving spouses, heirs, legatees, devisees, grantees, children, descendants, mortgagees, creditors, administrators, executors, trustees, receivers, guardians, successors, assigns, if deceased, of all persons above named, all persons, associations, partnerships, partners, trustees, assigns, representatives, successors, corporations, or claimants, who assert any title to claim upon or interest in the real estate herein described, all women once known by any of the names or designations above stated, whose names may have been changed and the names of all the spouses of persons above named; described and designated as defendants to this action who are married and whose names are unknown to Plaintiff. In addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit.

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, 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.
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. By: /s/ Matthew S. Love
MATTHEW S. LOVE
Attorney No. 18762-29
Attorney for Plaintiff
MATTHEW S. LOVE
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. 8415 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46250
(317) 237-2727
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SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION) STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO.: 49D03-2112-MF-041177)

NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff
-vs-
JUVENAL T. SERRANO Defendant(s)
NOTICE OF SUIT
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 the foreclosure of a mortgage upon the property legally described as follows:

Lot Numbered 36 in Ritter Park Revived, an addition to the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 28, page 166 in the Office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana

Commonly known as: 5349 E 20th St, Indianapolis, IN 46218

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Juvenal T. Serrano

In addition, to the above named defendants being served by this summons, there may be other defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

An answer or other appropriate response in writing to the Complaint must be filed either by you or your attorney with the Clerk of the Court for Marion County at:
Marion County Clerk
200 East Washington Street
St. W122
Indianapolis, IN 46204
on or before the 27th day of February, 2022, (the same being thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so, a judgment may be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

Philip A. Norman, P.C.
Philip A. Norman #13734-64

Attorney for Plaintiff
Philip A. Norman, P.C.
2110 Calumet Avenue
Valparaiso, IN 46383

Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate

Against the property commonly known as 2249 N Raceway Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46234-9628 and described as follows:

Parcel I : Land being part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 16 North, Range 2 East, in Marion County, Indiana, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of the aforementioned Southwest Quarter; running thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on and along the centerline of County Line Road, a distance of 900.00 feet to the point of beginning of the real estate described herein; running thence from said point of beginning North 89 degrees 57 minutes 28 seconds East parallel with the South line of said Quarter-Section a distance of 200.00 feet; running thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West parallel with the centerline of County Line Road a distance of 100.000; running thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 28 seconds West parallel with said South line a distance of 200.000 feet to a point in the centerline of said West line; running thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on and along said centerline a distance of 100.000 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel II: Land being part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 16 North, Range 2 East, in Marion County, Indiana, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the aforementioned Southwest Quarter; running thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on and along the centerline of County Line Road, a distance of 800.000 feet to the point of beginning of the real estate described herein; running thence from said Quarter-Section a distance of 200.000 feet; running thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West parallel with the centerline of County Line Road distance of 100.000; running thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 28 seconds West parallel with said South line a distance of 200.000 feet to a point in the centerline of said West line; running thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on and along said centerline a distance of 100.000 feet to the point of beginning.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s): United States of America Department of Housing and Urban Development, LVNV Funding LLC and PNC Bank, National Association.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s)

whose whereabouts are unknown: David B. Clow.
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.

FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. By: /s/ Matthew S. Love
MATTHEW S. LOVE
Attorney No. 18762-29
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SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION) STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)
SS:)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO.: 49D13-2112-PL-042978)

MOUNTAIN GOAT PROPERTIES, LLC Plaintiff, v.

LILIA BARRANCO MARQUEZ, KARINA GUDALUPE ROGERS Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to Defendants, Lilia Barranco Marquez and Karina Guadalupe Rogers:

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

The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint for Cancellation of Land Contract, Immediate Possession of Real Estate and Damages.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Defendants, whose last known address was 2447 Asbury St., Indianapolis, IN 46203, that is the subject of this proceeding, and whose whereabouts are unknown to Plaintiff:

• Lilia Barranco Marquez
• Karina Guadalupe Rogers
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 27th day of February, 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.

/s/ Grover B. Davis
Grover B. Davis
Attorney for Plaintiff
ATTEST:
1/31/2022
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court
200 East Washington Street
Room No. T-1441
Indianapolis, IN 46204
P h o n e N u m b e r: (3 1 7) 3 2 7 - 4 1 6 0
5320-935299

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: PROBATED DIVISION, ROOM 14)
COUNTY OF MARION)
ADDITIONAL DOCKET: 49D14-2110-AD-035561)

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF:

THEO AARON RHEA WELLS, A MALE CHILD
NOTICE TO UNNAMED FATHER

The unnamed putative father of the child born to Amanda Marie Wells on 10-20-2021 (Theo Aaron Rhea) or the person who claims to be the father of the child born to Amanda Marie Wells on 10-20-2021 (Theo Aaron Rhea), is notified that a petition for adoption of the child was filed on October 22, 2021, in the office of the

Telephone: 219-462-5104
20-00579
ATTEST:
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
5320-935626

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)
SS:)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D08-2105-ES-017525)

In Re: The Estate of Damon L. Collins

This case is set for Hearing on Petition for Permission to Transfer Property on 2/7/2022 at 9:20 a.m. in the Marion Superior Court 8. The hearing will be conducted remotely via WebEx. A separate e-mail invitation to the hearing will be sent.

So Ordered on this, the 29th day of December, 2021.
/s/ Melanie Kendrick
Magistrate Melanie Kendrick
Marion Superior Court 8
CC: Damon L. Collins
Lakneisha R. Collins
Jada Collins
Judah Collins
Damon Collins
Dajuan Collins
Lisa Marie Dillman

For instructions on how to participate in the remote hearing, contact Probate Court at (317) 327-5063.
5320-935318

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION) IN SUPERIOR COURT) OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, PROBATE DIVISION) IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF) BARBARA JOAN PEDERSEN, deceased) ESTATE NO. 49D08-2112-EU-042900)

Notice is hereby given that Jeffrey Thomas Pedersen was, on December 29, 2021, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Barbara Joan Pedersen, deceased, who died on the 8th day of December, 2021.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, on December 29, 2021.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
FOR MARION COUNTY, INDIANA
Attorney for the Estate: Roger L. Burrus, #3986-06
BURRUS & SEASE LLP
410 W. Oak Street
Zionsville, IN 46077
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ATTEST:
Clerk, Marion Superior Court
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/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
FOR MARION COUNTY, INDIANA
Attorney for the Estate: Roger L. Burrus, #3986-06
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SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT)
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D15-2201-DC-000097)

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

MARIO A. SORTO MEJIAS, Petitioner/Husband, and YACKELYN SORTO, Respondent/Husband.
To Respondent: Yackelyn Sorto

This Summons is to the above-named Respondent, and to any other person who may be concerned.

You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Marion County Indiana Superior Court in an action entitled: In Re The Marriage of Mario A. Sorto Mejias and Yackelyn Sorto by the person named above as Petitioner. This summons by publication is specifically directed to the Respondent above whose current address and whereabouts are unknown.

The named Petitioner is represented by Vanessa Lopez Aguilera, LOPEZ LAW OFFICE,
P.C., 3502 North Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN 46208. Telephone: (317) 634-9484.

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

An answer or other response in writing to the petition must be filed either by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days after the third notice of suit, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief requested by the Petitioner. If you have a claim for relief against the Petitioner arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert in your written answer or response.

Dated: 5/24/2021
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Myla Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County
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Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo)
Board of Director's Meeting Dates for 2022

The Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation, IndyGo, will hold the 2022 Public Board Meetings at the offices of the Corporation, located at 1501 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46222 at 5:00 p.m. on the following dates:

Board Meeting Dates
YEAR 2022
Thursday, January 27th
Thursday, February 24th
Thursday, March 24th
Thursday, April 28th
Thursday, May 26th
Thursday, June 23rd
Thursday, July 28th
Budget 2023 Introduced

Thursday, August 11th
Public Hearing for Budget 2023

Thursday, August 25th
Final Adoption of Budget 2023
Thursday, September 22nd
Thursday, October 27th
Thursday, November 17th
Thursday, December 15th

In addition to the announcement of the above public board meeting dates, this is also to notify the public of a possible executive session that may be held one (1) hour prior to the time of the board meeting, if applicable. The Executive Session will be held Per IC 5-14-1.5.6.(b)(21 (Al) and (B) & IC 5-14-1.5.6-1 (b) (9).

Secretary, IPTC
Board of Directors
5320-935386

01/14/22

Clerk of Marion County Superior Courts, Probate Division, Room 14, 200 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

If the unnamed putative father wishes to contest the adoption of the child, the unnamed putative father must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC §31-19-10-1 in the above named court or a paternity action under IC §31-14 within thirty (30) days after service of this notice. This notice may be served by publication.

If the unnamed putative father does not file a motion to contest the adoption or a paternity action under IC §31-14 within thirty (30) days after service of this notice; or after filing a paternity action under IC §31-14 fails to establish paternity within a reasonable period as determined by the paternity court under IC §31-14-21-9 through IC §31-14-21-11, the above named court shall hear and determine the petition for adoption. The unnamed putative father's consent is irrevocably implied and the unnamed putative father loses the right to contest the adoption or the validity of the unnamed putative father's implied consent to the adoption. The unnamed putative father loses the right to establish paternity of the child under IC §31-14.

Nothing Amanda Marie Wells or anyone else says to the unnamed putative father relieves the unnamed putative father of his obligations under this notice.

Under Indiana law, a putative father is a person who is named as or claims that he may be the father of a child born out of wedlock but who has not yet been legally proven to be the child's father.

This notice complies with IC §31-19-4-4 but does not exhaustively set forth the unnamed putative father's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. A person being served with this notice should consult the Indiana adoption statutes.

In accordance with Indiana Code Section 5-16

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ment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.

Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-49)

Amanda L. Krenson (28999-61)

David W. Cliffe (36402-15) Attorneys for Plaintiff

Reisenfeld & Associates LLC

3962 Red Bank Road Cincinnati, OH 45227

Voice: 1-513-322-7000

Facsimile: (513) 322-7099

11/10/2021

ATTTEST:

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge

Clerk of the Marion County Circuit/Superior Court

5320-935177

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION COUTY SUPERIOR COURT 8) PROBATE DIVISION COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49D08-2112-EU-041799

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION

OF THE ESTATE OF DOUGLAS A. JOHNSON, DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Tricia Hist and Mary Ellen Johnson were, on December 17, 2021, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Douglas A. Johnson, Deceased, who died on December 8, 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 December 17, 2021.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge

Clerk, Marion County Superior Court 8

Cara M. Chittenden

Disc. No. 27059-49

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Attention all XBE Certified Construction Contractors!

Description: Opportunity to bid an upcoming multifamily project in the Indianapolis area. Scope of work – site work and building interior/exterior, additional information will be provided at time of meeting. Digital construction prints will be provided to all attendees. Location of meeting Peppermill Farms Leasing Center – 6830 Mill View Dr. Indianapolis, IN 464226. Meeting date 1/21/21 @ 2pm and 4pm. Please contact Anthony Torres for any additional information at Atorres@crgresidential.com. 5320-935225

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MDK # 21-020405

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT #4) SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D04-2112-MF-041512

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company

Plaintiff,

vs.

The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose, et al.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose:

BE IT KNOWN, that Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, 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 Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose, 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, The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Jean B. Rose AKA Jean Rose, 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:

Unit 211, Building -- Section 19, in Castleton Farms, Horizontal Property Regime, created by a declaration, and plat recorded August 28, 1981, as Instrument nos. 81-55352 and 81-55353, and amended by First Amendment to the declaration recorded September 3, 1981, as Instrument No. 81-56369, further amended by Second Amendment to the declaration recorded November 6, 1981, as Instrument No. 81-69119, further amended by Third Amendment to the declaration recorded February 18, 1982 as Instrument No. 82-7920, further amended by Fourth Amendment to the declaration recorded July 14, 1982 as Instrument No. 82-37477, further amended by Fifth Amendment to the declaration recorded November 15, 1982 as Instrument No. 82-63978, further amended by the Sixth Amendment to the declaration recorded December 30, 1982 as Instrument No. 82-73643,

and further amended by the Seventh Amendment to the declaration recorded March 7, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-14773, as corrected by Certificate of Correction recorded March 22, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-17940, and further amended by the Eighth Amendment to the declaration recorded May 9, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-30205, and further amended by the amended Eighth Amendment to the declaration recorded May 12, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-33778, and further amended by the Second Amended Eighth Amendment to the declaration recorded May 20, 1983 as Instrument No. 83-34128, and further amended by the Ninth Amendment to the declaration recorded May 27, 1983 as Instrument No. 83-36177, and further amended by the Tenth Amendment to the declaration recorded July 14, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-49236, and further amended by the Eleventh Amendment to the declaration recorded August 17, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-58702, and further amended by the Certificate of Correction to the Eleventh Amendment to the declaration recorded September 15, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-67440, and further amended by the Twelfth Amendment to the declaration, recorded August 31, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-63082, and further amended by the amended Twelfth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded September 12, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-66251, and further amended by the Thirteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded September 12, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-66295, and further amended by the Fourteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded December 9, 1983, as Instrument No. 83-90301, and further amended by Fifteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded January 17, 1983, as Instrument No. 84-3373, and further amended by Sixteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded January 17, 1984, as Instrument No. 84-3375, and further amended by Seventeenth Amendment to the Declaration recorded April 23, 1984, as Instrument No. 84-29153, and further amended by the Amended Seventeenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded April 26, 1984, as Instrument No. 84-30209, and further amended by the Eighteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded May 9, 1984 as Instrument No. 84-33871, and further amended by the Certificate of Correction to the Eighteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded June 14, 1984, as Instrument no. 84-44941, and further amended by the Nineteenth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded May 29, 1984, as Instrument No. 84-39354, and further amended by the Twentieth Amendment to the Declaration, recorded July 3, 1984, as Instrument No. 84-50923, in the Office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana, to be used exclusively as a residential unit.

Together with .3521 percent undivided interest pertaining to such dwelling unit in the common areas and facilities in Section 19 of Castleton Farms Horizontal Property Regime Unit such times as Supplemental Declaration for additional Phases are recorded, annexing additional Phase to Castleton Farms Horizontal Property Regime, the grantees undivided percentage interest in the Common Areas and Facilities of Castleton Farms shall be reduced in accordance with the formula contained in the Declaration and the balance of such Percentage Interest shall revert to the Grantor, its successors and assigns.

commonly known as 7553 Farm View Circle West, Indianapolis, IN 46256.

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 #4

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12/31/21, 01/07/22, 01/14/22

STATE OF INDIANA) MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT) SS: CIVIL DIVISION, ROOM NO. 10) COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D10-2109-GU-029644

IN RE THE GUARDIANSHIP OF:

BILLIE MAE-RAECHELLE BOWMAN, A Minor.

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AND HEARING THEREON

TO: Jenny Kay Russell

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Guardianship has been filed by Virginia Goldsberry in the Marion County Superior Court under Cause Number 49D10-2109-GU-029644. On April 18, 2022, at 11:00 A.M., in the Superior Court of Marion County, Indianapolis, Indiana, a hearing will be held to determine whether a Guardian should be appointed for Billie Mae-Raechelle Bowman.

That the attorney representing Virginia Goldsberry is Michael Langlois, SHOUSE & LANGLOIS, 9510 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46229, telephone number 317-899-3500.

That if you object to the Guardianship or wish to be heard by the Court prior to the guardianship hearing granted, you must respond within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published, by filing appropriate

paperwork with the Marion County Superior Court under Cause No. 49D10-2109-GU-029644. Your failure to do so may result in the Petition being granted. The Court may on its own Motion or on request of any interested person, postpone the hearing to another date and time.

/s/Michael Langlois

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT) SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO. 49D12-2001-MF-001556

BMO HARRISBANK, N.A.

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF CONSTANCE J. MILLER AKA CONSTANCE MILLER

AKA CONNIE MILLER, ARCADIA RECOVERY BUREAU, LLC, FKA ACCOUNTS RECOVERY BUREAU, INC., MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC AND UNKNOWN OCCUPANT

Defendants.

FILE NO. 21-000456

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the defendants named above and any other person or persons who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court named above. The nature of the suit against you is: Foreclosure of real estate mortgage on: 55 feet by parallel lines off the entire South side of Lot Numbered 223 in Arlington Manor, Second Section, an Addition to the City of Indianapolis, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 24, page 154, in the Office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose whereabouts are known: ARCADIA RECOVERY BUREAU, LLC FKA ACCOUNTS RECOVERY BUREAU, MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC AND UNKNOWN OCCUPANT

and to the following defendant whose whereabouts are unknown: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF CONSTANCE J. MILLER AKA CONSTANCE MILLER AKA CONNIE MILLER

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 of occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the third Notice of Suit is published, and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

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By: /s/ Elyssa M. Meade

ELYSSA M. MEADE, Attorney for Plaintiff

ATTTEST: /s/ Myla A. Eldridge

Clerk of the Marion Superior Court

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THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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The Passage Project 50 Shelby Street

The Passage project is a four-story, 38-unit apartment building located at 50 Shelby Street, Indpls, IN, 46202. The building is four stories of wood construction with limited structural steel to support the second floor. The first floor includes residential apartment units, leasing, amenities, and a tenant space. Floors 2-4 include residential apartment units, totaling 38 units for the building. The exterior facade consists of masonry, cementitious siding, metal siding, vinyl windows, storefront, and associated trim features. This scope also includes 1 dumpster enclosure, onsite surface parking and all other miscellaneous improvements including all roads, utilities, and other site features within the project limits in Indianapolis, Indiana. Project is TAXABLE. Project is NOT subject to prevailing wages.

It is the goal of the owner, Englewood CDC, and CRG to work with the MBE/WBE/VBE/DOBE and Section 3 community and open up the opportunity to be a part of this project.

There will be a pre-bid meeting at 8:30 a.m. on January 10th, 2022, at 57 N Rural Street, Indpls, IN, 46201. There will also be a VIRTUAL pre-bid meeting at 2:00 p.m. on January 10th, 2022. The link to join this meeting is: <https://meet.google.com/tyo-qxej-qvgo>

All RFIs need emailed by 10:00 AM on January 13th, 2022. All bids should include allowances for assumptions as needed to be made for complete turnkey. Signed Bid Forms are a requirement to be considered. Please discuss with your firm if a registered Section 3 business.

BIDS ARE DUE JANUARY 24TH AT NOON EST TO CRG RESIDENTIAL.

If you have any questions or for access to the bid documents, contact Crystal Adams via phone at (317) 626-2904 or email at cad-

ams@crgresidential.com

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Indiana's Finest Wrecker will be having an auction/public sale on January 24th, 2022 at 8AM.

7576 W Washington St Indianapolis, IN 46231

List of vehicles to be included in the sale:

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2006	CHRYSLER	3A4FY48B86T215468	\$1,500.00
2000	TOYOTA	4T1BG22K7YU991356	\$1,500.00
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Georgia wins first title since 1980 with cathartic win over Alabama

By TYLER FENWICK
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That long wait is finally over. The Georgia Bulldogs, 41 years removed from their last national championship, rose to the top again with a 33-18 win over Alabama in the College Football Playoff national championship Jan. 10 at Lucas Oil Stadium.

The images that will show up in Georgia (14-1, No. 3 seed) lore for years to come are obvious: cornerback Kelee Ringo racing 79 yards down the sideline for a game-sealing pick-six late in the fourth quarter, and before that quarterback Stetson Bennett finding receiver Adonai Mitchell for a 40-yard go-ahead touchdown.

But those moments couldn't mean anything without Georgia's defense avenging itself against an Alabama team that racked up 536 yards and 41 points against it a month ago in the SEC title game.

This time around, the Crimson Tide (13-2, No. 1 seed) managed just 4.7 yards per play and 30 rushing yards. Most importantly, the Bulldogs held Alabama to one touchdown in four red zone trips, including a fourth-quarter stand inside the 5-yard line, and created two turnovers — both second-half interceptions by Heisman quarterback Bryce Young.

"We talked about putting it on our shoulders and it being on us," All-American linebacker Nakobe Dean said. "We knew when we took the lead, we knew that if they don't score no more, they don't win. That's the only thing that was going through our mind."

The first 15 points of the game came from field goals as Georgia spent most of the first half struggling to find a rhythm because of penalties (seven for

49 yards in the first half) and Alabama couldn't finish its drives with touchdowns. Georgia led 9-6 at halftime.

Georgia created some of its own good fortune on special teams by blocking an Alabama field goal in the third quarter that would have extended the Tide's lead.

The Bulldogs found the end zone first late in the third quarter on a one-yard rush from running back Zamir White, who finished with 84 yards on 13 carries.

Alabama answered with another field goal to cut Georgia's lead to 13-12. The Tide caught a break on Georgia's next drive with an odd fumble recovery deep in Bulldogs territory on a play that initially looked like an incomplete pass from Bennett.

Alabama turned the ensuing drive into its only touchdown of the night, a three-yard dart Young threw across his body to tight end Cameron Latu.

Georgia claimed the game's final three scores, all touchdowns, including Mitchell's 40-yard grab and a 15-yard score from tight end Brock Bowers to stretch the lead to 26-18 with about 3:30 to play. Ringo's pick-six was the exclamation point.

"When that ball was in the air," head coach Kirby Smart said, "I said, 'He's going to catch this thing and we're going to win this game, and he did.'"

For Bennett, his national championship performance was analogous to a career that's taken time to develop and hasn't boasted many believers until recently.

The first completion for the former walk-on came with 2:20 to play in the first quarter. Alabama's defense, led by All-American linebacker Will Anderson Jr., rarely gave Bennett enough time in the pocket to make a play.



Georgia wide receiver Justin Robinson (9) celebrates with the crowd during the Bulldogs' 33-18 win over Alabama in the College Football Playoff national championship Jan. 10, 2022, at Lucas Oil Stadium. (Photo/David Dixon)

The Bulldogs' offense opened up late in the first quarter when wide receiver George Pickens made a 52-yard diving reception for his only catch of the game.

Bennett finished 17 of 26 for 224 yards and two touchdowns.

"It hadn't hit me yet," he said when asked what it's like to bring joy to a fan base starved for a national championship. "I guess it hit me a little bit on the sideline. But no, I can't articulate it. I'm not that smart."

Alabama struggled to create explosive plays; Young was 4 for 14 on throws more than 15 yards downfield.

The vertical passing game took a hit after wide receiver Jameson Williams left the game with an apparent knee injury following a 40-yard catch in the second quarter.

Georgia's defense had four sacks and kept Young uncomfortable and on the run most of the night. He finished 35 of

57 for 369 yards with a touchdown and two interceptions. That ties the most passing attempts in a championship game in the CFP era and is one shy of the completions record.

It was clear Young felt the weight of Alabama's season hanging on him as he got more and more greedy looking downfield in the fourth quarter. Whether the throw was accurate or not, the Bulldogs' secondary kept making plays and ended with eight passes broken up.

Young said after the game he felt like he let his team down.

"We had a lot of opportunities, moved the ball relatively well," he said. "We did some stuff well. We didn't execute. And at the end of the day, that's on me."

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Dawgs win it all in Indy



Alabama offensive lineman Emil Ekiyor Jr. (Cathedral grad) blocks Georgia defensive lineman Jordan Davis.



Georgia players celebrated with the 35-pound trophy.



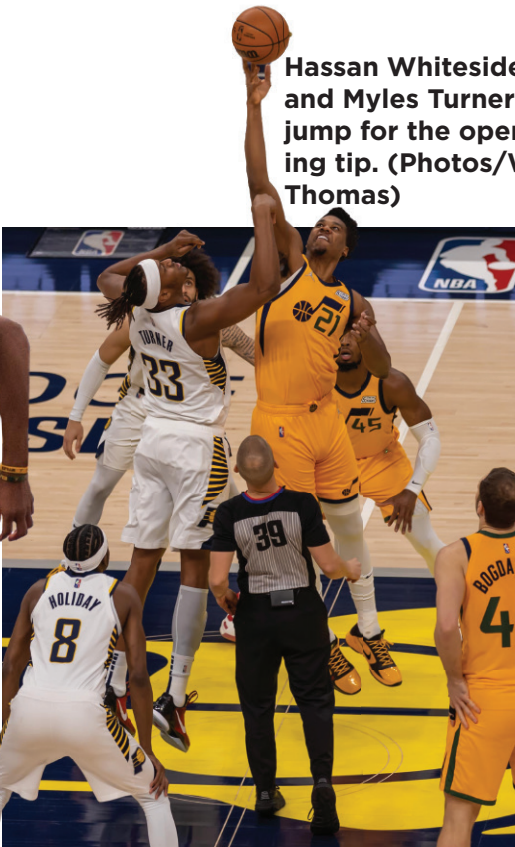
Bulldogs quarterback Stetson Bennett hands the ball off. (Photos/David Dixon)

Pacers down Jazz behind Stephenson's big night



Boomer waves the Pacers flag.

Lawrence North grad Mike Conley scored 9 points in his hometown.



Hassan Whiteside and Myles Turner jump for the opening tip. (Photos/Walt Thomas)



Lance Stephenson got a roar from the crowd as he had a double-double with 16 points and 14 assists.