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St. Mary's students enjoy new playground equipment and fun after blessing

St. Mary Catholic Community School's campus was filled last week with joy and excitement. St. Mary's students anxiously waited for the first opportunity to play on their brand-new playground. On the beautiful sunny morning, second grade and third grade students surrounded the perimeter of the playground for a ribbon cutting and a blessing done by St. Mary's Pastor, Father Kevin Huber.

This project has been in the works for over a year. It was kept top-secret for a long period of time. Assistant Principal, Mrs. Bea Kozlowski wrote a grant last summer in hopes of being able to provide the students

with more fun and joy. Over the summer the school administration posted a groundbreaking photo that was able to hint for the new addition to the school.

The joy, laughs, and smiles made for such a beautiful and blessed Friday morning. Principal Tom Ruiz said, "One of our 2nd graders came up and thanked me and told me this was the best day of her life! It made me happy that we were able to provide this new playground and we're already looking forward to much bigger projects in the near future."

St. Mary Catholic Community School offers Junior Pre-Kindergarten (for three-year-olds) and Pre-



The first graders thoroughly enjoyed their first recess on St. Mary's new playground.

Kindergarten (for four-year-olds) through grade 8. St. Mary's faculty teaches a rich



The monkey bars were a very popular feature on St. Mary's new playground. Duke LaMere shows off his skills.

curriculum supported by a good balance of faith, play, learning, and supplemental



Liam Kozlowski paused his climbing for a quick photo opportunity.

experiences. To learn more about St. Mary's School, visit www.stmarycp.org/school or



Father Kevin Huber blessed St. Mary's playground prior to the students testing it out.

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Career scholarships can open doors for Hoosier high school students; deadline to apply is October 1

State Reps. Julie Olthoff (R-Crown Point) and Hal Slager (R-Schererville) encourage local high school students who want to pursue work-based learning and credentials outside the classroom to apply for the state's newly launched Career Scholarship Account program.

Olthoff said Hoosier students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades at a state accredited public or private school can receive up to \$5,000 to access qualified training oppor-

tunities. About 1,000 spots are available for the 2023-24 school year and students can apply for a Career Scholarship Account until the October 1 deadline.

"By removing financial barriers to hands-on, work-based learning experiences and training, our Indiana students can learn more about possible career paths and expand their skills," Olthoff said. "We're excited to launch this program to setup more students for success after

graduation."

Career Scholarship Accounts are available to high school students who are enrolled in a course or educational experience approved by the Indiana Department of Education. Eligible students may also be enrolled in an apprenticeship, applied learning experience, work-based learning and/or credential attainment experience approved by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education.

Approved students will

receive \$5,000 over four disbursements and can use the money toward certain qualified expenses:

- Expenses to enroll in and attend sequences, courses, apprenticeships, or programs of study;
- Career coaching and navigation services;
- Postsecondary education and training;
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proved by the Treasurer of the State.

Approved courses and classes, which are listed on the online application, can be in accounting, cybersecurity, information technology, software development, veterinary science and more.

The State Board of Education is also reviewing high school diploma requirements to provide more flexibility in a student's schedule, so they can pursue work-based learning and appren-

ticeship experiences.

"With flexibility and work-based opportunities, students can kickstart their after-school plans," Slager said. "Applications are closing soon, so all high school students looking to figure out their next steps should consider applying for this new program."

For more information, visit www.in.gov/tos/csa, email CSA@tos.in.gov, or call 317-232-0723.

Upgraded TV antenna ushers in new era for NWI public broadcasting

Lakeshore Public Media announced it has completed the installation of a new high-definition television antenna that will ensure a stronger and more reliable Lakeshore PBS broadcast for viewers across Northwest Indiana and Chicagoland. This new antenna is designed to meet the latest over-the-air broadcast standard – ATSC 3.0 – and will also add substantial vertical polarization to improve indoor reception of both 1.0 and 3.0 broadcast services.

"Now that the WYIN tv antenna project is complete, it is time to re-scan your TVs for great over the air reception. An engineer once told me that most TV issues can be solved by the practice of 're-scanning early and often.' With this new scan you will get the best

signal to your TV set from Lakeshore Public Media," Chuck Roberts, President and CEO of Lakeshore Public Media, said. "Thank you for everyone bearing with us as we made the jump to this ATSC3.0 antenna. This will be an investment in our community that will help our viewers receive a stronger signal and spread the news, entertainment, and educational resources Northwest Indiana has come to rely on, for years to come."

These upgrades reflect Lakeshore Public Media's commitment to staying at the forefront of technology in order to provide its audiences with the highest quality public broadcasting. Earlier this year, the Northwest Indiana-based station installed a new radio antenna that enhanced and ex-

panded its over-the-air broadcast on 89.1FM.

Lakeshore also conducted a major overhaul of its website over the summer, and continues to expand into digital streaming services such as YouTube TV, Hulu Live, TuneIn, Apple Music and more. The station plans to announce the development of a Lakeshore Public Media app available on mobile devices and Amazon Fire Tablets later this fall.

"It's truly an exciting time for Lakeshore staff who have been working so hard to make this new antenna a reality," Carl Kurek, Lakeshore's Vice President of Development, said. "We have made sure our broadcast is available on the growing number of digital platforms like YouTube



TV and Hulu Live, but it is equally important that we also continue to improve the accessibility to over-the-air viewers across the Region including those who will now be able to discover the Lakeshore PBS broadcast in their channel line-up for the first time."

Lakeshore Public Media extends its gratitude to the community for their continued support, as well as foundations and



organizations that have been longtime supporters of the station's mission such as the John W. Anderson Foundation, Legacy Foundation, Strack & Van Til, Purdue University Northwest, and NIPSCO.

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and engage minds by providing trusted, relevant content through television, radio, and digital platforms, Lakeshore Public Media is committed to delivering high-quality programming that informs, inspires, and educates audiences of all ages. For more information, visit www.lakeshorepublicmedia.org.

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Ivy Tech partners with Opportunity Enterprises; offers certificate program

Ivy Tech Community College recently announced new program launch with Opportunity Enterprises as the groups unveil new training in light industrial work through OE's Vocational Training and Empowerment Center (VTEC). The program will create the opportunity for all qualifying individuals to experience a true post-secondary experience. Upon completion, students will receive an Ivy Tech certificate in Basic Production Principles.

Ivy Tech will host Indiana State Lieutenant Governor, Suzanne Crouch as the program is formally unveiled September 28, 2023 at 4pm CT on the Ivy Tech Valparaiso Campus, located at 3100 Ivy Tech Drive, Valparaiso, IN

46383. Event will feature brief keynote remarks, and light refreshments.

The joint partnership results as a culmination of efforts and comes at a time when employers continue struggling to find qualified workers in the industry. To prepare individuals to enter the workforce VTEC incorporates specialized teaching styles which accommodates those with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the fields of electronics recycling and refurbishment, custodial services and light industrial work.

"For us at Ivy Tech, this is an incredible new opportunity. We are thrilled by this new program as it showcases in real time our commitment to fulfilling needs for the com-

munities in which we serve. Ivy Tech is here to help both those seeking work and our local employers throughout Northwest Indiana," said Campus Chancellor Aco Sikoski.

The VTEC program will run for twelve weeks beginning in October and teach students advanced job skills in an environment that is inclusive and supportive. Training uses course materials and hands-on skills labs for students to develop the technical, professional and social skills needed for success. To learn more about the program or register, visit www.vteclearning.org.

"As more light industrial jobs continue to be created in our region, this partnership brings extreme value

to Northwest Indiana. The VTEC/Ivy Tech partnership will support and encourage those of all abilities to advance their education and secure jobs in fields which are in high-demand," said Opportunity Enterprises CEO Neil Samahon.

For those interested in learning more about current Ivy Tech Community College workforce program offerings contact Patti Shields at pshields13@ivytech.edu.

Ivy Tech Community College is Indiana's largest public postsecondary institution and the nation's largest singly accredited statewide community college system, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Ivy Tech has campuses throughout Indiana and also serves

thousands of students annually online. It serves as the state's engine of workforce development, offering associate degrees, short-term certificate programs, industry certifications, and training that aligns to the needs of the community. The College provides seamless transfer to other colleges and universities in Indiana, as well as out of state, for a more affordable route to a Bachelor's degree. Follow Ivy Tech on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn for the most up-to-date information.

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Indiana closes the fiscal year with \$2.9 billion in reserves

State Comptroller Tera Klutz, CPA recently confirmed that the State of Indiana closed the 2023 fiscal year with \$2.9 billion in state reserves.

"Indiana's reserves of \$2.9 billion are once again within the healthy range of 10-15% of our fiscal year 2024 budget," said Comptroller Klutz. "We have prudently managed State resources to ensure appropriate reserves are available to weather any economic shifts that may

come."

The State of Indiana began fiscal year 2023 with more than \$6 billion in reserve balances. The General Assembly contributed \$2.5 billion to the pension stabilization fund and increased the 2023 budget over \$3 billion for other one-time expenditures.

"Indiana's strong fiscal leadership continues to serve all Hoosier residents and businesses well," Comptroller Klutz contin-

ued. "We have just completed another very productive year with taxpayer refunds and historic investments in education, public safety, infrastructure and economic development."

In addition, the State collected approximately \$21.1 billion in general revenues, which was \$25 million (0.1%) more than expected and \$133 million (0.6%) less than the State collected in 2022.

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“Gov. Holcomb and the General Assembly have made substantial investments in critical areas such as public health, education and work-force while paying our long-term obligations,” said Office of Management and Budget Director Cris Johnston. “We

continue to maintain a reputation of being a fiscally minded state that meets the needs of all Hoosiers.”
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Lakeshore Public Media to broadcast Northwest Indiana mayoral debates

Lakeshore Public Media announced its partnership with local League of Women Voters (LWV) groups to provide essential support and coverage of mayoral debates in Hobart, Portage, and Valparaiso. This initiative precedes Lakeshore's highly anticipated election night coverage, scheduled for November 7, 2023, at 7 p.m. CT.

The Hobart mayoral debate is set for Monday, September 25, at 6 p.m. and will be hosted at the First Unitarian Church of Hobart, located at 497 Main St in Hobart. Doors open to the public at 5:30 p.m. Josh Huddleston (D) and Teddian Jackson (I) will be debating. The audio broadcast of the debate will be aired on Lakeshore Public Media's radio broadcast - 89.1 FM - on Tuesday, September 26, at 7 p.m. CT.

The Valparaiso mayoral debate is scheduled for Monday, October 9, at 7 p.m. and will take place at the Memorial Opera House located at 104 Indiana Ave, Valparaiso, Ind. Doors open to the public at 6:30 p.m. Debaters include Hannah Trueblood (D) and Jon Costas (R). The audio broadcast of the debate will be aired on Lakeshore Public Media's radio broadcast - 89.1 FM - on Tuesday, October 10, at 7 p.m. CT.

The Portage mayoral debate is set for Tuesday, October 17, at 6:30 p.m. in Oakwood Hall at Woodland Park located at 2100 Willowcreek Road in Portage. D Mayoral candidates are Sue Lynch (D), Austin Bonta (R), Michael Cooper

(Green Party). The audio broadcast of the debate will be aired on Lakeshore Public Media's radio broadcast - 89.1 FM - on Wednesday, October 18, at 7 p.m. CT.

Lakeshore's Vice President of Radio Operations, Tom Maloney, will serve as the moderator for each of the three debates. Citizens can actively participate by submitting questions for the candidates to be asked during the debate via email at comms@lakeshorepublicmedia.org or by visiting www.LakeshorePublicMedia.org/Debates.

The debates are open to the public. No political apparel, pins or signs are permitted inside the venues of the debates. For those unable to attend in person, live

or recorded video coverage of each event will be accessible via Lakeshore Public Media's Facebook page and website, www.lakeshorepublicmedia.org.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan, grassroots civic organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Membership in the League is open to people 16 years and older, of all gender identities. With over 100 years of experience, the League is one of America's oldest and most trusted civic non-profit organizations.



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New exhibit at Indiana Historical Society showcases professional basketball origins in Indiana

Indiana Chamber scores legislators on 2023 voting records

The Indiana Historical Society (IHS)'s newest exhibit, *Going Pro: Basketball Origins in Indiana*, opens this Saturday, September 23 at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, located at 450 W. Ohio St. in downtown Indianapolis.

Visitors to this exhibit will explore Indiana's game of basketball and its impact on professional sports, including stories of iconic games, teams and players through amazing photographs, one-of-a-kind artifacts and a digital media experience that will bring these stories to life like never before.

The foundations of professional basketball in Indiana were found in humble gyms with players "splitting up the nickels" after a game. It wasn't long before Indiana and its passion for the game played a foundational role in building national basketball leagues, playing in the nation's largest fieldhouses, and players flying to games aboard private planes. Dozens of professional teams made their mark on the Hoosier state with teams in several cities including Anderson, Richmond, Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, and Hammond.

Going Pro: Basketball Origins in Indiana includes some of the following stories:

- During World War II, Fort Wayne manufacturer Fred Zollner started a pro-basketball squad. While other teams were shutting down or suspending operations, Zollner grew his squad from the ground up. They would become one of the best in the nation, eventually joining the

NBA. The team continues to play today as the Detroit Pistons.

- In Indianapolis, local sporting goods business Em-Roes started a barnstorming basketball team in the 1910s as one of the first professional teams around. Many players from the team went on to great heights — like Ward "Piggy" Lambert, successful Purdue University coach and National Basketball League (merged to become NBA) commissioner, or Albert Feeney, who went on to win a tight race to become mayor of Indianapolis in 1948.
- In 1930, Dave DeJernett became the first Black player to win a state basketball tournament on an integrated team in the U.S. — as the Washington Hatchets beat the Muncie Central Bearcats 32-21 in the Indiana State Finals at Butler Fieldhouse, the largest basketball venue in the country at the time. After attending school at Indiana Central College (now the University of Indianapolis), he put together an all-star semi-pro team with players from his high school and college. He then went on to play professionally for legendary all-Black teams the New York Renaissance and the Harlem Globetrotters.
- The Indiana Pacers started in 1967 as one of the inaugural teams of the new American Basketball Association. The Pacers were stars of the league with hall of famers like Mel Daniels, Roger Brown, and George McGinnis.

The ABA's finances led to a merger with the NBA in 1976. The Pacers were offered a spot in the new league but had to pay a \$3.2 million entry fee. This, combined with other costs, left the team struggling. But Pacers Assistant General Manager Nancy Leonard had an idea. She proposed a telethon to raise money to keep the team afloat. In the summer of 1977, they did just that, opening the way for the Pacers to be the Hoosier staple they are today.

The *Going Pro: Basketball Origins in Indiana* exhibit runs through February 2024. The exhibit is presented by Pacers Sports & Entertainment. For more information about other IHS offerings, call 317-232-1882 or visit www.indianahistory.org.

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The Indiana Chamber of Commerce has released its 39th annual report scoring state legislators on how they voted on important business legislation in the recent General Assembly session. The overall marks are slightly higher than last year — ranging from 44% to 93%.

"The Legislative Vote Analysis serves as an essential guide in keeping track of Hoosier legislators to ensure they are putting forth measures that will continue the positive economic trajectory of our state and keep us atop business rankings in the Midwest and beyond," says Indiana Chamber President and CEO Kevin Brinegar.

"It was a welcome sight to see support for small business tax relief and workforce development initiatives. However, this was the third rather challenging session in a row with a variety of new, business-hostile legislation introduced with a continued influence of the populist, anti-establishment factions

improving those among legislators with otherwise so-so support for Chamber issues," Brinegar shares.

The document also designates the following lawmakers as 'legislative champions' for their respective work on pro-business legislation in 2023: Rep. Robert Behning (R-Indianapolis); Sen. Rodric Bray (R-Martinsville); Sen. Liz Brown (R-Fort Wayne); Rep. Matt Lehman (R-Berne); Sen. Linda Rogers (R-Granger); and Rep. Craig Snow (R-Warsaw).

In total, the success or failure of 37 key pro-economy, pro-jobs policies — introduced in bills or amendments — was used to determine lawmakers' scores, which are available on the Indiana Chamber's web site at www.indianachamber.com/lva.

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FCC awards Legacy Foundation \$125,000 for affordable internet program

Legacy Foundation, the community foundation for Lake County, Indiana, receives \$125,000 from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for the Affordable Connectivity Program. The Foundation applied for the FCC Affordable Connectivity Outreach Program to address internet accessibility in northern Lake County.

The Affordable Connectivity Program offers eligible low-income households a \$30 per month discount on high-speed internet service. Participating families can also get a one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer with a co-payment of more than \$10 but less than \$50.

"Legacy Foundation is honored to receive funding to assist households in applying for ACP. We believe all Lake County residents should have

access to reliable, high-speed internet, and we encourage anyone who may qualify for the program to sign up for these discounts," said Legacy Foundation President and CEO, Kelly Anoe.

Over 61,000 Lake County households qualify for the program, and currently less than 40% are registered for the discount program. Households are eligible if they meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Your income is 200% or less than the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
- You or your child/dependent participate in certain government assistance programs such as SNAP, Medicaid, WIC, or other programs.
- You or anyone in your household already receives a Lifeline benefit.
- You may also qualify through a participating provider's existing low-income

program.

Legacy Foundation will assist residents with the enrollment process by signing up interested households at community events from July 2023 to June 2025. With a team of dedicated volunteers and community-based organizations, the program will provide educational materials to low-income families on how to gain access to internet connection and devices for their homes.

"We are excited to partner with local organizations in an effort to increase digital inclusion and community awareness of the resources that are available to them," said Donna Catalano, Legacy Foundation Outreach and Engagement Manager.

To learn more about ACP enrollment contact Donna Catalano at dcatalano@legacyfdn.org or 219-736-1880, or visit www.getinternet.gov.

Walleye and saugeye successfully stocked across Indiana waterways

This year, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources has stocked Indiana waterways with walleye and saugeye – fish that are known for being excellent table fare and for the skill it takes to catch them.

Because there is no natural reproduction of walleye and saugeye in most of Indiana, the DNR runs a program to spawn and stock these fish every spring across multiple waterways for anglers to catch.

Spawning operations in late March to early April, which are organized at Brookville Lake, resulted in 35.7 million fertilized walleye eggs. The eggs yielded 24.3 million walleye fry (seven to ten day old fish, less than one inch long), 281,468 walleye finger-

lings (average 1.4 inches), and 81,181 saugeye fingerlings (average 1.6 inches). Walleye fry were stocked at the end of April, and walleye and saugeye fingerlings were stocked in late May and early June. Additional walleye fingerlings are being held in state hatcheries to grow for fall stockings.

Nearby stocked bodies of water, with their county in parentheses, include:

- Walleye fry: Bass Lake (Starke)
- Walleye fingerlings: Shafer Lake (White)

The statewide bag limit for walleye, sauger, and saugeye is six fish per day, in combination. For walleye, the minimum size limit is 14 inches for waters south of State Road 26 and 16 inches for waters north of S.R. 26.

Exceptions to the walleye size limit are Bass Lake (Starke) and Wolf Lake (Lake), where the minimum is 14 inches; Lake George (Steuben), where the minimum is 15 inches; and Wall Lake (LaGrange), where the minimum is 16 inches with a two-fish daily bag limit.

There is no size limit on sauger or saugeye except on Huntingburg Lake (Dubois), Glenn Flint Lake (Putnam), Sullivan Lake (Sullivan), and on the Ohio River, where the minimum size limit is 14 inches. Typically, walleye and saugeye grow to 14 inches after two years and 16 inches after three years.

Learn more about fishing for walleye and saugeye at www.wildlife.IN.gov/fishing/walleye-fishing.

This week in history

September 22, 1961

In a victory for his Cold War foreign policy, President John F. Kennedy signs legislation establishing the Peace Corps as a permanent government agency. Kennedy believed that the Peace Corps could provide a new and unique weapon in the war against communism.

During the presidential campaign of 1960, Democratic candidate John F. Kennedy promised to reinvigorate U.S. foreign policy. He charged that the administration of President Dwight D. Eisenhower had become stagnant and unimaginative in dealing with the communist threat, particularly in regard to the so-called Third World nations.

Shortly after his inauguration in January 1961, Kennedy made good on his promise for a new and aggressive foreign policy. On March 1, 1961, he issued an executive order establishing the Peace Corps. As described by Kennedy, this new organization would be an "army" of civilian volunteers—teachers, engineers, agricultural scientists, etc. who would be sent to underdeveloped nations in Latin America, Africa, Asia, and elsewhere to assist the people of those regions.

The program turned out to have popular appeal. Stories about idealistic young Americans braving privation in foreign lands to help people grow better crops, build schools, or construct wells was good public relations material for the United States. In September, 1961, Congress passed legislation establishing the Peace Corps on a permanent basis. A budget of \$40 million for the next fiscal year was approved.

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