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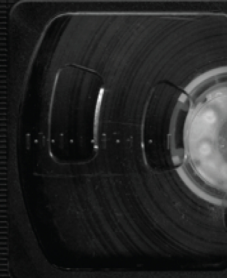
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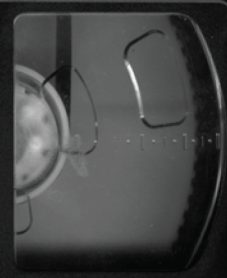
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January 22	4th District	O'Bannon Elementary School-Cafeteria 1317 173rd Street
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# Harlem Wizards Return to BNI

A high-flying, slam-dunking, rim-rattling basketball show returns to town when the Bishop Noll Athletic Department hosts a fundraiser with the Harlem Wizards.

The evening of fun and fundraising takes place Jan. 9 in the Bishop Noll fieldhouse, 1519 Hoffman St. in Hammond. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and show starts at 6:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$10 if purchased in advance and \$12.50 at the door. Tickets can be purchased online at [harlemwizards.thundertix.com](http://harlemwizards.thundertix.com).

In addition to the Wizards' dazzling demonstration of hoops artistry, the night will include a Wiz-Kids warmup, contests,

comedy, awesome slam dunks, audience participation, merchandise giveaways and more. The game will conclude with the Wizards' signature dance extravaganza.

The Wizards will play a promotional game against teachers from Bishop Noll and local elementary schools from the Diocese of Gary.

Founded in 1962, the Wizards have played over 15,000 games throughout the US that have raised over \$25 million for schools and charitable causes.

Source:

Bishop Noll Institute



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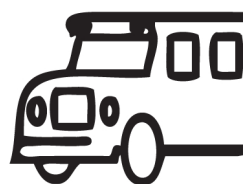
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# Applications for Funding in Hammond

Applications for 2020 funding through the City's Charitable Gaming Fund are now available from the Mayor's Office at Hammond City Hall.

A fund is available to local not-for-profit organizations who can demonstrate that their project, activities and services provide direct benefit to the citizens of Hammond. The fund and application process is overseen by the Charitable Gaming Advisory Committee, which represents a cross section of Hammond residents and city council members. It is chaired by Phil Taillon, Mayor's Chief of Staff.

According to Mayor McDermott: "The process continues to demonstrate that our approach provides an equitable method of funding for not-for-profit initiatives within the City, along with demonstrating a high level of accountability to Hammond taxpayers and residents. I believed early on in my administration that we needed

to make this process as fair as possible." Prior to Mayor McDermott's establishment of the current process, there were no guidelines or restraints as to how gaming dollars were distributed to charities and not-for-profit organizations.

Applications must be received by February 21, 2020 for consideration. Applying organizations will be provided with detailed guidelines that accompany the application. The application process provides the advisory committee with information about the projects and services that local organizations wish to receive funding for. Applicants may be requested to appear before the committee to further present their proposal.

Applications may be obtained by contacting the Mayor's Office, attention Sharon Szany, at 219 853-6499 or by going online at [www.gohammond.com](http://www.gohammond.com).

Source:

The City of Hammond

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# Planting Possibilities Accredited

Planting Possibilities has been accredited for a period of three years for its employment support and job development programs. The latest accreditation is the second consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body, CARF, has given to Planting Possibilities.

Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services. CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of persons served.

By pursuing and achieving accreditation, Planting Possibilities has demonstrated that it meets international standards for quality and is committed to pursuing excellence.

This accreditation will extend through June 30, 2022. This achievement is an indication of Planting Possibilities dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of the persons served. Services, personnel, and

documentation clearly indicate an established pattern of conformance to the standards.

"We appreciate CARF's collaborative approach which includes follow-up contact with the surveyor if necessary. So far, both of our surveyors have been top notch quality," says Mary Anne Neiner, president of Planting Possibilities.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be given to an organization and shows our organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process. It has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit its commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality.

Planting Possibilities is a non-profit organization that has been providing employment, job skills training and fulfilling volunteer opportunities for adults with autism and developmental disabilities in Lake County, Indiana since 2012.

Source:

Planting Possibilities

# Initiative to Help Flood Victims

Hammond Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. in conjunction with the Hammond Sanitary District is pleased to announce an initiative for a Household Flood Protection Program to assist Hammond homeowners with a plan for remediation of flooding within their homes.

The Hammond Sanitary District has allotted up to \$1,000 to each homeowner who is qualified, to assist them with various measures to reduce flooding in their homes. Implementation of standpipes, shut-off valves and overhead plumbing are a few of the measures being offered to those who have already transmitted a complaint to the Hammond Sewer Department regarding flooding in their home.

Installation of the

backflow prevention devices must be performed by licensed plumbing contractors whom are eligible to work within the City of Hammond. To be eligible for the financial assistance you must be a Hammond homeowner and have experienced backflow problems in the past.

"I know the horrors of experiencing flooding in your home," stated Mayor McDermott. "If we can spare even one homeowner this type of grief, then we've done our jobs."

Any homeowner wishing to take advantage of this program should contact Jake Galick, at 853-6413 ext 515.

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The City of Hammond

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# Oversight of Lake County Jail Ends

Lake County Sheriff Oscar Martinez, Jr. is pleased to announce that “oversight of the Lake County Jail by the U.S. Department of Justice (“DOJ”) will soon be coming to a close.”

A Joint Motion was filed today by the DOJ, the Lake County Sheriff and Lake County with U.S. District Court Judge Theresa Springmann to dismiss the lawsuit the DOJ filed in 2010 that resulted in a Settlement Agreement and ongoing DOJ oversight of the Lake County Jail.

The 2010 Settlement Agreement contains 92 different compliance targets the jail had to achieve and maintain for 1 year to meet the conditions of the Settlement Agreement. In the motion filed before Judge Springmann, the DOJ confirms that the Lake County Jail has “reached substantial compliance with the terms of the Agreement in its entirety” and asks the judge to enter an order terminating the Settlement Agreement and dismissing the 2010 lawsuit.

Sheriff Martinez stated: “Getting the jail in

full compliance with all provisions of the Settlement Agreement was a major goal of mine since taking office in September of 2017. One of my first initiatives as Sheriff was to perform a nation-wide search and hire a professional corrections administrator to run the day-to-day operations of the jail and work closely with me to implement the reforms required to achieve compliance with the provisions of the DOJ Settlement Agreement.”

“I’m very proud of the hard work and long hours Warden Michael Zenk, our corrections officers, medical staff, mental health staff, and the other members of our compliance team put in over the last two years. Their dedication ensured that the Lake County Jail met all 92 provisions of the Settlement Agreement and became a model jail facility that continues to meet all constitutional conditions of confinement.”

*Source:*

The Lake County Sheriff Department

# Society of Innovators Launches Masterclass

The Society of Innovators at Purdue Northwest is launching a full year of programming in 2020 that includes interactive monthly workshops, an innovation masterclass series, partner events and more networking opportunities.

“Since its inception, our organization has done a great job of recognizing and celebrating Northwest Indiana’s innovators,” said Sheila Matias, executive director of the Society of Innovators at Purdue Northwest. “This new programming will help us better connect and develop those across the region who are leading the innovation charge.”

The Society of Innovators’ monthly workshops will provide a hands-on environment that connects participants with the people, tools and resources that drive growth. Each workshop highlights a key component of innovation, led by an experienced professional. The cost of each workshop is \$20.

Through a partnership with Gregg Fraley Innovation (GFi), the Society of Innovators at Purdue Northwest will host a series of six innovation-training masterclasses in 2020. The Jumpstart Innovation Learning Series seeks to train innovators and entrepreneurs in essential innovation skills. Participants are managers, project leaders, small business owners, and those charged with leading innovation programs.

The content of the

sessions includes basic innovation skills and deliberate creative problem-solving. Over the course of the series, more advanced topics in cutting-edge innovation strategy, branding, culture building, and project management are trained.

The Jumpstart Innovation Masterclass Series is offered as a subscription package, with each module advancing participant knowledge about innovation in a new way. However, participants can also buy a specific module of interest.

The cost of the series is \$599 for all six workshops. Purchased individually, the workshops are \$149 each.

The schedule is: Friday, January 17: Innovation Concepts Immersion; Friday, March 13: Structured Creative Problem-Solving; Friday, May 15: Facilitation Skills and Tools for Leadership; Friday, August 21: Innovating Your Brand, Friday, October 9: The Art of Agility (Agile/SCRUM Concepts); Friday, December 11: Improvisation for Business Problem-Solving

Workshops and masterclasses will take place in Purdue Northwest’s meeting facility, 6100 Southport Road, Portage, Ind. Those wishing to attend may call Jason Williams at (219) 989-2805, or register online at [www.pnw.edu/soi/events/](http://www.pnw.edu/soi/events/).

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## January 3

Start your New Year off right with a visit to Challenger Learning Center of NWI. Bring the kids in for an hour of hands-on, winter themed STEM activities during their Winter Break! There's no better way to beat the Winter blues than to have a cool experience at Challenger. Friday, January 3, 2020, 10 AM - 11AM | Grades K - 3, 1 PM - 2 PM | Grades 4 - 6; \$10 Per Participant. Parent or guardian must accompany participating child. Accompanying adult will be permitted into lab at no extra charge.

## January 4

BNI Baseball is holding a Winter Sports Camp from noon to 3 p.m. Jan. 4 at Bishop Noll Institute, 1519 Hoffman St. in Hammond. This camp is for all fifth- to eighth-grade prospects and will run as a varsity baseball practice. Participants will get hands on instruction from BNI coaches and varsity players. The camp costs \$20, payable by cash or check on day of event. Visit [bishopnoll.org](http://bishopnoll.org) for more information. Sign up for the BNI Baseball Camp at <https://forms.gle/wANK7BQxkSAMgnTKA>.

## Thru January 31

Hammond Public Library's "Light Up the Mind" Winter Reading Challenge takes place from Jan. 2-31, 2020. Visit [Hammond.beanstack.org](http://Hammond.beanstack.org) to register. Those who registered online during 2019 Summer Reading will use the same account. Adults (age 18 and above) can log three books, audiobooks, eBooks, or

eAudiobooks to be entered into a grand prize drawing. Adults may log either online via Beanstack, or use a paper log. For every third book (up to 30 books) logged, the adult earns a grand prize ticket and an online badge. You may earn more chances to win by completing activities and challenges, or reviewing books. Winners are drawn weekly for a coffee travel mug, and the winner of the grand prize drawing will receive a Kindle Fire and a gift card. Teens (grades 7-12) can log three items into Beanstack or write down three items on a paper log. Teens may review books online for more chances to win the grand prize, and may also complete activities to earn more badges. Weekly winners and grand prize winners will receive gift cards. Youth (newborns to age 13) can log three items into Beanstack to receive a small prize, and to receive an entry into the grand prize drawing. More information is with the Hammond Public Library, 564 State Street, at the intersection of Sibley and Sohl; (219) 931-5100.

## Every 2nd & 4th Thursday

The New Hope Baptist Church Food Pantry will be held every 2nd and 4th Thursday at New Hope Too Fellowship Hall, 6634 Calumet, Hammond, IN, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm or until food runs out. The pantry will operate on a first come first served basis. For further information or if you would like to donate toward this worthy cause, please call the church at 219-932-5955, or Shirley at (219) 680-6109.

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## Happy Holidays



**Bill Emerson, Sr.**  
*Hammond 4th District Councilman*



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**Bill Emerson, Jr.**  
*Lake County Surveyor*

## Free Winter Events at Gabis Arboretum

Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest remains open for the public's enjoyment and education during the winter months. In fact, the winter "free admission" policy makes this time of year an ideal time to get acquainted with this beautiful local natural habitat.

"Winter offers so many reasons to walk the trails at Gabis," says Education and Outreach Coordinator Deb Way. "Hikers in winter see the openness and connectedness of the full landscape when taking a walk. While summer hikers can enjoy a trail's shady archway, they miss seeing the gorgeous overlook that is just beyond the leafy tree line. Winter hikers see that misty sparkle over the full stretch of the wetland pond as they gaze from a high spot on the prairie. It is a perspective not visible other times of year."

Though the Welcome Center at the Railway Garden's Depot is unmanned in the winter months, the building is open for restroom and vending machine access during the arboretum's open hours. Visit [www.pnw.edu/gabis-arboretum](http://www.pnw.edu/gabis-arboretum) to check for current operating hours.

Unless otherwise marked, the trails also are accessible for hiking, dog-walking, bird-watching and photography opportunities.

"A walk in a winter landscape calls us to take a more expansive view, a great reminder when other aspects of the season invite us to hunker down and close in on ourselves," Way said.

Gabis Arboretum at PNW is offering monthly hikes free to the public this winter. Each

hike is followed by a warming time in the Railway Depot with training opportunities for volunteers to finish the day's adventures.

Join the first group of 2020 to have an organized trail walk! Hikers will leave the Depot at 1 p.m. on Saturday, January 4 and return by 2:30 p.m. for hot chocolate.

Also that afternoon, the public is invited to attend a Project Wingspan webinar in the Railway Depot at 3 p.m. Project Wingspan promotes volunteer opportunities specifically designed for those interested in helping with pollinator partnerships.

The next public hike will be held Sunday, February 2. Hikers will trek the trails to see what area groundhogs have to predict about winter's duration.

Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest is a 300-acre, oak preserve of formal gardens, woodlands, wetlands, prairies and hiking trails located near Valparaiso, Indiana. Open year round, the Arboretum offers a wide variety of events and classes for all ages. Officially becoming part of Purdue University Northwest in 2018, Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest provides an enriching, natural habitat for public, educational, conservation and recreational use. To learn more about Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest, visit [pnw.edu/gabis-arboretum](http://pnw.edu/gabis-arboretum).

Source:

Purdue  
University Northwest

# Honor MLK with Events at Purdue

Purdue University Northwest (PNW) invites the Northwest Indiana community to celebrate diversity and inclusion through the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. in two events at its Westville and Hammond campuses Jan. 20 and Jan. 21. Vanessa Allen-McCloud, president and CEO of the Urban League of Northwest Indiana, will deliver the keynote presentation at both celebrations. The events are free and open to the community.

"We are proud to host this celebration of Dr. King's life and message for the 25th year together with our partners and the Northwest Indiana community," said Laura Odom, associate director of PNW's Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

Allen-McCloud has served as president and CEO of the Urban League of Northwest Indiana since 2010. She is a certified Civility in the Workplace and Cultural Competence Civility trainer who is in great demand to provide professional development training workshops. Well-recognized for her work in the community, Allen-McCloud serves on several local and national boards, including the Ivy Tech of Lake County Board of Trustees, Horizon Bank Diversity Council, United Negro College Fund NWI Council, Indiana University Northwest Board of Advisors, and National Council of Negro Women. She is a NAACP Lifetime member, and a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority.

Allen-McCloud earned an associate's degree in Sociology from Purdue University Northwest, bachelor's degree in Organizational Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph, master's degree in Education

from PNW, and her Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Argosy University.

Karen Bishop Morris, associate professor of English at PNW, will serve as emcee for the event, and musical entertainment will be provided by guitarist Angelo Cicco, Rachel Porter, PNW choir member, and Roy Hamilton, PNW assistant vice chancellor for Educational Opportunity Programs and director of the McNair Achievement Program.

PNW will host the 25th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Community Celebration Breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., Monday, Jan. 20. The event, featuring the keynote speaker, entertainment and breakfast, will take place in the James B. Dworkin Student Services & Activities Complex Great Hall, 1401 S. U.S. 421, Westville. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the start of the program.

Also on Jan. 20, students and faculty from the PNW School of Education and Counseling will lead children's activities focusing on the life of Dr. King from 10:30 a.m. until noon at the Michigan City Public Library, 100 East 4th Street.

A program honoring Dr. King will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, Jan. 21. The event, featuring the keynote speaker, entertainment and reception, will take place in the Student Union and Library Building, Alumni Hall (Room 360), 2233 173rd Street, Hammond. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the start of the program.

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# Annual MLK Candlelight March

Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., City of Hammond and the Ministerial Alliance of Hammond & Vicinity, cordially invite all citizens from the Hammond and surrounding communities to participate in the Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., march and commemorative celebration on Monday, January 20, 2020.

Lineup begins at 6:30 a.m. from Freedom Plaza located on Tapper Avenue. Prior to the beginning of the march, Mayor McDermott, Ministerial Alliance and the Hammond Parks and Recreation Board will have a ribbon cutting to dedicate Freedom Plaza and the Eternal Flame, as symbols of the continuing efforts to realize Dr. King's dream of justice, peace and equality for all. Dr.

King believed in a nation of freedom and justice for all, and encouraged all citizens to live up to the purpose and potential of America by applying the principles of nonviolence to make this country a better place to live. This day empowers individuals, strengthens communities, bridges barriers, and moves us closer to Dr. King's vision keep moving forward.

Also part of this year's celebration, the Alliance will be recognizing outstanding organizations and individuals from the community.

For more information, please contact Gloria Mabry, [mabryg@gohammond.com](mailto:mabryg@gohammond.com).

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# Season's Greetings



## Scott Rakos

*Hammond 6th District Councilman*

## Give One Last Gift This Season

During this season of giving, the American Red Cross urges eligible donors to give the gift of life to help ensure patients don't have to worry about the availability of blood this winter. Blood and platelet donations of all types are needed, especially type O.

Holiday travel and severe winter weather often lead to a decline in blood donations. Across the U.S., 37 blood drives have already been canceled since Dec. 1, resulting in more than 1,000 uncollected donations. However, a patient's need for lifesaving treatment doesn't take a vacation or stop for nasty weather. Blood and platelets are needed every day for those receiving treatment for cancer

and leukemia, accident and burn victims and surgical patients, among others.

As a special thank you for being the lifeline for patients this holiday season, those who come out to give blood or platelets with the Red Cross Dec. 19-Jan. 5 will receive a long-sleeved Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last. To schedule an appointment to donate, download the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

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The American Red Cross

**Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., Mayor**  
Owana J. Miller, Community Development Director



## 2020 Point-in-Time Count!



The Department of Community Development and volunteers, along with the Continuum of Care Network, will conduct a homeless count of individuals in Hammond and Lake County Indiana to help determine the needs and services that are required to address housing issues in our area.

### "Be a Part of the Survey"

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

5:00 am - 11:59 pm

*Volunteers will explain and assist with survey completion*

### "With Your Help We Can Make It Happen"

We can collect data that will ultimately help Indiana's effort in assisting thousands find safe, quality, affordable, and permanent housing



### "Help the Homeless"

**Donations:** such as personal hygiene items, socks, blankets, gloves, hats, sweaters, scarves, boots, thermal wear, sweatshirts, men & women coats, pants, water bottles, snacks, towels, wipes, and juice boxes to name a few.

### Donations Drop Off

Hammond City Hall, Community Development Office, 5925 Calumet Ave Ste 115, Hammond, IN 46320

*For more information contact Gloria Mabry, Social Services Coordinator at (219) 853-6358 ext. 2*



# LAKE COUNTY'S WANTED FUGITIVES

## Miguel Torres Arreola

DOB: 01/31/1972 Height: 5'05"  
Age: 47 Eye Color: BRO  
Race: M Hair Color: BLK  
Sex: M Weight: 205



**Wanted for:**  
Rape, Stalking

**Last Known Location:**  
4618 Towle Ave  
Hammond, IN

## Juan Antonio Chavez

DOB: 06/13/1983 Height: 5'08"  
Age: 36 Eye Color: BRO  
Race: H Hair Color: BRO  
Sex: M Weight: 150



**Wanted for:**  
Child Molesting

**Last Known Location:**  
4852 Olcott Ave  
East Chicago, IN

## WANTED

DEALING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE



## CLARK, CHRISTOPHER SHERONE

DOB:	7/16/1996	Eyes:	Brown
Gender:	MALE	Hair:	Brown
Height:	504	Weight:	140
Glasses:	No Glasses/Cont	Name #:	14N022824

## Joseph Michael Gualandi

DOB: 10/08/1976 Height: 5'7"  
Age: 42 Eye Color: BLU  
Race: W Hair Color: BLN  
Sex: M Weight: 190



**Wanted for:**  
Failure to Register as a  
Sex Offender

**Last Known Location:**  
512 State St  
Hammond, IN

## Matthew David Hall

DOB: 09/13/1969 Height: 6'00"  
Age: 49 Eye Color: BRO  
Race: W Hair Color: BRO  
Sex: M Weight: 215



**Wanted for:**  
Failure to Register as a  
Sex Offender

**Last Known Location:**  
10108 Eerie Pl,  
1st Floor  
Highland, IN

## WANTED

ATTEMPTED MURDER



## MCKENZIE, DAMAJAE

DOB:	8/8/1997	Eyes:	Brown
Gender:	MALE	Hair:	Black
Height:	603	Weight:	196
Glasses:	No Glasses/Cont	Name #:	120N49002

## Robert Edward Simms

DOB: 7/13/1988 Height: 6'04"  
Age: 30 Eye Color: BLU  
Race: W Hair Color: BLN  
Sex: M Weight: 240



**Wanted for:**  
Armed Robbery

**Last Known Location:**  
716 E Francis St  
Crown Point, IN

## Joe Bob Summers

DOB: 12/18/1975 Height: 5'10"  
Age: 43 Eye Color: GRN  
Race: W Hair Color: BLN  
Sex: M Weight: 195



**Wanted for:**  
Robbery

**Last Known Location:**  
717 Colfax St  
Gary, IN

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# Hammond Neighborhood Community Meetings

January 4 Friday	9:15 AM	Irving Crime Watch Irving School 4727 Pine
January 7 Tuesday	6:30 PM	Harrison Park Crime Watch VFW 5820 Hohman Ave.
January 9 Thursday	6:30 PM	Whiting/Robertsdale Crime Watch Calumet College-Room 200 2400 New York Avenue
January 16 Thursday	7:00 PM	Hessville Neighborhood Crime Watch Jean Shepard Center 1031 Mahoney Dr.
January 16 Thursday	7:00 PM	South Hammond-Jefferson Neighborhood Watch Hammond Housing Authority 1402 173rd Street
January 21 Tuesday	6:30 PM	East Hammond/Pullman Crime Watch Ophelia Steen Center 5927 Columbia
February 5 Wednesday	6:30 PM	Edison Community Watch Edison School 7025 Madison
April 23 Thursday	6:30 PM	South Hohman Ave Neighborhood Watch Trinity Lutheran Church Corner of 173rd & Hohman Ave

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# Society of Innovators Open to Public

The Society of Innovators at Purdue Northwest is launching a new public membership program. “Since recognizing our first class of inductees in 2005, the Society of Innovators has built an incredible community of innovation-minded leaders across the region,” said Sheila Matias, executive director of the Society of Innovators at Purdue Northwest. “Our new public membership will help us connect with even more of Northwest Indiana’s innovators and open up new programming to a bigger community.”

– Ideal for individual innovators and entrepreneurs, INNOVATE members receive all CONNECT benefits along with one guaranteed ticket to monthly workshops, an opportunity to contribute thought leadership columns to Society newsletters, a digital member badge and member recognition online.

LEAD (\$1,000) – Designed for corporate teams, LEAD members receive two guaranteed tickets to monthly workshops, one season pass to the Jumpstart Innovation Masterclass Series, a company profile on the Society website, opportunity to join the annual awards selection committee, access to an invite-only executive peer group and all other INNOVATE level benefits.

Members of the Society receive exclusive benefits—and support robust regional economic development that drives a culture of innovation in Northwest Indiana.

The Society is offering three membership levels for 2020:

CONNECT (\$25) – Members receive 25 percent off registration for all Society of Innovators programs and events, monthly members-only newsletters and invitations to members-only networking events.

INNOVATE (\$250) – Those wishing to sign up for a new membership may call Jason Williams at (219) 989-2805, or register online at [www.pnw.edu/soi/membership/](http://www.pnw.edu/soi/membership/).

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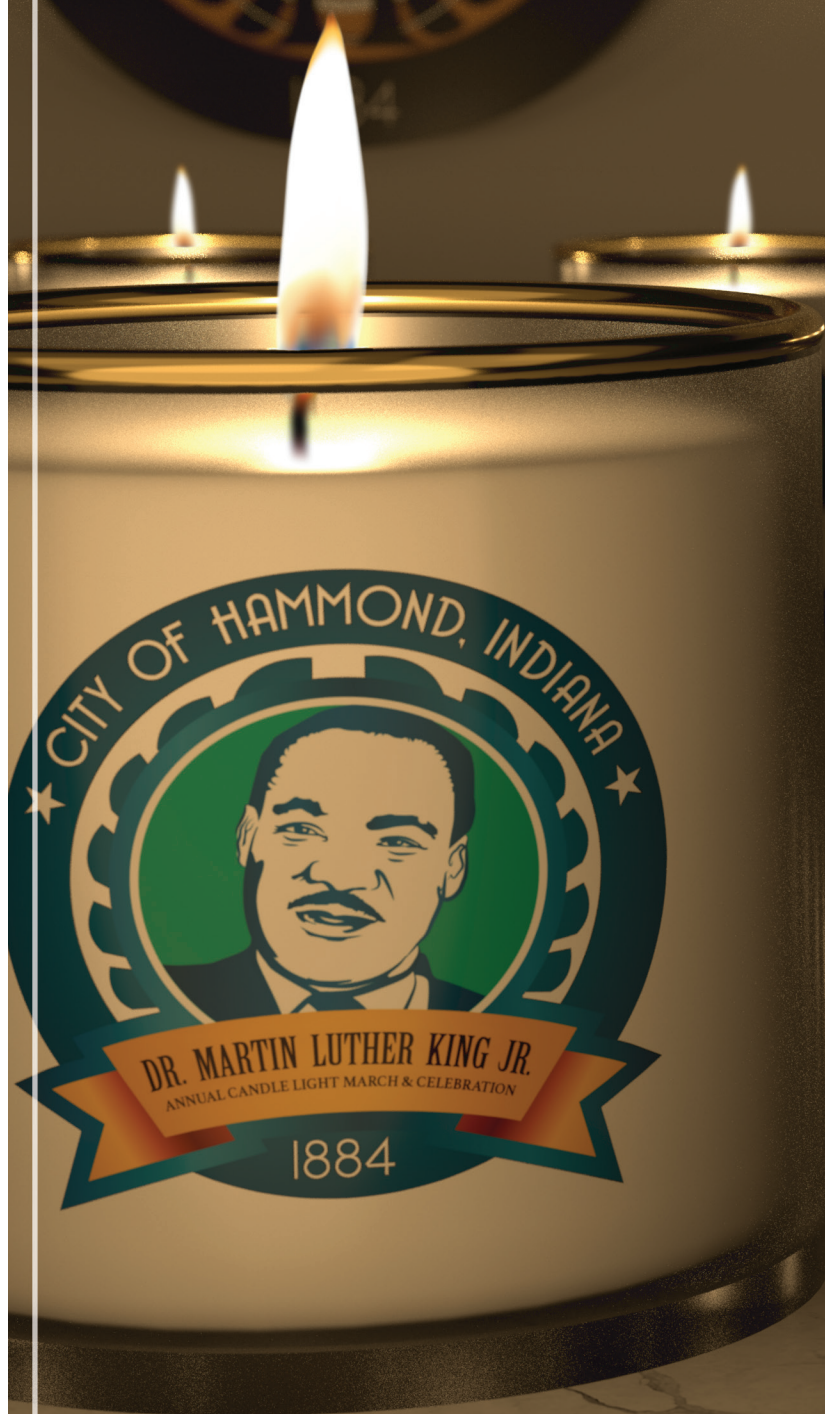


Mayor Thomas M. McDermott Jr., The City of Hammond, and The Ministerial Alliance of Hammond and Vicinity present:

# **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Candlelight March**

*“Keep Moving Forward”*

**Monday, January 20, 2020**



This year's march begins with a 6:30am ribbon cutting to dedicate Hammond's new Freedom Plaza, located at Tapper Avenue & Highland Street, and lighting of the Plaza's Eternal Flame.

After the dedication, join us as we march to the Hammond Civic Center where festivities will continue.

