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Purdue **Northwest** names Yohlunda Mosley to leadership team

HAMMOND and WEST-VILLE, Ind. — Purdue University Northwest (PNW) named Yohlunda Mosley vice chancellor of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, effective June 1.

Mosley was selected through a nationwide search. Mosley joins PNW from Portland State University in Oregon, where she served as assistant vice president of Enrollment Management. In that role she provided executive leadership and supervision for domestic and international recruitment, orientation, campus visits, marketing to prospective students, recruitment technology, and commencement.

"We are fortunate to have a higher education leader with Yohlunda's energy, insights, and passion for students' success return to Indiana to join PNW," said Purdue Northwest Chancellor Thomas L. Keon. "She brings extensive experience in student lifecycle management, multicultural programming, data-driven analysis, professional development of staff, and strategic management to our senior leadership team."

Mosley previously served in leadership roles in admissions, community relations and multicultural outreach at Indiana University Purdue University-Indianapolis; the University of

Nebraska-Lincoln; and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

A Midwest native, Mosley said she is excited to return to Indiana and join PNW in a role that will draw from her diverse background in higher education. She is enthusiastic about the ways the enrollment management and student affairs functions are linked at PNW.

"When I first visited campus I could see that people are really active champions working for the wellbeing of the students," Mosley said. "It's not something that is simply a leadership decision. It's a philosophy that is lived and breathed on campus with the students, staff and faculty whom I met. You can tell that this really is the essence of the institution... and I'm thrilled to bring the drive I have for higher education to serve the students at PNW and residents of the Northwest Indiana region."

Mosley earned a master's degree in Higher Education Administration and a bachelor's degree in Journalism and Mass Communication from the University of Iowa.

Source: Purdue Northwestt

NIRPC Awarded **Outstanding Transportation** Plan for NWI 2050

Portage, Indiana – The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) was awarded the Outstanding Transportation Plan Award for NWI 2050, as awarded by the American Planning Association Indiana Chapter for their 2020 Hoosier Planning Awards.

NWI 2050 builds on the successes of the award-winning 2040 Plan, which was the first comprehensive regional plan for the three-county region. NWI 2050 takes a bold approach by planning at the center of the linkages between transportation, the environment, and economic development.

WI 2050 utilized a method that observes possible future states 30 years from now, allowing Northwestern Indiana regional leaders to contend with the uncertainty the future has in store.

The vision and investment areas described in the plan were prioritized through public outreach. These priorities became the cornerstone for how funding was appropriated through NIRPC's Transportation Improvement Program, so that transportation investments

will contribute to the plan's vision of a northwest Indiana that is "connected, renewed, united, and vibrant."

"We're thankful to the Indiana Chapter of the APA for recognizing the region's efforts to plan for its future," said Ty Warner, NIRPC's Executive Director. "Many northwest Indiana residents helped shape NWI 2050 through their participation in workshops and pop-up events across Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties over many months.

"This plan begins a new chapter in the region's story, and this award helps that story to be told more widely," Warner said

NIRPC's Commission approved NWI 2050 on May 16, 2019. The plan can be accessed and read in its entirety at www. nirpc.org.

NIRPC is the Metropolitan Planning Organization and regional council of local governments for Northwest Indiana.

Source: NIRPC"

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Arboretum **Purdue Northwest offers** admission free **COVID-19** pandemic

VALPARAISO, Ind. – The Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest welcomes the public to its hiking trails and natural habitat, free of charge during this time of social distancing.

The arboretum had been closed to the public since mid-March due to the COVID-19 pandemic but reopened in early May. The hiking trails are open for visitors daily from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., while all facilities remain closed until further notice to protect the health and safety of guests and the community. Portable restrooms are available on the grounds.

The Railway Garden, Adventure Garden and Music Garden also remain closed to promote safe social distancing practices. With hiking trails spanning 300 acres, visitors are able to observe social distancing while exploring the property.

Admission to the arboretum is included with all memberships, but admission is free for everyone until the risks of the COVID-19 pandemic are dimin-

"We are proud to offer the arboretum as a resource to our community," said Stephanie Blackstock, executive director. "In these uncertain times, we want the arboretum to be a destination of respite and health accessible to everyone. Many parents are seeking ways to keep children engaged, and having them experience nature is the perfect outlet."

he arboretum will not hold on-site public classes through June and does not plan to offer a 2020 summer concert series. Weddings and other facility rentals are still being booked for the

future and the arboretum hopes to offer virtual public classes in

Blackstock noted, "We rely heavily on funding from admission fees, membership and our concert series so we aren't receiving any revenue right now. We are asking the community to support our operations by donating or purchasing a membership online."

For more information about the Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest or to donate, visit www.pnw.edu/gabisarboretum.

Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest

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.

Purdue University Northwest (PNW) is a student-centered university that values academic excellence, supports growth and celebrates diversity. Located in Northwest Indiana, near Chicago, PNW fosters a vibrant academic community through high quality and engaging undergraduate and graduate education. For more information about PNW, visit www.pnw.edu.

Source: Purdue Northwest

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana Re-opens Five Clubs



A Valparaiso Boys & Girls Club member wears a facemask while painting. All staff members are required to wear masks throughout the day, while youth are encouraged but not required to do so.

After Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana made the decision to close its doors on March 13 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Clubs across Porter and Lake counties sat empty. Like nonprofits across the country, the organization was faced with the challenge of maintaining viability and continuing to serve the community in ways that stayed true to its mission. For weeks, leadership debated the crucial next steps that would define the organization's response to the pandemic.

The first step was figuring out what the organization could do immediately for Club families. For Boys & Girls Clubs' vice president of human resources and operations Kris Condon, this meant reaching out to Club parents and asking what they were struggling with and what the organization could do to help.

"Some of our families told us they were struggling with e-learning, some were having a hard time easing their children's anxieties, and many of the parents we spoke with were struggling to provide hot dinners for their families," Condon said.

Beginning in April, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana began offering e-learning assistance, where Club kids could schedule video conferences with and receive tutoring from staff members, and a parent hotline, which allowed Club parents to speak with the organization's Social Services Director. In terms of scope, however, the greatest impact came from its Family Dinners program. Through April and May, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana distributed over 4,000 take-and-bake dinners to Club members, in part with funding from Legacy Foundation, Crown Point Community Foundation, United Way of Porter County, and Porter County Community Foundation.

Staff who were not remotely tutoring Club members or distributing dinners were busy behind the scenes, deep cleaning and sanitizing Clubs. Meanwhile, the organization's leadership was looking forward. Knowing that the 2,200 Club members the organization serves daily had been cooped up for over two months, away from their friends and unable to socialize, president and CEO Ryan Smiley tasked his



Members of Duneland Boys & Girls Club wash their hands between program sessions.

executive team with developing a plan to safely reopen and provide Boys & Girls Clubs youth with the Best Summer Ever.

Smiley said that while it was important for Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana to be able to help its communities over the past few months, the organization was eager to start serving youth directly again when it was safe to do so.

"We are fortunate to have been in a position to help our Club families, but we are a people-based organization," Smiley said. "The greatest impact we have is by serving youth in Northwest Indiana and providing them with high quality programming that develops academic and social-emotional skills. When Governor Holcomb eased the restrictions for gathering and it was safe for us to open back up, we wanted to be ready to go."

On Monday, after weeks of closure, Clubs were ready to go. With a number of safety restrictions in place, Boys & Girls Clubs in Portage, Chesterton, Valparaiso, South Haven, and Cedar Lake re-opened their doors. Smiley is hopeful that as Clubs across the region continue to re-open, they

can provide region youth with some much-needed optimism.

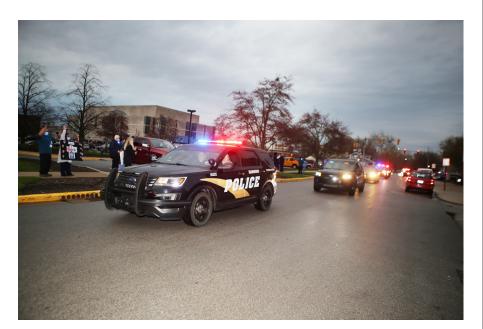
"During the time our Clubs were closed, the work never stopped and our commitment to youth never wavered," he said. "We knew that eventually we would re-open, and that when we did, our focus had to be on giving kids the Best Summer Ever."

For more information on the safety protocols Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana is implementing, visit www. bgcgreaternwi.org.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana has been opening doors to GREAT FUTURES for Porter and Lake County youth for over 60 years. Clubs are open after school and provide great places for youth in grades K-12 to meet friends and have fun while in a safe, supervised environment. Clubs are open during holidays and in the summer. Annual membership is only \$40.00. For information on membership, volunteer opportunities, or to make a tax-deductible donation, please contact your local Club by calling (219) 764-2582 or visiting bgcgreaternwi.org. Great Futures Start HERE.

The Community Thanks The First Responders













Recently several local communities joined in a drive by thank you to the first responders at the Fransician Hospital located in Hammond. Among the many organizations represented were the Hammond Mayor's office, police and fire departments, Lansing, East Chicago, Chicago Police, Glenwood, Indiana State Police

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How to regain focus when all control is lost

None of this is new. We have faced pandemics, unemployment, natural disasters, economic decline, and rioting throughout our history, but never at the same time. For the first time in our nation's history the dominoes seem to be in sync, and it is affecting our mental health as never before.

"This is all new territory for us, not only as mental health professionals but as humans. The enormity just months ago would have been incomprehensible to fathom. It all seems like a terrible nightmare, but it's not," says Dr. Pavan Prasad, founder of Chicago's Clarity Clinic.

According to new data from the Census Bureau, a third of Americans are showing signs of clinical anxiety and depression, signifying an alarming jump in numbers seen before the pandemic began.

"People are worried about contracting the coronavirus, or giving it to their loved ones, if they haven't already been laid off, they are undoubtedly concerned about the future of their job, they are losing sleep over not being able to pay their bills or feed their families. As if that were not enough, the civil unrest we are seeing play out right now before our eyes is heartbreaking on so many different levels, it is a lot to digest all at once," adds Prasad.

Data shows Americans may be turning to vices to help ease the pain. In a newly released report, marketing research firm Nielsen, claimed sales of alcohol have risen nearly 30-percent across the United States compared to the same time last year. According to a report by the CDC the rise of suicide among American workers has increased 40-percent during the past two decades. Historically, suicide rates trend upwards during times of great peril.

Suicides, depression, alcohol and drug addiction are expected to grow significantly, and this is not something that can be fixed over a few months, this will last for years to come." remarks Prasad.

So, what can we do when we feel so powerless? "Remain focused on the basics, one foot in front of the other, focusing on the picture as a whole right now may be detrimental. Remind yourself to be present, talk with someone you trust, try to reframe your worries or anxieties, write your worries, or concerns down, practice mindfulness exercises and unplug. As much as we may want to stay up to date with our everchanging environment, sometimes the healthiest thing we can do is to walk away, talk a moment and regroup," offers Prasad.

This is not something you can just put a band aid on. The American psyche has been damaged without a doubt. But we must try to remain focused on the greater good, America has been knocked down before, but she always gets back up," observes Prasad.

If you are feeling hopeless right now or simply need someone to listen, please seek professional help. Though patients are not able to be seen in an office setting right now, professionals are still available via telehealth.

Distribution Partner Selected for UVD Robots

Hammond, IN -6/1/2020 - O'Day's, Inc. is pleased to announce a strategic distribution partnership with UVD Robots for the sale, service, and support of the UVD Robot.

Available since 2018, the UVD Robot was originally developed to address hospital acquired infections and is now in use in more than 40 countries, across a growing array of market sectors such as mass transit, and manufacturing, as well as high use venues including commercial offices, malls, airports, casinos.

'Day's is proud to partner with UVD Robots to bring the unique, high-tech disinfection UVD Robot to the Midwest. This leading-edge technology solution can augment existing cleaning and disinfection protocols to more effectively and efficiently kill viruses and bacteria," said Steve O'Day, president/CEO, O'Day's, Inc.

"We at UVD Robots are delighted to join forces with O'Day's and benefit from their commitment to excellent customer service. This strategic partnership will help expand the reach for our award winning UVD Robot within the US, help restore confidence in the workplace, and continue in the ongoing fight against COVID-19," said Brian Coffey, Sales Director for the Americas at UVD Robots.

The UVD Robot combines proven UV-C lighting along with state-of-the art intelligent robotics. The robot scans the environment and creates a digital map. The robot is then programmed and operates completely on its own to accomplish the disinfection task. A typical room can take 10-15 minutes to disinfect, stopping at 5-6 different positions to maximize disinfection.

Hundreds of the UVD Robots have been deployed to locations around the world such as Wuhan, China to help in the battle against COVID-19.

The UVD Robot earned the 2019 15th Innovation and Entrepreneurship Award in Robotics and Automation (IERA) from the International Federation of Robotics (IFR) and the euRobotics Technology Transfer Award 2020.

For information about UVD Robots, please contact O'Day's via email: UVDInfo@ODay.com or call to: (219)-228-8780.

Source: O'Day's, Inc.

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is located at 7103 I/2 Kennedy Ave.,

Veteran Trail Opening in Town of Hebron

In 1995 the Indiana General Assembly designated a 15-mile segment of U.S. 231 from U.S. 41 in St. John east to State Road 2 in Hebron as the Veterans Memorial Parkway. This effort was spearheaded by American Legion Post 261 in Cedar Lake, which helped establish the first United States memorial to our Vietnam Veterans at Stoney Run Park.

Running along the north side of U.S. 231 from Crown Point to Hebron is an abandoned railroad which is planned to be turned into the Veterans Memorial Trail. In 1999, a federal grant was secured by the Lake County Parks Dept. to construct the facility, but it was discovered how challenging this would turn out to be when over 130 landowner interests were identified in the nine-mile corridor. Hence the delay in development for the last 20+ years.

However, movement on the trail is finally proceeding, with the Town of Hebron ready to open the first mile of the Vet Trail this year. Lake County Parks has also experienced success with land acquisition of the corridor nearly complete within Crown Point.

The Hebron section was awarded a Next Level Trails grant from the Indiana Dept. of Natural Resources last year. Since this is state funding, not federal, the phases of development are able to move more rapidly due to fewer regulations involved. The town is aiming to host a ribbon cutting for their segment of the Vet Trail on June 6th for National Trails Day.

Source: NIRPC

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Midwestern Firm Earns International Recognition

Bolingbrook, IL – 5/12/2020 – Illinois-based Stevenson Crane Service Inc. (SCS) recently earned two international awards for crane and rigging safety based on performance numbers that greatly exceeded industry standards.

The Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association (SC&RA), an international trade association with more than 1,400 members from 46 nations, recognized SCS with the 2020 Crane & Rigging Group Safety Award and the Zero Accidents Award.

Together, the two awards signify world-class performance in crane and rigging safety. Firms across the United States and around the world submit dozens of entries to the SC&RA Awards competition.

"Safety is our main focus every single day. Lives and livelihoods depend on it completely – it's that simple. Earning these two awards is huge for our teams. It's an affirmation that what we're doing exceeds global standards, and it reaffirms our commitment to keep doing even better," said Ted Larkin, safety director with SCS.

The Crane & Rigging Group Safety Award is given to companies with a Workers' Compensation Modification Rate of 1.0 or less; Property Damage Frequency Rate of 1.0 or less; and an incident rate of 1.7 or less, which is less than the industry average of 3.4, as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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About Stevenson Crane Service Inc.

Stevenson Crane Service (SCS) is a family-owned-and-operated business that has served the lifting needs of construction, industrial, mechanical, manufacturing, and other industries for more than 31 years. With a deep knowledge base and decades of experience working with heavy lifting equipment, the company provides world-class solutions for challenging building and maintenance projects.

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The Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association (SC&RA) is an international trade association of more than 1,400 members from 46 nations. SC&RA helps members run more efficient and safer businesses by monitoring and affecting pending legislation and regulatory policies at the state and national levels and researching and reporting on safety concerns and best business practices.

Source: DMS

The opposite sides of a die will always add up to seven.

Subaru of Merrillville Shares the Love for NWI Seniors and Meals on Wheels

Merrillville Indiana (May 29, 2020) –International Subaru of Merrillville presented Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana \$19,566 to support delivering nutrition to older northwest Indiana residents.

This record amount of funds were raised through the 2019 "Share the Love" event, where Subaru of America and local dealerships donate \$250 to the customer's charity of choice for every new Subaru vehicle purchased or leased. Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana partners with Subaru of Merrillville to raise awareness for the year-end sales and giving event.

"Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana is honored to be chosen as Subaru of Merrillville's Hometown Charity. Our partners at Subaru of Merrillville even go far above and beyond by personally donating for every Subaru sold or leased. Their commitment to the community, and their drive for excellence, provides thousands of meals for seniors who depend on it for nourishment and compan-

ionship," said Sandra Noe, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana.

Since first choosing Meals on Wheels NWI as its hometown partner, Subaru of Merrillville has raised more than \$45,000 and helped deliver nearly 10,000 meals and friendly visits to relieve isolation to seniors in northwest Indiana!

"Meals on Wheels' mission is close to our hearts," said Mark Artibey, Sales Manager for Subaru of Merrillville. "It's part of our culture of excellence at Subaru of Merrillville to support the health and wellbeing of the community. We are proud to invest in Meals on Wheels and help deliver 4,000 meals to seniors who need our care and support."

Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana delivers nutritional meals to people in Lake, Porter, Newton, Jasper, and Starke counties; serving over 1,400 meals each day. To donate and support Meals on Wheels, register for meals, or volunteer your

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 Name #:
 18N064487

WANTED

BURGLARY



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VYSINKA, MICHAEL RAY

 DOB:
 9/17/1973
 Eyes:
 Blue

 Gender:
 MALE
 Hair:
 Blonde

 Height:
 511
 Weight:
 187

 Glasses:
 No Glasses/Cont
 Name #:
 970003117

WANTED

ARMED ROBBERY W/SERIOUS BODILY INJURY





JACKSON, WARD LEDALE

 DOB:
 2/13/1995
 Eyes:
 Brown

 Gender:
 MALE
 Hair:
 Black

 Height:
 600
 Weight:
 140

 Glasses:
 No Glasses/Cont
 Name #:
 080N37157

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