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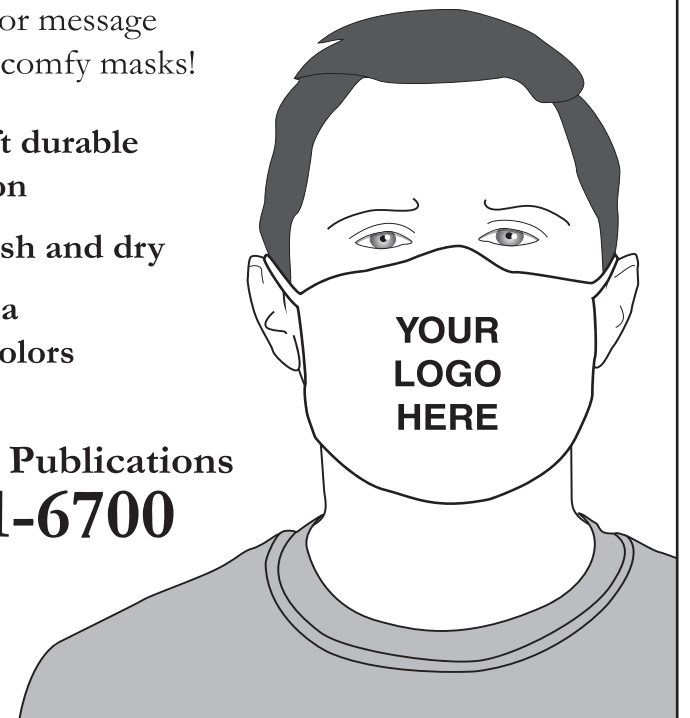
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Strack & Van Til helps Meals on Wheels Round Up Emergency Pandemic funding

Merrillville, Indiana (March 29, 2021) – All northwest Indiana Strack & Van Til stores will be partnering with Meals on Wheels March 29, 2021 to April 11, 2021 in a Round Up campaign to help support meal delivery. Strack & Van Til patrons will have the chance to Round Up their purchase in support of Meals on Wheels.

The need for Meals on Wheels has increased greatly as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Every cent raised adds up to a bounty of fellowship for our senior neighbors, as \$5.00 helps deliver a nutritious meal.

“Strack & Van Til knows how important Meals on Wheels service is essential to the community in the best of times,” Derek Kinney of Strack & Van Til said. “We want to do everything we can to make sure Northwest Indiana seniors keep getting the vital nutrition they need to stay well.”

“Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana is grateful

to be selected by Strack & Van Til for the Round Up campaign,” said Sandra Noe, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels Northwest Indiana. “Rounding Up gives people the chance to come together to meet the surge in need for meal delivery, and helps keep our commitment to serving seniors and others who need nutrition.”

Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana delivers 1,600 nutritional meals daily to people in need serving all of Lake, Porter, Newton, and Jasper counties, and has delivered more than 8 million meals since 1977.

A portion of the funds will also benefit VNA Meals on Wheels of Porter County which serves the Valparaiso area as well.

To register for meals, volunteer, or donate, visit www.mownwi.org

Source: Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana



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American Diabetes Association Urges Federal Action to Lower Prescription Drug Prices



The American Diabetes Association® (ADA) last week recommended urgent federal action to bring down skyrocketing drug prices before the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee. In a statement for the congressional record submitted in conjunction with the HELP Committee's Primary Health and Retirement Security Subcommittee's recent hearing exploring reasons the U.S. pays the highest prices in the world for prescription medications, ADA CEO Tracey D. Brown spoke to the unique financial challenges faced by Americans with diabetes and stressed the need for immediate relief—especially during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic that has only compounded existing financial strain.

"The price of insulin alone has roughly tripled in the past decade, increasing from less than \$100 for an average vial in 2009 to nearly \$300 for the same vial today, even though today's insulin is nearly the exact same product as it was ten years ago. With these facts in mind, it should be little surprise that Americans spend more treating diabetes than any other chronic condition; that people with diabetes in the U.S. spend two and a half times more on health care than those who do not have diabetes; that they account for \$1 in every \$3 spent on prescription drugs, and 25 cents of every dollar spent on health care, in America today; and that one in four insulin-dependent Americans report rationing their insulin supply due to financial difficulty," wrote Brown.

"While Congress has for some time considered policy approaches to make drug costs

more affordable, we urge this Subcommittee and Congress more broadly to prioritize policy approaches that will serve the medical interests of patients and put money back in their pockets. Proposals that simply shift funds among players in the supply chain are not going to serve patients if patients themselves are not realizing savings—at the pharmacy counter, in their premiums, and in the cost of deductibles. Practical approaches that put patients first should be the first goal of any effort to make drugs more affordable."

The ADA implores leaders in government to take aggressive action to lower the cost of prescription drugs and looks forward to continuing to work with Congress to ensure that all Americans with diabetes can afford to stay safe and healthy.



Source: *American Diabetes Association*

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Hammond Port Authority



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docks of the marina break wall and on land. NO BOATS! Use live and/or artificial bait. Prizes and trophies will be awarded for largest salmon, largest trout and largest bass. This derby is subject to all IDNR fishing and game laws, so please have your license and stamp. Get your fishing license online at: <http://www.wildlife.in.gov> or simply visit Cabela's in Hammond. For more information contact the Hammond Marina at (219) 659-7678..

Springtime Pawp-Up

HAMMOND, IN – Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., Hammond Parks & Recreation are excited to announce the return of the Springtime Pawp-Up. This year's event will take place on Saturday, April 17 from 10am to 3pm at the Hammond Civic Center, 5825 Sohl Avenue.

Spend the day shopping over 30 local vendors and rescue shelters. Admission and

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Munster High School Speech team captures 11th straight Class AA State Championship at the 2021 Indiana High School Forensics Association's Speech Finals on March 13

Wins prestigious Ralph Lawson Trophy for the ninth time

Munster, Indiana, March 16, 2021—Munster High School's Speech team won the 2021 Indiana High School Forensics Association's (IHSFA) Class AA State Tournament held virtually on Saturday, March 13. The victory is the school's 11th straight State Championship in the Class AA division.

The Mustangs entered the competition's elimination rounds, advancing 29 entries to the semi-finals and 19 entries to the final round. According to Jordan Mayer, who has directed Munster High School's Speech & Debate program since 2010, Munster's Speech team had the highest number of students advancing in the tournament and, with 206 points, was awarded the Ralph Lawson Trophy, which is bestowed on the overall State Championship team, regardless of Class size. This honor is Munster's ninth overall State Championship in the last 11 years. Fishers High

School in Fishers, IN placed second with 161 Points.

"Our students understood that this season would look different," Mayer said, "They stepped up by adapting to the virtual world. They partnered their talent and passion with deliberate practice and came prepared to compete." Team members included:

Broadcasting

Bradley Bieniak - Quarterfinalist

Discussion

Sophia Salazar - State Participant
Brink Wolak - State Participant

Dramatic Interpretation

Charlie Mason - State Champion
Mateo Bedolla - State Runner-Up
Emma Powell - Semi-Finalist
Delaney Craig - Quarterfinalist

Duo Interpretation

Charles Iverson and Michael Casner - 5th Place

Irene Tsakopoulos and Tara Gaither - Semi-Finalists

Humorous Interpretation

Michael McDunn - State Champion
Mateo Bedolla - 5th Place
Anna Raycroft - 6th Place
Chloe Sarkady - Semi-Finalist

Impromptu Speaking

Cynthia Chockalingam - 3rd Place
Shriya Iyer - 4th Place

Informative Speaking

Srishti Sarkar - State Runner-Up
Nadia Perdue - 6th Place
Irene Tsakopoulos - Semi-Finalist
Julianna Dodge - Quarterfinalist

International

Extemporaneous Speaking
Shriya Iyer - State Runner-Up
Cynthia Chockalingam - 3rd Place

Original Oratory

Michael McDunn - Semi-Finalist
Gabriella Ruiz - Semi-Finalist
Ayush Arora - Quarterfinalist

Original Performance

Rajiv Kalluri and Francis Hovland - State Champions
Charles Iverson and Michael Casner - 3rd Place
Srishti Sarkar and Alicia Powell - 4th Place
Grace Harris and Hailey Sullivan - Semi-Finalists

Poetry Interpretation

Myanne Zachary - State Runner-Up

Nadia Perdue - 3rd Place
Annabelle Spicer - Quarterfinalist

Programmed Oral Interpretation

Charles Mason - 4th Place
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Sarah Banaszak - State Participant

United States

Extemporaneous Speaking
Aidan Boyle - Quarterfinalist
Carina Crisan - Quarterfinalist

The team also competed in the 2021 IHSFA State Speech Preliminary Rounds, also a virtual competition, on February 27. The Mustangs advanced 37 out of 40 entries to the quarterfinals. The assistant coaches for Munster's Speech team include: Don Fortner, Helen Engstrom, Kenneth O'Drobinak, Kathleen Boyle, Steven Stepnoski, Benjamin Boruff, and Helena Jancosek. Helen Engstrom, Don Fortner, and Jordan Mayer are in the IHSFA's Hall of Fame. Helen Engstrom is in the National Speech & Debate Association's Hall of Fame. Since the program's founding in 1965, Munster's Speech and Debate program has won 20 state titles.

Source: Munster High School



The Munster High School Speech Team poses with the Ralph Lawson Trophy

Purdue Northwest School of Engineering offers Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Summer Camp

HAMMOND and WESTVILLE, Ind. — Purdue University Northwest's (PNW) School of Engineering will offer its Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML) Summer Camp weekdays from Monday, June 14 through Friday,



Two students work together on a computer project at the Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Summer Camp offered at Purdue University Northwest.

June 25. Camp attendees can choose to attend virtually (via Zoom), or in-person at PNW's Hammond Campus, where university social distancing guidelines will be followed.

The PNW Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering will host the camp, offering high school students the opportunity to learn AI/ML concepts and implement them in fun game-based programming platforms. Participants will discover the science and engineering that runs our technology, and see how AI/ML techniques have improved many

professional fields and created several job opportunities in the last few years.

The two-week session will run from 9:10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each weekday. Students must be entering ninth grade or higher in fall 2021 to be eligible to attend. The application deadline is May 14 and the cost per student is \$180. For more information, visit the Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Summer Camp site or contact Colin Elkin at (219) 785-5422 or cpe@pnw.edu.

Source: Purdue University Northwest

NWIIWA 2021 Board of Directors and Executive Board NWI businesses get actively involved in professional development of women.

The Northwest Indiana Influential Women Association (NWIIWA) is pleased to announce it has recently elected its 2021 Board of Directors and Executive Board. Among this year's electees are representatives from many regional business organizations that have come together to improve career development and advancement opportunities for women in NWI.

"With over 100,000 impressions each year, NWIIWA's board maintains an active and consistent message across all that we do. We work to empower and strengthen opportunity for women in Northwest Indiana and we achieve this by working closely together," Erica Dombey, NWIIWA board chair, president and executive director of the Regional Development Company.

NWIIWA 2021 Board of Directors Members:

- Debie Coble, President & CEO, Goodwill Industries of Michiana, Inc

- Amy Delahunty, Corporate Accounts Manager, Franciscan Health Crown Point
- Erica Dombey, President & Executive Director, Regional Development Company
- Danette Garza, CEO, Jack Gray Transport, Inc.
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- Chair: Erica Dombey, President & Executive Director, Regional Development Company
- Vice Chair: Sue Reed, Director, Healthy Communities of LaPorte County
- Secretary: Dr. Cynthia Roberts, Dean, Indiana University Northwest
- Treasurer: Mary Wright, Vice President, Horizon Bank – Merrillville

Throughout the past year, despite limitations on gatherings, NWIIWA participants have remained actively engaged in several professional development and leadership initiatives designed to improve skillsets for professionals in the region. This has included activities like the virtual Breaking the Glass Ceiling series, the Empowerment Series, and the Coffee and Connect networking forum.

In the coming months, the association is planning to involve numerous high-profile speakers that will be featured during educational events and is working diligently to plan a safe Influential Women awards banquet on September 30th. The premier banquet is the most popular event in the area for the recognition of professional achievements among women. Finalists for the 2021 awards banquet can be viewed online at <http://nwiiwa.org/2021-influential-women-award-finalists/>. They include established and up-and-coming professionals from 12 different industry categories.

Companies wishing to showcase their support for women and be included in this high-visibility event still have opportunities to sponsor or partner with NWIIWA. Visit <http://nwiiwa.org/tickets-sponsorships/> for more info.

Source: NWIIWA

COVID-19: What You Should, and Shouldn't, Do When Being Vaccinated

The number of new COVID-19 cases in the U.S. continues to decline, down 15 percent from two weeks ago, but experts caution everyone must continue taking steps to slow the spread of the virus.

As of March 17, some 537,000 people have died from COVID-19 in this country and more than 29 million people have been infected with the coronavirus.

VACCINE UPDATE

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than 73 million people have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, including about 40 million people who have been fully vaccinated. Providers are administering about 2.47 million doses per day on average. State and local governments decide when each group gets access to vaccines. Visit your state or local health department for more information on eligibility and availability in your area.

BEFORE AND AFTER VACCINE

- Don't take over-the-counter medicine, such as ibuprofen, aspirin, or acetaminophen, before vaccination to prevent vaccine-related side effects.
- After getting vaccinated you can take over-the-counter medicine, such as ibuprofen, acetaminophen, aspirin, or antihistamines, for any pain and discomfort you may experience.

- Don't take antihistamines before getting a COVID-19 vaccine to try to prevent allergic reactions.

- If you take these medications regularly for other reasons, you should keep taking them before you get vaccinated.

- You are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after your second shot of the Pfizer-BioNtech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, or two weeks after the single-dose J&J/Janssen COVID-19 vaccine.

- After you've been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you should keep taking precautions in public places like wearing a mask, staying 6 feet apart from others, avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, and washing your hands often.

- After you are fully vaccinated for COVID-19, you may be able to start doing some things that you had stopped doing because of the pandemic. Learn more about what you can do when you have been fully vaccinated.

- The CDC recommends that people don't travel at this time. If you do travel, follow all CDC recommendations before, during and after travel.

Some people experience mild discomfort after they get a vaccine. This means the vaccine is working and creating an immune response in your body. These may include pain, redness, swelling, being

tired, headache, muscle pain, chills, fever or nausea.

Side effects after your second shot may be more intense than the ones you experienced after your first shot. These side effects are normal signs that your body is building protection and should go away within a few days.

WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING As COVID-19 vaccination efforts continue, the Red Cross is supporting local communities across the country in their work when requested.

Depending on the circumstances, our support may include helping to set up vaccination sites, collecting information from people being vaccinated, and providing water and snacks for medical staff and people waiting to be vaccinated. As of March 15, the Red Cross has participated in 117 vaccine support missions across 29 states. Red Cross volunteers who are medical professionals may also be working with local authorities to help give vaccinations if their state licenses permit them to do so. The Red Cross

is also helping to vaccinate U.S. service members on bases around the globe and are active in U.S. veterans' hospitals.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms and want to get tested, call your health care provider first. Visit your state or local health department's website to look for the latest local information on testing.

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

Source: American Red Cross

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The Salvation Army of Lake County Continues To Do the Most Good One Year After the Start of the COVID-19 Pandemic



Organization remains committed to meeting urgent need while setting its eyes on addressing “pandemic poverty”

As the nation marks the anniversary of the COVID-19 pandemic, The Salvation Army of Lake County continues to address the longstanding issues of homelessness, poverty, and hunger, which have intensified and become more complex due to COVID-19. As a record number of families face the ongoing threats of “pandemic poverty,” The Salvation Army remains committed to providing a hand up to our vulnerable neighbors most impacted.

People living in poverty felt the initial effects of COVID-

19 more quickly and acutely because they experienced a pandemic on top of already-existing epidemics of need. COVID-19 forced a record number of Americans to seek assistance from The Salvation Army. That was certainly true in Lake County, which experienced a fivefold increase in need at the height of the pandemic. The most requested services were food and emergency financial assistance. Because The Salvation Army meets human need on the frontlines, local centers are often the first place that people turn to in a crisis. As such, the organization took intentional steps to meet the needs in Northwest Indiana.

- Served 23,538 meals; delivered 1,151 of those to homes
- Distributed 17,925 bags of groceries
- Provided 4,253 hygiene kits
- Supported 1,441 households with emergency financial assistance

“The Salvation Army was here before and during the pandemic, and we’ll be here long after to continue

supporting our neighbors in need,” said Captain Brian Clark, Lake County Coordinator for The Salvation Army. “We are thankful for the generosity of our donors in Lake County, who made it possible to help a greater number of individuals than ever before with food and emergency financial assistance during this difficult time.”

As needs evolved over the course of the year, The Salvation Army reimagined safe ways to meet them, such as expanding food pantry hours, distributing take-home meals from a mobile canteen, and offering hygiene kits.

To ensure service continues, The Salvation Army took the historic step of starting its 2020 holiday fundraising campaign early to ensure struggling Americans had a bright Christmas. Nearly \$500,000 was raised locally, which will help power 2021 services, but demand is expected to far outpace resources. As neighbors face threats of eviction and financial loss, the majority of clients are families who live paycheck to paycheck. In response, Salvation Army will

remain focused on vulnerable families, and keeping people in their homes through rent and utility assistance.

The Salvation Army will continue to meet the rising tide of pandemic poverty during the current crisis and beyond, but to do so, they are asking for the support of the public. Just \$25 a month could be the difference between a family paying their light bill or being left in the dark. To help, visit www.salarmylakecounty.org.

About The Salvation Army of Lake County

The Salvation Army operates three corps community centers in Lake County, Indiana, including East Chicago, Gary-Merrillville, and Hammond-Munster. The organization offers shelter referral, homelessness prevention, food pantry and meals, alcohol and drug rehabilitation services, disaster relief services, after-school programs, recreational activities, music education and more. For more information, visit: www.salarmylakecounty.org.

Source: The Salvation Army of Lake County

Earth Day Book Drive

Hammond



Parks & Recreation

HAMMOND, IN – Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., Hammond Parks & Recreation are excited to partner with Discover Books for an Earth Day Book Drive. Look for the blue bin at several locations throughout Hammond from Monday, April 19th through Saturday, April 24th. Help us

support local business, recycle responsibly and keep books out of landfills and in the hands of readers.

Blue book bins will be available at the following locations:

- Jean Shepherd Community Center, 3031 J.F. Mahoney Drive

- The Pavilion at Wolf Lake, guardhouse area, 2324 Calumet Avenue
- Hammond Civic Center, 5825 Sohl Avenue
- Hammond Sportsplex, 6630 Indianapolis Boulevard.

For more information, call Donna at (219) 853-7708 or visit gohammond.com.



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DETAILS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Washington Field Office is seeking the public's assistance in identifying individuals who made unlawful entry into the United States Capitol Building and assaulted federal law enforcement personnel on January 6, 2021, in Washington, D.C.

Anyone with information regarding these individuals, or anyone who witnessed any unlawful violent actions at the Capitol or near the area, is asked to contact the FBI's Toll-Free Tipline at 1-800-CALL-FBI (1-800-225-5324) to verbally report tips. You may also submit any information, photos, or videos that could be relevant online at fbi.gov/USCapitol. You may also contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.

When calling to provide a tip on one of these individuals, please reference the above photo number, including the AFO.

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CITY OF HAMMOND TO EXPAND BLUENET SYSTEM

Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr.



HAMMOND POLICE DEPARTMENT

Hammond Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. is pleased to announce that the City of Hammond is expanding

their BLUENET System. The expansion will allow businesses and citizens to voluntarily connect their camera systems with the Hammond Police giving the police the ability to access their camera system when a crime has been committed or when an investigation is underway, to aide in solving crimes.

“This expansion to the BLUENET System will enhance the crime fighting cameras, License Plate Readers, and the body cams already in use,” stated Mayor McDermott. “It’s important to keep up with

the new technology to assist in fighting crime and keeping Hammond safe. It also provides our citizens an opportunity to assist in keeping their community safe”.

Several years ago, the Hammond Police implemented a contact protocol system increasing the number of contacts officers had with observed infraction violators. HPD then added LPRs which were installed in new patrol vehicles. The LPRs assist the police in detecting persons wanted for a crime already committed. Within the first

hour of the LPRs being in use, it notified officers of a stolen vehicle, and has helped solve many other crimes since.

“I wish they had this technology when I started my career with the Hammond Police”, stated Police Chief William Short. “With this knowledge, we have become more proactive instead of reactive. Partnering with our businesses and citizens will only have a positive effect on the tools we have to fight crime.”

Source: City of Hammond

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