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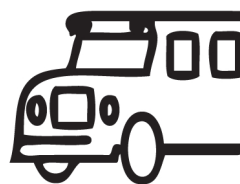
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# Purdue Northwest hosts second annual Digital Marketing Competition

HAMMOND and WESTVILLE, Ind. — Purdue University Northwest's (PNW) College of Business is pleased to host the second annual Digital Marketing Competition (DMC). The international student competition challenges collegiate teams of two to four students to create and present a digital marketing campaign based on a case study supplied by the competition sponsor. This year's final presentations will be held virtually on Dec. 12.

The DMC was created by Matthew Hanson, clinical assistant professor of marketing at PNW, in response to the rapidly growing field of digital marketing. Working with corporate sponsors from across the country, Hanson, who facilitates the competition, explains the goal of the contest: "It's a mission to create an environment where companies, professors and students work together to increase their education in digital marketing, and do it all together."

The contest is in its second year and has attracted more than 100 colleges and universities from around the world. Open to teams of undergraduate students currently enrolled at a college/university, each team must have a professor of record and each university can enter more than one team. This year

participants were asked to solve several objectives based on a case study provided by competition sponsor Changed.

Student teams submit an eight-minute video that highlights the team's research, paid and owned digital marketing strategy and an overview of media placement and evaluation methods. The top five entries then advance to the final round where a panel of industry professionals will judge each team's presentation. The top three teams will receive \$1,000, \$500 and \$250, respectively. Awards will also be handed out for best research/strategy, best owned strategy, best paid strategy and best media/evaluation.

Last year's winning team was from Western Michigan University.

This year's sponsors include: Changed, Facebook, Digital Helium, White Lodging, Stukent, Digital Target Marketing, SEMrush, WeCreate, The Barbauld Agency and Acadium.

*Source: Purdue University Northwest*

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The production will be presented similar to a radio show with actors on the stage in costume but spaced apart on platforms. The show is a comedy full of wacky and all too familiar characters who will come to life via livestream.

Cast includes: Matt Feddeler, of Highland, as Wadsworth, Aranza

Toral-Arellanoas, of Portage, as Yvette; Adrianna Alvarez, of Hammond, as Miss Scarlett; Abigail Wojtaszek, of Hammond, as Mrs. Peacock; Gwyneth Wragg, of Lansing, as Mrs. White; Reagan Graan, of Crown Point, as Colonel Mustard; Indigo Moore, of Whiting, as Professor Plum; Olivia Baczkowski, of Hobart, as Mr. Green; Jeremiah Johnson, of Gary, as Narrator; Amaurii Fallen, of Hammond, as Mr. Body; Katie Seleb, of Hammond, as Cook and Singing Telegram Girl; Airyal Smith, of Highland, as Motorist and Cop; Sophia Mendez, of Whiting, as Cop and Stage Hand; and Kathryn Zaragoza, of Chicago, as Cop and Stage Hand.

*Source: Bishop Noll Institute*

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# American Diabetes Association Review on Social Determinants of Health and Diabetes

Today, the American Diabetes Association® (ADA), the nation's leading organization for all people living with diabetes, published a scientific review addressing social determinants of health (SDOH) and diabetes. Toward the goal of understanding and improving the health of people with diabetes through addressing SDOH, a writing committee—convened by the ADA—reviewed past evidence and research on diabetes risk and outcomes, as well as the impacts of interventions in these determinants.

“People living with diabetes face many challenges. Some of these relate to the disease itself, but increasingly we recognize the importance of many social determinants,” said Robert A. Gabbay, Chief Scientific and Medical Officer for the ADA. “The scientific review not only defines these issues but shines a bright light on the resulting health disparities and articulates an important research agenda to address these issues. The release of this important scientific review underlines the American Diabetes Association's commitment for #HealthEquityNow.”

As defined by the World Health Organization (WHO), social determinants of health are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work, and age. These circumstances are shaped by the distribution of money, power, and

resources at global, national, and local levels. The social determinants of health are mostly responsible for health inequities—the unfair and avoidable differences in health status seen within and between countries. The COVID-19 pandemic has further exposed unequal vulnerabilities that impact racial and ethnic minority groups and disadvantaged communities. Understanding and mitigating the impact of SDOH for people with diabetes are priorities due to disease prevalence, economic costs, and disproportionate population burden.

The ADA committee summarized the following recommendations from international and U.S. national committees that have convened to provide guidance on SDOH intervention approaches:

- establish consensus core SDOH definitions and metrics,
- examine specificities in SDOH pathways and impacts among different populations with diabetes,
- prioritize a next generation of research that targets SDOH as the root cause of diabetes inequities,
- use dissemination and implementation science to ensure SDOH considerations are embedded within diabetes research and evaluation studies, and

- train researchers in methodological and experimental techniques for multisector and next generation SDOH intervention studies.

“This is a critical time in our nation's history. As researchers and providers, we have the opportunity to advance solutions to the longstanding inequities that impact diabetes and other health conditions,” said Dr. Felicia Hill-Briggs, past ADA President of Health Care and Education and Chair of the SDOH writing committee. “Through this SDOH review, the American Diabetes Association is taking an important step toward acknowledging and setting the stage for the important research, policy, and implementation work that must be done in order to change the trajectory of inequity.”

Source: American Diabetes Association

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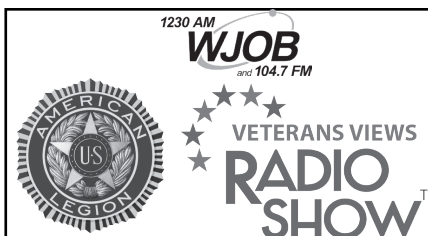
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# Meals on Wheels names new Volunteer Manager



November 16, 2020 – Charlie Misovye has been named Volunteer Manager for Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana (MOW).

Previously Charlie served as the Group Sales Coordinator for Theatre at the Center located at The Center for Visual and Performing Arts in Munster, IN. He also coordinated their Theatre for Young Audiences program, the Friends of the Theatre donor program as well as various fundraising and special events. He holds a Bachelors degree in Theatre from Illinois State University and has worked as a professional actor,

singer, dancer, director and choreographer throughout the Midwest.

Charlie will soon be announcing an exciting new Volunteer Campaign for Meals on Wheels, “The Gift of Volunteering is Priceless.” Help spread the joy of the holiday season by delivering meals to those in your community. We provide the meals. You provide the wheels! Be a part of something bigger than yourself and discover how you can become great by serving others. Turn your compassion into action and volunteer!

Meals on Wheels goes beyond just the meal. Volunteers are trained to deliver a personal connection and wellness check with every single meal.

Founded in 1977, Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana delivers 1,300 nutritious meals each day with a wellness check and friendly visit to people in Lake, Porter, Newton, and Jasper counties.

To volunteer with Meals on Wheels, visit [www.mownwi.org](http://www.mownwi.org) or call Charlie at 219-756-3663.

*Source: Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana*



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# Hammond couple's donations benefit Purdue Northwest Athletics program

HAMMOND and WESTVILLE, Ind. – The Purdue University Northwest (PNW) Department of Athletics advanced its commitment to student-athlete development through several generous gifts from a local couple with longtime ties to the university.

Richard (Dick) Weiss, '71 M.A., and his wife, Donelle, in addition to a PNW Day of Giving contribution, have made a commitment in support of the strength and conditioning program at PNW. With their donations, the athletics department was able to hire a full-time strength and conditioning coach.

"It's a game changer for us now that we're in a much more competitive arena, the NCAA Division II," PNW Director of Athletics Rick Costello said. "To have these kinds of resources to train our student-athletes is invaluable. We are extremely grateful for Dick and Donelle's generosity and their continued support."

Dick Weiss grew up in Hammond with an interest in teaching, earning bachelor's and master's degrees in general education. In the late 1970s, he made the switch from education to real estate, establishing the Richard Weiss Company. Donelle Weiss, a native of East Chicago, worked as a journalist for the Post-Tribune and as an advisor to what was then the Hammond campus's student-operated newspaper, the Chronicle.

"Our history with Purdue Northwest and the athletics department goes way back," Dick Weiss said. "The Fitness Center opened while Donelle was working on campus and we've been using it ever since. We've gotten to know everybody there."

Through the Fitness Center and the contacts they had made there, Dick and Donelle became aware of the need for a strength and conditioning coach. Dick said everything aligned soon after PNW moved from the NAIA to NCAA Division II. "We had been savers our entire lives and we'd reached the point where we were looking to give back. I became aware that PNW was in need of a full-time strength and conditioning coach and that lined up with our thinking," Weiss explained.

"One of the facets of a successful intercollegiate athletics program is

developing the strength and agility of the student-athletes. It's an advantage to have the student-athletes training year-round and following a nutrition program," Costello stated. "It's the whole concept approach to developing outstanding student-athletes. Thanks to Dick and Donelle, we were able to name a full-time head coach to oversee strength and conditioning."

"For us it isn't about the wins and losses, that's not the objective," stated Weiss. "It's about the growth and development of these student-athletes – developing good life skills, life balance and commitment."

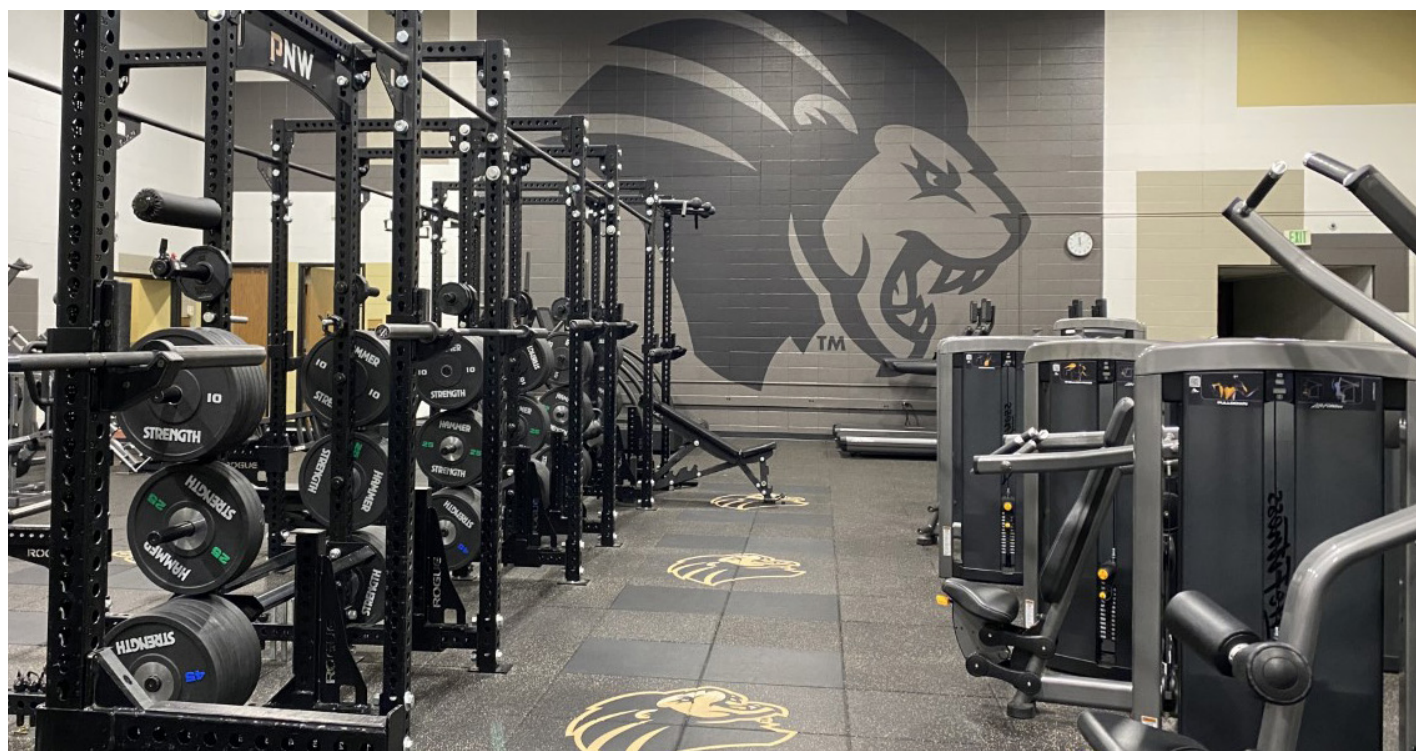
The Weiss donations are part of a six-year commitment and have totaled \$150,000 to date.

## **Purdue University Northwest Athletics**

Purdue Northwest Athletics consists of 300 student athletes and 15 sports

and is a member of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) and NCAA Division II. Intercollegiate athletic teams are fielded in men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's tennis, women's volleyball, men's and women's golf, softball and baseball. PNW Esports is in its first year of varsity competition. Men's Ice Hockey is offered as a non-varsity sport. Purdue Northwest has recently developed new basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, baseball, tennis, esports and ice hockey facilities. For more information on the Purdue University Northwest Athletics program please go to [www.PNWathletics.com](http://www.PNWathletics.com).

*Source: Marketing & Communications  
Purdue Northwest*





# Red Cross and country music star Martina McBride urge Americans to give comfort through blood donation

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (Nov. 16, 2020) —The American Red Cross and country music star Martina McBride have joined together this holiday season to remind people to take care of one another, sharing comfort and joy with hospitals patients through the gift of blood donation. Health emergencies don't pause for a pandemic or holiday celebrations. The Red Cross needs the help of blood donors across the country and here in the Indiana-Ohio Region now to ensure patients continue to have access to lifesaving blood.

As the U.S. experiences a new surge in COVID-19 cases, the Red Cross is becoming increasingly concerned about the nation's blood supply – including convalescent plasma. A convalescent plasma donation collects plasma from COVID-19 survivors because antibodies to the disease in their blood may help patients who are currently fighting the virus. Increased hospitalization of patients with coronavirus this fall and winter has caused the Red Cross to distribute a record number of COVID-19 plasma products to hospitals treating patients who are battling the virus.

This holiday season, Martina McBride is reaching out to country music fans and all eligible individuals. "If nobody has ever asked you to give blood before, I'm asking you to give blood – especially during this trying time," she said.

As a thank-you for helping meet the need for blood donations from Nov. 15 through

Dec. 15, Suburban Propane is offering blood, platelet and plasma donors a chance to win an Outdoor Living Experience, powered by Propane, to enable a lucky winner to enjoy socially distanced celebrations with family and friends this holiday season. The prize includes a propane-powered pizza oven, fire pit, outdoor heater and stipend towards propane.\*

"Through our SuburbanCares initiative, giving back to our local communities is a top priority, and what better way to do that than to donate blood. Suburban is delighted to sponsor a Propane Experience Giveaway to help motivate more people to give the gift of life this holiday season," said Nandini Sankara, spokesperson for Suburban Propane.

Eligible individuals are urged to make an appointment to donate blood now to help patients in need. Find a donation opportunity using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

"Giving comfort to patients by providing lifesaving blood products is fundamental to the Red Cross mission. However, it's not possible without the support of generous blood donors and dedicated partners, like Martina McBride and Suburban Propane," said Paul Sullivan, senior vice president at the Red Cross. "While we have certainly experienced unparalleled hardships this year, we have also witnessed great acts of kindness – like

COVID-19 survivors rolling up their sleeves to share their antibodies with patients battling the illness. Donating blood, plasma or platelets is an act of kindness that truly makes a lifesaving difference."

## Lifesaving plasma brings joy and a second chance

Lacy Atkinson is a 37-year-old COVID-19 survivor, in part thanks to a stranger who rolled up their sleeves to donate convalescent plasma and help her body fight back. Atkinson's life was turned upside down when she was hospitalized for COVID-19 in September. During her stay, infectious disease doctors tried multiple treatments to help her recover with limited success – but she just wasn't getting better. "My oxygen levels were still low, and I had severe pneumonia in both my lungs," Atkinson said.

Desperate to help her, doctors offered the one treatment they had left: convalescent plasma. Thankfully, this treatment helped her recover. "I felt such gratitude for the donor who helped me beat COVID. I have a husband, two kids and three dogs that I desperately wanted to get home to. I have a lot of life left to live! I'm so thankful that plasma was available when I needed it."

## COVID-19 antibody testing of blood donations

The Red Cross is testing all blood donations for COVID-19 antibodies which helps provide insight to donors concerning possible prior exposure to this virus. Donors can expect to receive the results of their

antibody test within one to two weeks through our Red Cross Blood Donor App or on the donor portal at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org). As part of this effort, plasma from whole blood donations that test positive for COVID-19 antibodies may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma. Each week, whole blood donors with COVID-19 antibodies are helping to contribute between 350-500 units of potentially lifesaving convalescent plasma for patients in need.

The Red Cross is not administering diagnostic tests intended to diagnose illness. As such, to protect the health and safety of our staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

## Blood donation safety precautions

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

*Source: American Red Cross*



# COVID-19 cardiovascular registry opens to broader research community

All scientific researchers from across the United States are now able to submit research proposals to the American Heart Association's Quality Research program to use its nationwide dataset from the COVID-19 CVD Registry Powered by Get With The Guidelines®. Previous proposals were only considered from the initial participating 160 sites submitting data.

The Association's COVID-19 CVD Registry captures data on patient clinical characteristics, medications, treatments, labs, vitals, biomarkers and outcomes for adult patients hospitalized with COVID-19 including those without a history of cardiovascular disease or stroke. To date, more than 22,000 deidentified patients' health measures and data points are available in the registry.

The deadline for the third round of research proposals is Wednesday, December 2, 2020, at 5 p.m. CST. Proposals

will be reviewed on a rolling basis by the Association's COVID-19 Research and Publications Committee and will be evaluated based on priority, novel contribution to the scientific literature, feasibility with the data collected and merit.

Accepted proposals will contribute to the further understanding of the complexities of COVID-19 and its impact on cardiovascular and stroke care and outcomes. Once accepted, researchers can begin analyzing the data collected on the case record form on the Precision Medicine Platform.

"Research is key to tracking the effectiveness of treatments and patterns in patient outcomes. Having access to this rapidly growing data set provides the potential for multiple teams to develop simultaneous breakthroughs on multiple fronts," explains James de Lemos, M.D., volunteer co-chair of the steering committee for the registry and professor of medicine and the Sweetheart Ball-Kern Wildenthal, M.D., Ph.D., distinguished chair in Cardiology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. "This is instrumental in helping health care professionals gather the evidence needed to rapidly adjust protocols

for COVID-19 patients and reflects the importance of the American Heart Association's COVID-19 CVD registry."

The American Heart Association, the leading voluntary health organization devoted to a world of longer, healthier lives, built this innovative, hospital-based, quality improvement program with more than two decades of success delivering its Get With The Guidelines® (GWTG) programs to hospitals and health systems across the U.S. GWTG programs that collect data on evidence-based quality achievement measures that can help inform patient decision making.

In alignment with the American Heart Association's efforts to accelerate research impact and streamline research collaboration, this data is made available for approved research on the AHA Precision Medicine Platform (PMP), a secure cloud-computing platform hosted by the Association's Institute for Precision Cardiovascular Medicine. Through the Precision Medicine Platform, the Association makes the aggregate, deidentified dataset available to many researchers simultaneously and maintain patient data privacy.

Participating in the AHA COVID-19 CVD Registry is available at no-cost to hospitals. In addition to being specifically designed to track all hospitalized COVID-19 patients to get real-time data from across the nation, the registry includes the following features:

- access to national and regional benchmarks;
- ability to use key learnings and data for future pandemic preparedness;
- leverage the registry for powerful rapid research; and
- in the near future, the capability for enhanced measures and reports.

As a quality improvement program, investigator-led research opportunities using the aggregate, deidentified dataset were initially provided to investigators at institutions participating in the Registry. These early studies have already provided a robust source of data to inform clinical practice to potentially improve patient outcomes. Late-breaking advances will be presented at AHA's Scientific Sessions, describing initial results from the registry including racial and ethnic differences in treatment and outcomes and association of body mass index with cardiovascular outcomes in COVID-19 patients.

*Source: American Heart Association*

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# The 45th Great American Smokeout: A Day to Start a Healthy, Smoke-Free Life

**With COVID-19 concerns, there has never been a better time to quit**

ATLANTA, Nov. 16, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Tobacco use continues to be the leading cause of preventable death in the United States, accounting for about 30% of all cancer deaths. While fewer people are smoking cigarettes and smoking rates have drastically dropped in the U.S. during the past several decades, there are still an estimated 34.2 million people in the U.S. who smoke. For this year's 45th Great American Smokeout on Thursday, November 19, 2020, the American Cancer Society (ACS) is reminding people who smoke to use this as a day to make a plan to commit to a tobacco- and smoke-free life year-round, especially people who are at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

"Based on what is known at this time, people who smoke might be at increased risk for complications from COVID-19, and we are concerned about worsening disparities of smoking-related illness and COVID-19 in high-risk populations," said Laura Makaroff, senior vice president, prevention and early detection, American Cancer Society. "There's never been a better time to quit smoking, and the sooner someone quits, the more they can reduce their chances of developing tobacco-related diseases."

The ACS has hosted the Great American Smokeout since 1976 as a public

awareness event to encourage people to quit smoking. It is held annually on the third Thursday of November.

Smoking rates in the U.S. have declined from 42% in 1965 to 13.7% in 2018, but the gains are inconsistent, and some groups continue to smoke and smoke more heavily than others. Each year, more than 55% of the 34 million people who smoke in the U.S. try to quit. However, only about 1.2 million (7.4%) who try to quit succeed each year, in part because of lack of access to cessation resources and support. While quitting smoking can be difficult, people can increase their chances of success if they have a plan including nicotine replacement therapy or other FDA-approved medications and counseling.

Tobacco use is not just a health issue, and while disparities have narrowed, they persist in many populations based on

education, socioeconomic status, race/ethnicity, LGBTQ community, and those with mental illness, in the military and in certain geographic areas. These populations tend to be those who experience inequities in multiple areas of their lives and can affect the choices a person makes, but more importantly can affect a person's opportunity to be as healthy as possible. Addressing these disparities will require engaging community members and cross-sector partners such as corporate partners, community-

based organizations (e.g., faith-based organizations), community leaders, investors and funders, academic institutions, health systems, and government.

ACS is here to provide support to help people who smoke quit smoking for good. For more information, to connect to a free telephone quitline, or to access resources to help make a plan to quit, visit [cancer.org](https://cancer.org).

*Source: American Cancer Society*



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Race ..... Hispanic  
Height ..... 5'11"  
Weight ..... 254 Pounds  
Eyes ..... Brown  
Hair ..... Black  
Marks/Scars/Tattoos ..  
Wanted For: ..... Pre-Trial Release Violation  
Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana,  
Hammond Division  
Date of Warrant ..... 8/24/2010  
Original Charge: ..... Dealing Marijuana.



## WANTED

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Alias: .....  
Sex ..... Female  
Race ..... African American  
Height ..... 5'6"  
Weight ..... 135 Pounds  
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Hair ..... Black  
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Wanted For ..... Supervised Release Violation  
Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana  
Hammond Division  
Date of Warrant ..... 9/12/2017  
Original Charge: ..... Tax Fraud



## WANTED

Name: ..... Teamer, Charles  
Alias: .....  
Sex ..... Male  
Race ..... African American  
Height ..... 5'7"  
Weight ..... 140 Pounds  
Eyes ..... Brown  
Hair ..... Black  
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Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana  
Hammond Division  
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Race ..... Mexican  
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# Largest flagpole in Chicago region, second largest in Indiana, now sits beside new, high-tech facility.

HAMMOND, IN – November 23, 2020 – After a construction period filled with numerous innovative highlights, the new Digital Crossroad (DX) data center in Hammond, IN now



boasts another unique feature: the largest flagpole in the Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana region.

The new 164-foot-tall flagpole ranks among the top 10 tallest flagpoles in the United States, according to DX officials. It was selected to honor U.S. veterans and symbolize the achievements made throughout the transformative project.

“This entire project shows the heights that can be reached when we work together,” said Hammond Mayor Thomas McDermott Jr. “The City of Hammond is proud of Digital Crossroad, and proud of our local and state partners that

helped complete this fantastic project along our shoreline.”

“It took a lot of hard work involving people from lots of different organizations to bring this project to life. What was once an unused industrial site is now an advanced-facility with many progressive features, and we just wanted to thank everyone by raising a flag – high – for all their hard work and effort,” said Thomas P. Dakich, managing member with DX.

The first phase of the Digital Crossroad campus, DX-1, is fully operational and comprises a 105,000-square-foot, 20 MegaWatt (MW) data center on 15 acres with dedicated dark

fiber access to hundreds of telecommunication carriers and cloud on-ramps. The campus is an adaptive reuse development of the former State Line Generating Plant and will eventually support more than 1.7 million square feet and 100MW of data center capacity. In addition, the campus will feature a tech incubator located in the Archway building, which served as office space for Thomas Edison, and a smart greenhouse, which is being developed in partnership with Purdue University Northwest to recycle waste heat from the data center.

Source: Nick Dmitrovich

## Season's Greetings



**Barry Tyler Jr**  
Hammond 3rd District Councilman

## PNW Graduate Celebrations

We are pleased to share additional information about the upcoming opportunities to commemorate your graduation from Purdue University Northwest.

The registration link for the Graduate Celebration Events will open on Friday, Nov. 6, at noon CT. Beginning at that time, you can reserve a time slot to access this commemorative photo opportunity via the PNW website.

As announced last week, these events offer a unique opportunity to take photos on a stage that will be set up in the Great Hall (Westville, Dec. 4-5) and Alumni Hall (Hammond, Dec. 11-12). Each graduate is welcome to bring up to four guests to the indoor photo sessions. This is the maximum number of guests that can be

accommodated during the events, to allow for proper social distancing in the space available and to give as many graduates as possible the opportunity to participate in the time available.

PNW will provide one free professional portrait of each graduate participating in the celebration events, with the opportunity to purchase additional photos and to take your own photos and videos.

While we know it is disappointing to not have a formal commencement ceremony, we hope that many of you will participate in these on-campus, celebratory photo events. We all have a shared responsibility to protect the health and safety of people on our campuses and in the greater community during the ongoing pandemic.