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Up & Coming Events

Every 2nd & 4th Thursday

The New Hope Baptist Church Food Pantry will be held every 2nd and 4th Thursday starting May 28, 2020 at New Hope Too Fellowship Hall, 6634 Calumet, Hammond, IN, from 1:30 to 3:00 pm or until food runs out. Drive thru only. 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. Hunting Off Hohman, July 2-4 Experience the fun of the find at the Downtown Hammond Council's Hunting off Hohman on July 2, 3 and 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. along Hohman Avenue and side streets between Sibley and the expressway (175th Street)!

Businesses will host sidewalk sales, residents will host yard sales and vendors will sell treasures!

Please wear a mask and practice social distancing.

Contact Karen for more information 219-512-4298 Calls between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.) or like the Downtown Hammond Council on Facebook.



PRIORITY 1: KIDS ABOVE ALL

Kids Above All is drawing a line in the sand. Too many children, especially children from black and brown communities, are dying, suffering, and enduring daily trauma from racism, poverty, and violence. Policy makers, community members, the general public, all of us, haven't done enough to place the safety, well-being, and education of kids above everything else. That means giving kids, regardless of what they look like or what community they come from, every opportunity to have the best life possible. It's time to step up and stand up so all kids can achieve their full potential.

Formerly ChildServ, the Chicago-based non-profit is making their priority known, today, June 15, with their Kids Above All rebrand. The wordsmiths behind the Kids Above All action statement is Chicago-based marketing group, Landor Chicago. Their team provided marketing support and creative development, in kind, to support the charge, creating a name that captured the ethos and efforts of the organization and its supporters.

"It's more than a moniker. It's a rallying cry," said Landor Chicago Executive Creative Director Phyllis Murphy. "One that puts our city's kids on top, where they belong. The tone of voice and messaging we developed isn't shy—it speaks up, with compassion, determination and resolve, so that all communication becomes a platform for action."

"The new visual identity was designed to celebrate the unlimited potential and resiliency of each and every kid," said Landor Chicago Senior Designer Candace Carson.

Through the combined efforts of these groups, working together for a greater cause, the spark has been lit, the movement has begun.

The team at Kids Above All want people to understand that kids in every community in and around Chicago experience abuse, neglect, poverty, and violence, and they need people to step up and help so they can have the best life possible.

"Kids Above All is a statement of prioritity and principle. It's a defiant and powerful call-to-action, challenging every member of the community to place the safety, well-being and education of all kids above everything else," said Kids Above All President and CEO Dan Kotowski. "We are the forward momentum behind our kids, and we need to, once and for all, stand up for them so they can rise above their challenges and build better lives."

Kids Above All is providing innovative ways to help children heal from trauma and expanding their home-based early childhood and daycare programs as part of the rebrand to address the already dire situation. The pandemic has simply added insult to injury. Parents of children in their programs have lost their jobs, requiring food, clothing, rent, and other financial assistance. Homeless teenagers are being shut off from access to education due to inadequate access to technology. Children in foster care face uncertainty,

due to court closures, as to when their cases will be completed so they can finally be with their forever families.

Kids Above All is a call to action. The Kids Above All staff urge people to join them in placing the safety, well-being, and education of kids above everything else, day in, and day out.

Let's talk about:

- Donations we needHow to become a foster parent or mentor
- How to get involved
- Events still happening in support of non-profits

About Kids Above All: Established in 1894, Kids Above All has long been a trusted community resource for children, families, and young adults in northern Illinois.

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An Open Door Church

7105 Hohman Ave., Hammond, IN Drs. Meredith & Marilyn Shackelford (219) 803-0045
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
www.anopendoorchurch.org

Bethel Congregational C.O.G.I.C.815 Michigan St., Hammond, INDeacon Lester Stokes(219) 931-1301Sunday School9:00 a.m.Sunday10:30 a.m.Friday7:30 p.m.

Black Oak Church of Christ2844 Stevenson St., Gary, INPastor Steve MartinezSunday10:30 a.m.

Greater Works Outreach Prayer and Deliverance Ministry

5125 Hohman Ave., Hammond, IN Apostle Jose Ruiz (219) 852-0677 Sunday 11:30 a.m Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Friday www.greaterwksmin.com

Hammond Christian Reformed Church 1910 167th St, Hammond, IN Pastor Donald Jabaay (219) 844-3331 Sunday School 9:50 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study Tuesday 6:00 p.m www.hammondcrc.org

Hyde Park United Methodist Church

Thursday Thrift shop 9:00 a.m. - Noon

6348 Harrison Ave., Hammond, IN

Preacher Darryl Dorton

Sunday 12:30 p.m.

Last Saturday of the month

Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Reverend William R. Collins

Free Pancake breakfast 9-11 am

1047 Kenwood St., Hammond, IN

11:00 am

Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm

New Community Baptist Church

Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study Wednesday12:00 p.m.

707 169th Street, Hammond, IN

Rev. Patrick H Gillis, Pastor

www.ncbc-hammond.com

6:00 pm

9:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

(219) 932-0613

(219) 931-4337

Wednesday Prayer

(219) 931-8407

Sunday School

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New Hope Missionary Baptist Church 1117 Merrill St., Hammond, IN Reverend Herman A. Polk, Sr. (219) 932-5955 Sunday 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 am Wednesday 8:30 am, 1:30 & 7:00 pm

New Salem Missionary Baptist Church 833 Conkey St., Hammond, IN Pastor Wayne Hudson (219) 932-0999 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

New Zion Temple Church 926 Morris Street, Hammond, IN Bishop Brandon A. Jacobs (219) 931-ZION (9466) Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 11:30 a.m. Wednesday Prayer 6:30 p.m. Wed Bible Study 7:00 p.m. www.newziontemple.org

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7227 Hohman Ave, Hammond, IN (219) 932-4660 Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. On FACEBOOK Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church www.trinityhammond.com

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Five area high school students awarded scholarships

Hammond And Westville, Ind. Purdue University Northwest's (PNW) Office of Concurrent Enrollment awarded scholarships to area high school students who participated in the concurrent enrollment program.

The scholarship recognizes five highly motivated and engaged students wishing to attend Purdue Northwest. Among the recipients are Samantha Frederick, Lake Central High School; Romulo Gutierrez, Hammond Academy of Science and Technology; Benjamin Hand, Munster High School; Conner Olah, Highland High School; and Audry Wright, Kankakee Valley High School.

To qualify for the scholarship, students had to complete a minimum of three dual credit courses in high school and enroll as full-time PNW students starting in the fall 2020 semester. They also needed to have a minimum high school GPA of 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale).

Awards were based on a 500word essay the students wrote explaining the impact that taking university coursework, while in high school, had on their decision to attend college.

Concurrent enrollment, also known as dual credit, allows students at participating high schools to take courses that count toward both high school and college credit. Data on concurrent enrollment programs statewide indicates an academic and economic benefit to high school students, as well as a pathway to higher education. PNW partnered with 27 Indiana high schools across Lake, La Porte and Porter counties during the 2019-20 academic year. "We're so proud to welcome these five new students to Purdue Northwest. Their coursework in concurrent enrollment programs has prepared them to meet the challenges of college life," said Anne Gregory, director of PNW's School of Education and Counseling and director of PNW's Concurrent Enrollment Program.

The winners were personally presented a PNW congratulatory sign posted in the front yard of their homes, along with a parade of cars decorated with gold and black streamers.

Purdue University Northwest

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.

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Strack & Van Til patrons raise more than \$43,000 to deliver meals to seniors

Highland, Indiana (June 9, 2020) – Strack and Van Til presented Meals on Wheels \$43,431.09 from the Checkout Challenge, providing emergency funding for meal delivery to northwest Indiana seniors in need.

From May 4, 2020 to May 17, 2020, Strack & Van Til customers had the chance to Round Up their purchase in support of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana.

"Strack & Van Til customers continue to amaze us with their compassion and generosity," said Jeff Strack, CEO of Strack & Van Til. "The health and well-being of people in the communities we serve is so important to Strack & Van Til, and we are thrilled that our customers gave so much to help our senior neighbors."

"This is a time when it is critical to keep delivering nutrition and community support to our clients," said Sandra Noe, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels Northwest Indiana. "We thank Strack & Van Til for partnering with us and all the Strack & Van Til patrons who rounded up their purchases. Your gifts will go a long way to ensuring the health of area seniors."

Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana delivers nutritional meals to people in Lake, Porter, Newton, Jasper, and Starke counties; serving 1,400 meals each day. During the coronavirus pandemic, Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana has expanded its services to meet the community need. Throughout June, clients are receiving free weekend frozen meals, thanks in part to the generosity of Strack & Van Til and their customers.

To support Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana or register for meals, visit www.mownwi.org.

College Bound Deadline Approaches

Hammond Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. would like to remind all returning college students and high school seniors to apply for the College Bound Scholarship Program. This Program provides eligible students with up to \$10,500 per year toward tuition at the accredited college or university of their choice located in Indiana.

The deadline for the College Bound Application is Thursday, July 2, 2020. Returning students will need to complete an application, provide proof of homestead, FAFSA filing and school transcripts. New students will need to complete an application, provide proof of homestead and date home was purchased, letter of acceptance to college/university, FAFSA filing, school transcripts, and SAT/ACT score. All returning and new students are required to perform 40 hours of community service each year. Failure to perform community service hours may result in loss of scholarship and repayment of said scholarship. All community service hours are scheduled through the College Bound office.

Applications can be found at the student's high school guidance counselor's office or online at **collegebound. gohammond.com.** Again, the deadline for applying for College Bound is Thursday, July 2, 2020 and all applications must be in the College Bound office no later than July 2nd.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Daniels, College Bound Coordinator at 219-853-6503.

Warning Signs of a Heart Attack

Don't wait to get help if you experience any of these heart attack warning signs. Some heart attacks are sudden and intense. But most start slowly, with mild pain or discomfort. Pay attention to your body and call 911 if you experience:

• Chest discomfort. Most heart attacks involve discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes – or it may go away and then return. It can feel like uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.

- Discomfort in other areas of the upper body. Symptoms can include pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.
- Shortness of breath. This can occur with or without chest discomfort.
- Other signs. Other possible signs include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.



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NIRPC to hold public comment period changes to 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) will hold a 21-day public comment period on the draft changes to the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The comment period begins today and will end July 1, 2020.

NIRPC's TIP is a shortrange financial and spending plan for the utilization of federal transportation funding. These funds can be used for highway, transit, and non-motorized transportation projects. NIRPC's TIP is periodically updated and includes projects undertaken by municipalities, counties, transit operators, and the State of Indiana. Federal planning regulations guide the preparation and development of TIP documents.Comments may be submitted until June 30, 2020 in the following ways:

Online Form: https://bit.ly/2MPhPR2

Phone: 219-763-6060 United States Postal Service: NIRPC, 6100 Southport Road, Portage, IN 46368

All comments received during the 21-day public comment period will be compiled into a public comment report and responded to. This report will be made available to the public and distributed to the relevant NIRPC committees prior to any action on these items. It is anticipated that action will be taken at the July 7, 2020 meeting of the Technical Planning Committee, followed by the July 16, 2020 meeting of the NIRPC Full Commission/ Executive Board.

Documents and information will be available for review at NIRPC's website at www.nirpc. org. Requests for alternative formats may be directed to NIRPC by calling 219-763-6060, or by email at nirpc@nirpc.org. TTY users may use the Relay Indiana service by calling 711 or 800-743-3333.

NIRPC is the Metropolitan Planning Organization and regional council of local governments for Northwest Indiana. NIRPC's purpose, as put forth in Indiana state statute, is to "provide a coordinative management process for Lake, Porter, and LaPorte Counties and to institute and maintain a comprehensive planning and programming process for transportation, economic development, and environmental policy.

Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana Receives Funding from First Merchants Bank Covid I 9 Response Fund

Gary June 16, 2020—Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana announced today that it received a \$5,000 matching grant from First Merchant Bank's Covid19 Response Fund. First Merchants Bank will match any gift of \$50 or more to Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana dollar for dollar. Funds will be used to provide volunteers and staff with PPE, sanitizers and cleaning products to use on home build sites and at Habitat ReStore's in Merrillville and Griffith, Indiana.

In addition to building affordable homes with and for struggling, working families, Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana operates two ReStores in Lake County. ReStores accept new and gently used home building materials to resell at a deep discount. Each ReStore helps to support the mission of Habitat, building homes, community and hope.

"Protection for volunteers, staff and customers are of the utmost concern. Being able to prepare for the ongoing pandemic and maintain safe environments for everyone we engage with is not only the right thing to do, it is key to ongoing operations. We are grateful for the opportunity to have funds matched from First Merchants Bank to purchase much needed PPE and disinfectants. The financial impacts due to the covid19 pandemic has been significant, especially due to the unbudgeted needs we now face," said Dawn Michaels, Executive Director of Habitat.

"The negative economic impact caused by this pandemic cannot be overstated, and First Merchants is committed to doing everything we can to assist our Lakeshore Region and our other communities during these difficult times," said First Merchants Regional President, Dale S. Clapp.

To contribute to Habitat for Humanity of NW Indiana's Covid19 Response Matching Grant, go to https://bit. ly/matchforcovid or visit nwihabitat.org/donate.

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Safety Village Classes for Kids

HAMMOND, IN – Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., Hammond Parks & Recreation and the Hammond Police Department proud to announce the return of Safety Village Classes for children in Hammond's miniature village in Windrich Park behind the Hammond Civic Center, 5825 S. Sohl Avenue. The classes are FREE and will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. from June 15 until August 7. Classes are open to all Lake County children. Classes will be taught by officers from the Hammond Police Department and feature neighborhood and traffic safety along with videos on bicycle safety. A limited number of bicycles and pedal cars are available for anyone who wishes to participate or participants may use their own bicycles. For larger groups or groups that may need special accommodations, please contact the Hammond Police Traffic Division at 219-852-2911.

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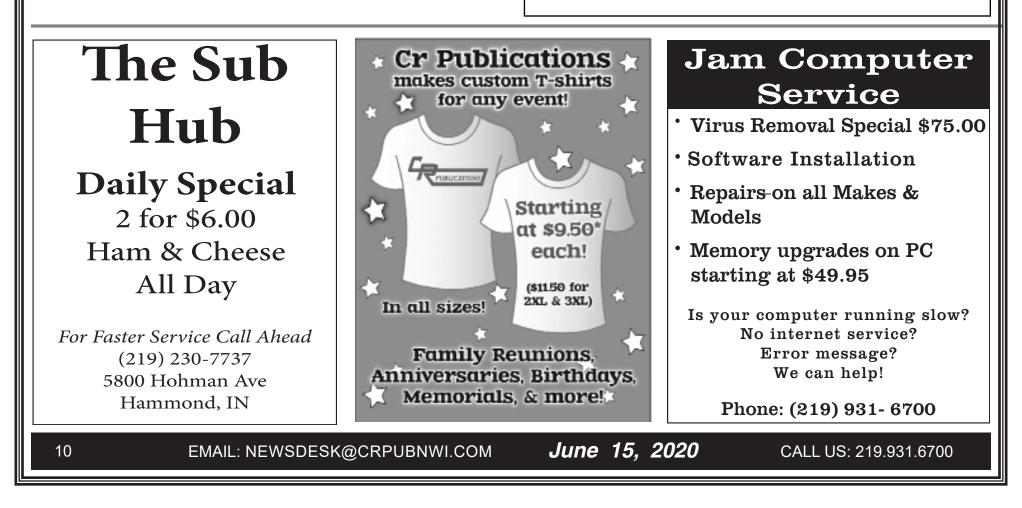
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blood donations for COVID-19 antibodies

Red Cross now testing

The American Red Cross is now testing all blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The antibody test used by the Red Cross is authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to the coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms. At the same time, there continues to be an urgent need for blood donations after hospital demand for blood products increased in recent weeks. The attached news release provides more detail about the antibody testing, how the Red Cross is helping protect the health and safety of donors and staff at blood drives, and why there is an urgent need for donors right now.

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