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This year's live entertainment features Tim Gleason & the Whisky Disco, Bourbon Aristocracy, and DJ Dalé. Various Region craft

and domestic beers will be available for your enjoyment. Manic Meadery returns this year and will be serving the Region's favorite meads. Food vendors exclusive to the Region will be on hand as well.

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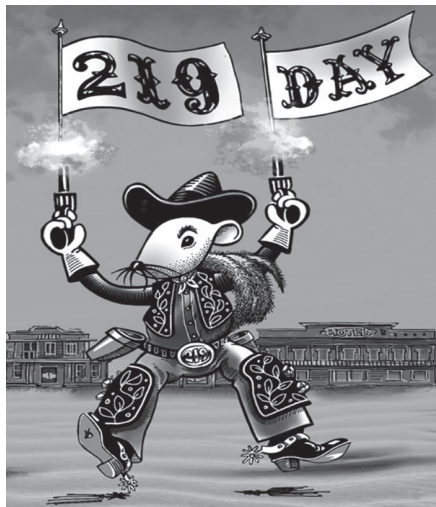
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For information about the event, please call 219.853.6378 or email info@219day.com

Source: City of Hammond



Mayor's Night Out 2024

March 27th	2nd District	Irving Elementary School Cafeteria 4727 Pine Avenue
May 15th	3rd District	Sportsplex and Community Center 6630 Indianapolis Boulevard
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Pastor Darryl Dorton

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Waterliving621@gmail.com

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newcommunitybapt@att.net
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The Towle Theater opens its 21st Season with the touching musical, *The Story of My Life*

The Towle Theater is pleased to open their 2024 Season with the Northwest Indiana premiere of the musical, *The Story of My Life* by Neil Bartram and Brian Hill. The production is Directed by Jeff Casey, Assistant Directed by Nikki Dizon and Music Direction by Elizabeth Tuazon. The production is sponsored by Calumet Electric Supply Corp. with Printing Sponsorship by Leon Dombrowski & Seda Turan and Accucraft Imaging.

The Story of My Life follows the friendship of Alvin and Thomas, two men from a small town. These lifelong friends are reunited after Alvin's mysterious death. In the abstract world of his mind, Thomas struggles to write Alvin's eulogy while recounting the many turns that their lives have taken since meeting as children. Alvin searches through the manuscripts and stories in Thomas' mind to lead him on a journey of remembrance. Through music and song, these two friends recount their adventures, explore their past dissonance and ultimately discover what is at the base of every strong friendship... love. The Towle welcomes newcomers Daniel Rausch (Chicago, IL) as Thomas Weaver and Max Trotter (Bensenville, IL) as Alvin Kelby.

The Story of My Life runs February 23-24, March 1-3, 8-10. Performances on Fridays and Saturdays are at

8pm and Sundays are at 2pm. The box office opens 1 hour prior to performance time. Tickets are only \$24 and must be paid for in advance. They are non-refundable and non-exchangeable. Group rates are available. There is no late seating. Please arrive no later than 15 minutes prior to curtain. IF you arrive after curtain, you will not be seated as there is no intermission.

2024 Season Tickets are also available for \$75. This purchase allows you to see all four shows in the season, *The Story of My Life*, *The Spider or the Fly?*, *Pippin* and *Slow Food*. It is a \$21 savings.

The Towle Theater is located in beautiful downtown Hammond at 5205 Hohman Avenue. Parking is available just off Fayette Street and only steps away from our alley entrance. For tickets or more information, please call 219-937-8780 or visit www.towletheater.org.

Source: Towle Theater



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Local Tows

PNW announces Black History Month events

Purdue University Northwest (PNW) will celebrate Black History Month throughout February with a lineup of events recognizing culture, achievements, community and history of Black Americans and the African diaspora.

"Black History Month serves as a vital platform for education, celebration and acknowledgment of the profound contributions of African Americans to every facet of society," said Darien Thompson, PNW director of Student Success and Urban Engagement. "By sharing and celebrating these accomplishments with the community, we not only honor the rich heritage of the Black community but also promote understanding, empathy and solidarity among all." PNW's Black History Month events will touch on a range of themes, including but not limited to student empowerment and expression, inequities in health and financial resources in urban communities, and Black history and art.

Open mic night

An open mic night on Feb. 20 offers a place for poets, singers,

and everybody in between to express themselves through performance.

Health disparities and public health solutions

The public is invited to a social justice spotlight discussion of health disparities in urban communities and public health solutions with Dr. Michael McGee, an urgent care and occupational health physician who specializes in public health access.

Lunch and Lead virtual event

Thompson will be the featured speaker for the Feb. 21 Lunch and Lead offered by the Leadership Institute and Society of Innovators at PNW.

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Toast to Black Excellence

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Source: Purdue University Northwest



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Left to right Scott Betustak - president Joe Betustak Sr. - retiring president Kevin Betustak - vice president

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The foundation began as a fund-raising event to help defray medical

costs when Joe was battling cancer. After Joe's passing, it was decided that a benefit would be held in his honor every year to assist local families in need.

Sgt. Joe Betustak was a Hammond resident, a graduate of St. Casimir School, Bishop Noll Institute, and St. Joseph's College. Joe joined the Hammond Police Department, fulfilling a lifelong dream. He wanted to make the streets safe

for children to play, just like when he was a kid. He started in patrol and went on to work in the motorcycle unit. Joe joined the SWAT team and narcotics unit, where he worked until he was diagnosed with osteosarcoma (bone cancer) in 2005. Joe passed away in late 2006, leaving behind a wife and 2 young children.

This year's benefit is May 20th at Hammond Mohawks, 4040 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, IN 46320. This benefit is being held in honor and remembrance of the late Tim Irwin, who was a beloved member of our foundation. The foundation has selected Ronald McDonald House to be this year's recipient. Activities at the benefit will include a motorcycle run, raffles, and live

music provided by local bands. Proceeds from the benefit will go to Ronald McDonald House.

We are humbly requesting your support to help those going through unimaginable hardship. Your donation will be advertised at the benefit, and your help will be greatly appreciated. Your generosity will make a difference. For more information or to make a donation, please contact Scott Betustak at: (219) 808-4734, or e-mail him at: betustakscott@yahoo.com. Thank you for taking a moment to read this, for your consideration, and for helping.

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NIRPC Selected To Host Fellow In Inaugural Economic Recovery Corps

The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) has been selected to host one of 65 Fellows placed nationwide as part of the Economic Recovery Corps (ERC) Fellowship program. The program aims to build capacity in economically distressed areas across the U.S. while cultivating the next generation of economic development leaders.

“From over 500 applications, NIRPC is honored to be selected to host Fellow Celena Green in this inaugural program,” stated Ty Warner, NIRPC Executive Director. “This is a unique opportunity to address an economic development need in Lake County that will spur the redevelopment of brownfield sites and assist in new business attraction along the new quantum computing fiber corridor.”

The ERC Fellowship was launched in 2023 through a \$30 million cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration (EDA). It is led by the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) and supported by six other national economic development organizations.

“ERC is more than a fellowship; it is a testament to the power of collaboration and strategic partnerships deeply needed to produce lasting social and economic impact. By joining forces with national partners, host organizations, funders, and practitioners eager for new models and practices, ERC will build capacity in places of need while supporting the next generation

of economic development leaders all while driving more equitable economic outcomes,” said Nathan Ohle, President & CEO of IEDC. “By investing in capacity building and leadership development, facilitating knowledge sharing and partnerships, the ERC program will set the stage for the future of economic development and a new age of collaboration in the economic development field.”

Each of the 65 projects across the U.S. receive a dedicated fellow who serves as a field catalyst to enhance, strengthen, and coordinate relationships and local efforts alongside the host organization. NIRPC partnered with the Northwest Indiana Forum in developing a project focused on the region’s readiness for the potentially transformative economic opportunities anticipated from the quantum computing fiber that will connect Chicago to South Bend. The corridor runs through Gary, Lake Station, East Chicago, and Hammond which all have an industrial heritage that has resulted in many underutilized and/or vacant brownfield sites. Redevelopment of these sites for new businesses seeking proximity to quantum computing fiber will provide additional tax base and jobs to these communities.

“Experience working with brownfields has shown that sites often have barriers to redevelopment beyond the environmental concerns,” Kathy Luther, NIRPC Director of Environmental Programs explained. “Our Fellow will be investigating multiple factors for each site.” Ms. Luther will serve

as a mentor to the Fellow during the 2.5-year fellowship that is fully funded by EDA.

The information generated from the in-depth site investigation will assist the four communities and the Northwest Indiana Forum in attraction of and negotiations with prospective businesses and developers. Some sites to be investigated may also be in newly established Transit Development Districts along the South Shore commuter rail line or in Opportunity Zones. The project’s outcome aims to identify eight sites that are between 10-50 acres, ready for business development or with specific redevelopment strategies suggested.

“The Fellow will be a welcome addition as we work to create investment ready assets in Northwest Indiana. We are continuing to add infrastructure and resources that will evolve our economy and build greater opportunities for our region for generations to come,” stated Heather Ennis, President & CEO of the Northwest Indiana Forum. Forum staff member Kay Nelson, Director, Environmental Affairs, will assist with Fellow mentoring.

“Ms. Green will be living and working in Northwest Indiana. Her contracted project deliverables will help boost local economies and revitalize communities. The selection of both host organizations and Fellows was rigorous,” explained Denarie Kane, NIRPC Economic Development District Coordinator. “The application process was



different from typical EDA grant opportunities, and the six-month collaboration with IEDC and their partner organizations was key to NIRPC developing a successful application.”

Ms. Green has spent her career supporting social enterprises and small businesses as they build capacity, secure funding, and plan for succession. She is founder of ProsperWorks, which provides tech tools and services to enable businesses to retain, engage, and reward their frontline workers, and FoundRE, which aids property owners and municipalities in activating underutilized or vacant commercial spaces.

“I spent three years in South Bend as an INVANTI Entrepreneur in Residence exploring the possibilities of technology to create market opportunities for brownfield redevelopment and the adaptive reuse of industrial spaces. I also served as a consultant/instructor for the SPARK Women Entrepreneurs Program at Saint Mary’s College and created the curriculum and training for the first 4 cohorts of the South Bend-Elkhart Regional Partnership’s HUSTLE- SBE program serving small business owners in that region,” said Ms. Green. “I am happy to return to Indiana to continue working with the business community and to activate vacant land for economic growth.”

Source: NIRPC

Millions protest against the Iraq War in coordinated day of action



Protest in London

On February 15, 2003, millions of people across over 600 cities worldwide take to the streets to protest the impending invasion of Iraq. In New York City, approximately 200,000 people gathered in the 25-degree weather to march to the United Nations building, where less than two weeks prior, Secretary of State Colin Powell falsely claimed that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. In Europe, crowds were even larger: Some three million are said to have demonstrated in Rome and 750,000 in London. Anti-war organizers reported that the worldwide demonstrations collectively formed the largest peace protest since those opposing the Vietnam War.

At the time, a New York Times analyst remarked of the demonstrations: "There may still be two superpowers on the

planet: the United States and world public opinion." Nonetheless, just over one month later, on March 19, 2003, the Bush Administration officially sent U.S. military forces into Iraq. It was the beginning of a nearly decade-long occupation.

The legacy of the February 15 protests is debated by those involved. The writer, filmmaker and activist Tariq Ali, who spoke at the

London protest, reflected a decade later that: "When they couldn't stop the war, most of them never came out again. There was a sense of frustration but it did not lead anywhere. It was a huge show of anger but that's about it. It left no lasting legacy in my opinion."

The Iraq War is said to have cost each U.S. taxpayer \$8,000, totaling over \$2 trillion for the country as a whole. The Department of Defense places the American death count of the war at 4,431. The estimated death count of Iraqis ranges across studies, with a 2013 assessment placing the toll for the duration of U.S. occupation at approximately half a million who died as a result of war-related causes. Millions more Iraqis were displaced.

Source: *History.com Staff*

ArcelorMittal Global R&D Joins NWIIWA as an Elite Partner

The ArcelorMittal Global Research and Development Center has recently partnered with the Northwest Indiana Influential Women Association (NWIIWA) as an Elite Partner, expanding the goals of both organizations to support the community and advance the achievements of women across multiple industries.

NWIIWA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and the leading professional development association for women in Northwest Indiana, with thousands of members and affiliates.

ArcelorMittal Global R&D is an innovative division of the international steelmaker where new steel products, processes, and solutions are envisioned, tested, improved, and deployed. The organization employs around 1,500 full-time researchers at 11 geographical sites throughout the world

and has a firm commitment to support and advance women in STEM careers.

Together, NWIIWA and ArcelorMittal Global R&D will help expand opportunities for women and companies throughout the Northwest Indiana community.

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"Our association is very honored to partner with such a prominent organization

from the industrial scientific community. There are amazing career opportunities for women in STEM fields, but many women may not be aware of everything the industry has to offer. NWIIWA's mission is always to open more doors to advancement for women, and this new partnership with ArcelorMittal Global R&D provides even more unique ways for us to fulfill that goal," said Erica Dombey, NWIIWA board chair.

Source: *Nick Dmitrovich*

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New President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies elected a new president – Kate Forbes. The IFRC supports local Red Cross and Red Crescent action in more than 191 countries, bringing together more than 16 million volunteers for the good of humanity.

Q: When did you first start working with the Red Cross?

A: When a friend asked me to volunteer with the American Red Cross in 1981, I had no idea it would change my life. My history with the Red Cross starts out like most of our 16 million volunteers — it was local. I visited the Red Cross down the street in my Phoenix, Arizona neighborhood.

Q: What was your role at the American Red Cross?

A: In my time with the American Red Cross, I've served as chairman of the local board of directors, and a regional board chairman. In 2000, I served as vice-chairman of the American Red Cross Board of Governors and then the national chairman of volunteers.

Q: What organizational initiatives or disaster responses did you work on in the U.S.?

A: I saw the importance of community health programs at the local level when I worked at a Women's Health Clinic as a young person in my community. As a Red Cross volunteer many years later, I worked to combat a surge of home fires impacting Indigenous communities in

my state. By setting up a Red Cross chapter in the Navajo Nation, we decreased fires through effective community engagement. Both experiences taught me that risk reduction and access to healthcare are central to our work as humanitarians.

One of my first big disaster operations was assisting families in the wake of Hurricane Katrina in the U.S. People from across our country put on the red vest to help others in their community. Our team worked together and found such beauty in the heartbreak of this huge and devastating disaster.

Q: How did you get involved with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies?

A: I joined the IFRC in 2008 as vice chairman of the Finance Committee. Until the election earlier this week, I served on the Board of Directors and as first chairman of the Audit and Risk Commission. In this role, I increased our transparency and financial controls.

Q: Where have your international travels with the IFRC taken you and what have you learned on those trips?

A: During my four decades with the Red Cross and Red Crescent, I have traveled down the street, across my country and around the world to support our humanitarian actions. Earlier this year, while visiting Panama, I met Red Cross volunteers and staff giving medical assistance

and providing aid to refugees traveling the Darien Gap — a deadly 60-mile stretch of jungle. Many refugees told staff that aid from the Red Cross was their first experience of compassion and humanity during this grueling journey.

I also recently visited Ethiopia to see the impacts of the devastating hunger crisis. It was heartbreaking and served as a rallying cry for all that we should be doing to shed light on our underfunded humanitarian crises.

I've worked with National Societies in Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Central and South America, and Europe. Each encounter, story, heartbreak and sliver of hope brings me back to focus on our seven fundamental principles. Through humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity and universality, the global Red Cross Movement changes lives. We bring hope and aid to people in their darkest hours of need.

Q: With being only the second woman to serve as IFRC president, can you share more about the importance of women in humanitarian response?

A: When I think about the role of women in the global Red Cross Movement, I am inspired. Often when we visit communities, the people we are helping are women. We can connect with them in inspiring and profound ways. Women helping women is so



Kate Forbes poses for a photograph with American Red Cross volunteer Trudy Thompson-Shumaker at the Phoenix chapter. "Coming home to my local chapter fills me with tremendous appreciation."

important to our Red Cross and Red Crescent work around the world. GLOW Red is a movement within a movement. It inspires. It elevates and it is a rallying cry for the beauty and power of women.

Q: As president, what is your strategy and vision for the IFRC?

A: We are living in turbulent times. Communities around the world are witnessing the impacts of the climate crisis, geopolitical tensions and health emergencies. More than ever, trust in the global Red Cross and Red Crescent is crucial for our work around the world. Communities in every corner of the globe rely on the critical lifesaving work we provide.

We know the challenges of our modern world demand addressing multiple issues at once. We will lean into our fundamental principles to deliver on our mission and make communities stronger. Our work at the Red Cross and Red Crescent changes lives.

Source: American Red Cross

Purdue University Northwest announces Amy Fry as Dean of the College of Nursing



Amy Fry, Ph.D., RN, has been named dean of PNW's College of Nursing, effective Jan. 1, 2024.

Purdue University Northwest (PNW) announced Amy Fry as its next dean to lead the College of Nursing, effective Jan. 1, 2024, following a national search process.

Fry has served as the College of Nursing's interim dean since July 2023. Fry is a registered nurse (RN) licensed in Indiana and Illinois and has served in the college since January 2022. She has

held positions as a clinical associate professor of Nursing and as director of the college's nationally recognized online programs, including PNW's RN-to-BSN program and Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) online programs.

"We are pleased to have Dr. Fry accept the position as the dean of the College of Nursing," said Chancellor-Elect, Provost and Vice

Chancellor for Academic Affairs Kenneth C. Holford. "Dr. Fry brings a wealth of clinical nursing expertise that will directly benefit our students, as well as experience managing allied health, online and graduate programs. I am truly excited about the future of Nursing at PNW."

As dean, Fry will lead a college with approximately 1,600 undergraduate and graduate students, as well as more than 45 faculty and staff members. PNW's College of Nursing rigorously prepares students to enter numerous in-demand health care careers. The college's programming serves full-time students and working professionals seeking to elevate their careers through high-quality academics. The college is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN) and recognized by the National League for Nursing (NLN) as a Center of Excellence in Nursing Education. In 2023, the college's RN-to-BSN online program was named 42 and its in-person BSN was named 86 nationally in separate U.S. News & World Report's rankings.

Prior to coming to PNW, Fry served as a clinical faculty member and associate dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences at Saint Xavier University in Chicago, Illinois. Collectively she has taught undergraduate and graduate-level nursing students for over 12 years, both through in-person and online classroom settings.

"I am honored to be chosen as the dean of the College of Nursing at Purdue University Northwest," said Fry. "The College of Nursing is known for its exceptional education that prepares its students to be effective and innovative leaders in health care.

"I am proud of our engaged, knowledgeable and caring faculty and staff, as well as state-of-the-art technology and clinical practicums that promote rich student learning experiences. With the critical need for nurses nationally, but especially in Indiana, it is wonderful to serve at a university that provides high quality nursing education that can positively impact the health of our neighbors and communities."

Fry earned her Ph.D. in Nursing Science from the University of Missouri-Kansas City, her Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) from Lewis University and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from Trinity Christian College.

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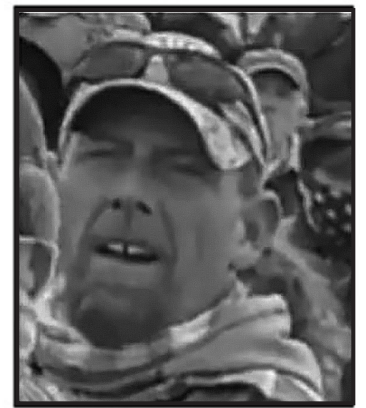
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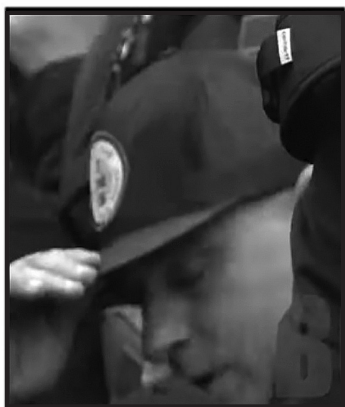
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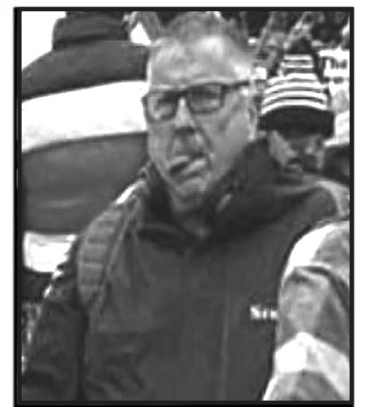
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