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Funding is available to local not-for-profit organizations that demonstrate their project, activities, and services to provide direct benefit to the citizens of Hammond. The funds and application process are overseen by the Gaming Advisory Committee, which represents a cross section of Hammond residents and city council members. It is chaired

by Scott Miller, Mayor's Chief of Staff. In 2024 the Gaming Advisory Committee was able to award over \$400,000 to help dozens of organizations.

Applications must be received by February 21, 2025 for consideration for funding. The application process provides the advisory committee with information about the projects and organizations. Applicants may be requested to appear before the committee to further present their proposal.

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The Munster Theatre Company wins fourth straight Regional title and advance to State competition

The Munster Theatre Company (MTC) recently won its fourth consecutive Indiana Thespians Regional title with its adaptation of Maria McConville's play "#Censored," a drama about a school art fair that becomes controversial when a student unveils a divisive painting. The judging panel named Munster sophomore Ella Dahn Outstanding Lead Performer and junior Logan Hayes Outstanding Supporting Performer. "#Censored" also received the Outstanding Ensemble award from the judges.

The Regional competition, held at Hobart High School on Dec. 7, is sponsored by the Indiana Thespians, which is the state organization of the Educational Theatre Association, the professional theater association for theater educators and the honor society for middle and high school theater. The State Thespian Officers, student leaders of Indiana Thespians, also named Shining Star Awards for each performance.

Freshman Andjelina Savic was named a Shining Star for her performance in "#Censored." Wilbur Wright Middle School eighth grader Mary Kramer was also named a Shining Star for her performance in their show "The Thomas Paine Panther." The middle school came in third place overall, outperforming three other high schools.

According to Ray Palasz, MTC program director, six schools competed to be one of the top-scoring shows to advance to the State competition in January. In addition to Munster High School and Wilbur Wright Middle School, the other schools that competed were Boone Grove, Griffith, Hobart, and Merrillville high schools. This year's win marks the fifth time in seven years that the Munster Theatre Company has advanced to the State level in the Indiana Thespians Play Competitions.

"This year's show was different from the past two years because it wasn't about someone dying," said Palasz.



Indiana Thespians Regional judges named the Munster Theatre Company's "#Censored" cast the Outstanding Ensemble.

"Rather, we tackled the way that theater can really challenge the way people think about an issue that is taking place in our world. Because the show provides an array of viewpoints, our goal was to make every audience member question where they stand on the issue.

"Trophies and accolades by themselves do not make a theater program stellar. Taken in combination with strong attendance at shows, community support through our patron drive, and the numerous theater scholarships that our students annually receive, this year's Regional win provides one of many points of evidence

that our students are capable of telling a range of stories with a high level of quality."

The Munster Theatre Company's "#Censored" ensemble includes: Ariel Chen, Randal Colakovic, Ella Dahn, Katie Harkenrider, Wesley Harle, Logan Hayes, Olive Hill, Yumna Jawad, Evvy Kikkert, Bella LaPorte, Oluwapemisola Ogunjimi, Marija Pavlic, Emma Potchen, Evelyn Regan, Lucy Renwald, Andjelina Savic, Rhiannon Shelton, and Isla Utterback.

Source: Munster High School



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The first immigrants arrive at Ellis Island



Clinton—on the southern tip of Manhattan to be processed. More than 8 million immigrants passed through Castle Garden between 1855 and 1890, in America's first major wave of immigration. These 19th-century immigrants

On New Year's Day 1892, Annie Moore, a teenage girl from Ireland, becomes the very first immigrant to be processed on America's Ellis Island. Annie, along with her two younger brothers, kick off an immigration era that, over the next 62 years, brings more than 12 million immigrants through Ellis Island, located in New York Harbor off the New Jersey coast.

Ellis Island, the first and largest federal immigration processing station, was operated until it was abandoned in 1954. Between 1900 and 1914, the island's peak years of operation, an average of 1,900 people passed through the immigration station daily.

Prior to 1890, when President Benjamin Harrison designated Ellis Island as the first federal immigration center, individual states regulated immigration. Migrants, who hailed from mostly northern European countries, came through Castle Garden—now Castle

were often fleeing political and economic instability, or religious persecution. When it became apparent that Castle Garden couldn't handle the influx of immigrants, the federal government began construction on the island, not far from where the Statue of Liberty towered.

Ellis Island became part of the National Park System in 1965, after a presidential proclamation from President Lyndon B. Johnson. In 1990, Ellis Island was reopened to the public as the country's primary museum on immigration. "Ellis Island was a temporary shelter for those who sought refuge, freedom and opportunity in our country; and...the millions of people who passed through the Ellis Island Depot were important to America for their contribution in making the United States of America the world leader it is today," Johnson stated in the proclamation.

Source: History.com Staff

Planning for Success:

Meet Fall 2024 PNW graduate Kosta Nicolaou

A family vacation to Walt Disney World inspired Kosta Nicolaou, '24, to take a closer look at a career in the hospitality and tourism management (HTM) field. That trip led him to earn a bachelor of science degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management from the White Lodging School of Hospitality and Tourism Management in the College of Business at Purdue University Northwest (PNW).



Initially wanting to focus on the hotel industry, the Schererville native found his passion in event coordination. "I couldn't be as creative as I wanted to be in the hotel industry," says Nicolaou. "Event coordination gave me that creative outlet and so I changed my path."

While at PNW, Nicolaou was a campus ambassador, a member of the HTM Club and served on the College of Business Advisory Board. A self-described people person, he enjoyed participating in many Intramural events on campus as a way to meet new people, have a bit of fun and take a break from studying. He also helped organize and decorate for events like the HTM Food Festival and the annual chili cook-off, where his team's chili took first place.

Nicolaou was able to return to Walt Disney World as an intern—twice. In 2022, he participated in his first internship where he worked in a back-of-house role at Restaurantosaurus in

Disney's Animal Kingdom. During the semester-long experience, he not only gained industry experience, he met new people, had new experiences, and lived on his own in a new area with the opportunity to be independent, all of which reignited his passion for the hospitality industry. In 2023, he participated in Disney's alumni internship program, working in parking operations in the Magic Kingdom—the fourth largest parking lot in the world.

After graduation, Nicolaou plans to pursue a career in event coordination. Looking ahead, he hopes to one day establish his own event coordination company and become a successful business owner.

College is more interesting when you get involved around campus and it provides networking opportunities.

Kosta Nicolaou, '24, Hospitality and Tourism Management

Source: Purdue University Northwest

What superfoods are good for diabetes?

“Superfood” is a term used by many food and beverage companies as a way to promote a food thought to have health benefits; however, there is no official definition of the word by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The FDA regulates the health claims allowed on food labels to ensure there is scientific research to support the claims. The list of foods below are rich in vitamins, minerals, antioxidants and fiber that are good for overall health and may also help prevent disease.

Beans

Kidney, pinto, navy or black beans are packed with vitamins and minerals such as magnesium and potassium. They are very high in fiber too.

Beans do contain carbohydrates, but ½ cup also provides as much protein as an ounce of meat without the saturated fat. To save time you can use canned beans, but be sure to drain and rinse them to get rid of as much added salt as possible.

Dark green leafy vegetables

Spinach, collards and kale are dark green leafy vegetables

packed with vitamins and minerals such as vitamins A, C, E and K, iron, calcium and potassium. These powerhouse foods are low in calories and carbohydrates too. Try adding dark leafy vegetables to salads, soups and stews.

Citrus fruit

Grapefruits, oranges, lemons and limes or pick your favorites to get part of your daily dose of fiber, vitamin C, folate and potassium.

Sweet potatoes

A starchy vegetable packed full of vitamin A and fiber. They are also a good source of vitamin C and potassium.

Craving something sweet? Try a sweet potato in place of a regular potato and sprinkle cinnamon on top.

Berries

Which are your favorites: blueberries, strawberries or another variety? Regardless, they are all packed with antioxidants, vitamins and fiber. Berries can be a great option to satisfy your sweet tooth and they provide an added benefit of vitamin C, vitamin K, manganese, potassium and fiber.

Tomatoes

The good news is that no matter how you like your tomatoes, pureed, raw, or in a sauce, you’re eating vital nutrients like vitamin C, vitamin E and potassium.

Fish high in omega-3 fatty acids

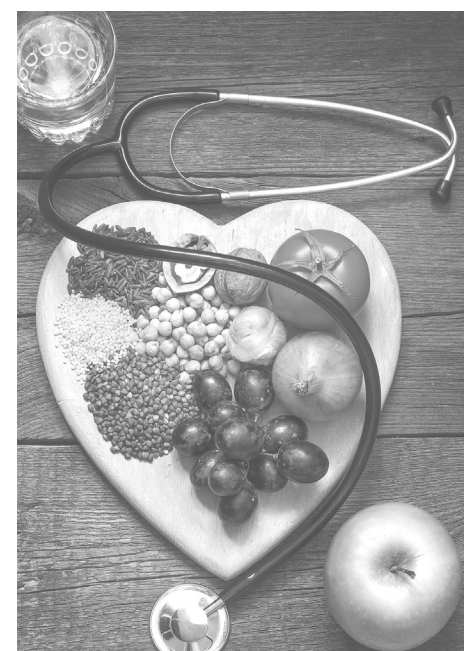
Omega-3 fats may help to reduce the risk of heart disease and inflammation. Fish high in these healthy fats are sometimes referred to as “fatty fish.” Salmon is well known in this group. Other fish high in omega-3 are herring, sardines, mackerel, trout and albacore tuna. Choose fish that is broiled, baked or grilled to avoid the carbohydrate and extra calories that would be in fish that is breaded and fried. The American Diabetes Association Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes recommends eating fish (mainly fatty fish) twice per week for people with diabetes.

Nuts

An ounce of nuts can go a long way in getting key healthy fats along with helping to manage hunger. In addition, they offer magnesium and fiber. Some nuts and seeds, such as walnuts and flax seeds, are a good source of omega-3 fatty acids.

Whole grains

It’s the whole grain you’re after. The first ingredient on the label should have the word “whole” in it. Whole grains are rich in vitamins and minerals like magnesium, B vitamins, chromium, iron and folate. They are a great source of fiber too. Some examples of whole grains are whole oats, quinoa, whole grain barley and farro.



Milk and yogurt

You may have heard that milk and yogurt can help build strong bones and teeth. In addition to calcium, many milk and yogurt products are fortified to make them a good source of vitamin D. More research is emerging on the connection between vitamin D and good health. Milk and yogurt do contain carbohydrate that will be a factor in meal planning when you have diabetes. Look for yogurt products that are lower in fat and added sugar.

Tips for eating on a budget

Some of the items above can be tough on the budget depending on the season and where you live. Look for lower cost options such as fruit and vegetables in season or frozen or canned fish. Foods that are easier on the budget year ‘round are beans and whole grains that you cook from scratch.

Learn more about how to include these and other healthful foods into your meals. The American Diabetes Association’s book *What Do I Eat Now?* provides a step-by-step guide to eating right.

Source: American Diabetes Association

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Purdue University Northwest opens nominations for 2025 Alumni Hall of Fame awards



From left, Purdue University Northwest (PNW) Chancellor Kenneth C. Holford, Hammond Mayor Thomas McDermott, Jr., the Honorable Diane Kavadias Schneider, and Jeff Strack, president and CEO of Indiana Grocery Group, pose together for a group photo following the latter three's induction into the PNW Alumni Hall of Fame in 2024

Purdue University Northwest (PNW) has opened its annual callout for nominations of impactful university alumni to be recognized and inducted into the PNW Alumni Hall of Fame.

The PNW Alumni Hall of Fame honors distinguished graduates from across the 78-year history of the university's campuses. PNW seeks nominations of alumni who are high-achieving leaders in their fields, involved members of their community and who have engaged with PNW well beyond their time as students.

"In our fourth year recognizing the amazing accomplishments of our alumni, we are proud to expand the opportunity to honor standout nominees across different stages of their professional careers and their continuing impact to PNW," said Katie Holderby, director of Alumni Engagement. "Our newly named Alumni Advisory Board members will be involved in the selection process and are excited to learn about the many ways their fellow alumni have built upon their PNW education to

drive positive impact in their communities." Nominations are invited in the following categories. Alumni of PNW and its legacy campuses, Purdue Calumet and Purdue North Central, are eligible to be nominated in all categories:

PNW Alumni Hall of Fame Award: To recognize and honor PNW alumni who have distinguished themselves, made exemplary contributions to PNW and their community, either by virtue or by meritorious efforts, and inspire current and future generations of PNW students.

Power Onward Emerging Leader Award: To recognize PNW alumni aged 35 or younger who have demonstrated emerging and unique innovation, creativity and success in their chosen career, and whose accomplishments reflect admirably upon or bring honor to their Alma Mater.

Pride of PNW Alumni Award: This award honors PNW alumni who embody the values and mission of the university and recognizes them for their leadership and significant contributions to their specific industries and/or communities they live in.

PNW Campus Pride Alumni Award: This award is presented to faculty or staff members at PNW who have earned at least one degree from the Purdue Northwest campuses and have made a significant contribution and impact on PNW, including the campus community and the student experience.

Nominations for candidates for the 2025 PNW Alumni Hall

of Fame class can be completed through the nomination form by December 6, 2024. To view specific criteria for each category and access the nomination form, visit pnw.edu/hall-of-fame.

Nominees selected for inclusion will be inducted during the annual PNW Alumni Hall of Fame celebration dinner on April 3, 2025.

The PNW Alumni Hall of Fame was established in 2022. Honorees to date include:

- David Roberts (BS '74), retired chairman, president and CEO of Carlisle Companies Incorporated;
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- Thomas McDermott, Jr. (BS '96), the 20th mayor of the city of Hammond;
- The Honorable Diane Kavadias Schneider (BA '71, MA'74, MA'23), the first female judge of the Civil Division of the Lake Superior Court; and
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Source: Purdue University Northwest

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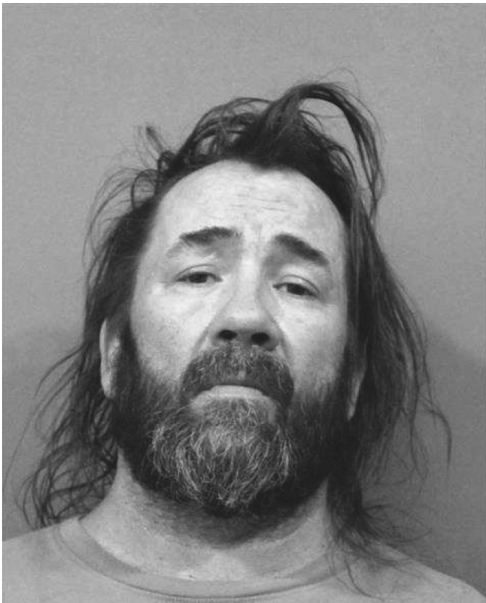
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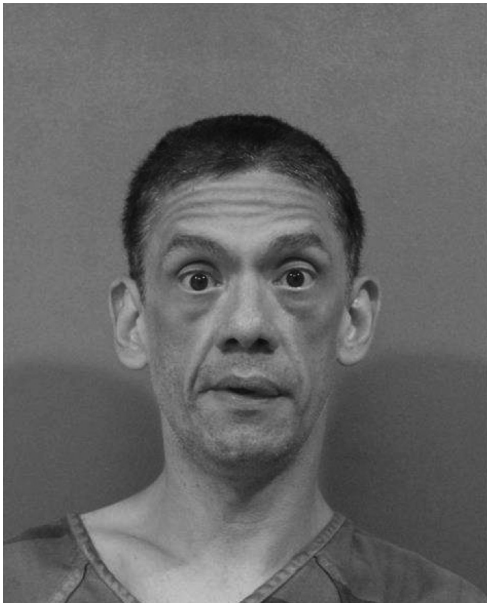
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METHAMPHETAMINE

Name #: 000N26042

Date of Birth 7/26/1974



WANTED

Name: QUASNEY, JENNOFER MARIE

Alias:

Sex Female

Height 5'4"

Weight 112 Pounds

Eyes Brown

Hair Brown

Marks/Scars/Tattoos ..

Wanted For: DEALING

..... METHAMPETAMINE

Name #: 990021036

Date of Birth 2/12/1984



Anyone with information concerning this subject please contact: Lake County, Indiana, Sheriff's Department Warrant Division
(219) 755-3057 Report A Crime HOT LINE (800) 750-2746

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Celebrating

PRINCE HALL MASONS
CALUMET DISTRICT LODGES

ORDER OF EASTERN STARS
7TH DISTRICT CHAPTERS



Save The Date

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2025

Hammond Civic Center

5825 Sohl Avenue, Hammond, IN

10:00 A.M.



Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., Mayor, City of Hammond

Owana J. Miller, Community Development Director

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