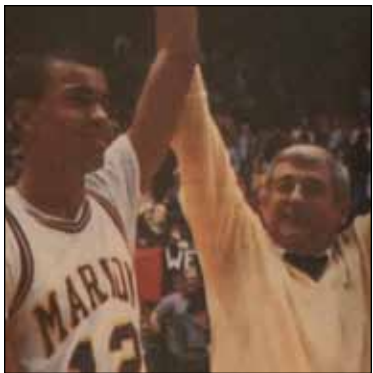


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## DEATHS

**Helen E. Parmer**  
1927-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**Scott A. Spencer**  
1975-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**Vera A. Johnson**  
1924-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**Sondra "Sonny" Lee Jackson**  
1941-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**Lawrence J. Berry**  
1933-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**James O. Gard**  
1947-2020  
Private graveside services and a public memorial service will be held at a later date.

**Robert "Clifton" Burton**  
1937-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**Martha Dee Rohrer**  
1944-2020  
Private family services will be held at a later date.

**These are abbreviated death notices. Full obituaries are also available. Contact your funeral director or The News Herald (see contact information in the box on page 3) for details.**

## Marion GM workers to help build ventilators

**by Alan Miller**  
An estimated 1,000 hourly workers from General Motors plants in Marion and Kokomo are being drafted to fight the war against the COVID-19 outbreak. In the next three weeks, GM is expected to begin production of what could be tens of thousands of ventilators at the company's Components Holding plant in Kokomo. The partnership between GM and Ventec Life Systems, a company based in Bothell, WA, was announced Friday. GM is already taking applications for the hundreds of jobs. Dan Flores, GM's senior manager of communications, said first dibs on the jobs will go to current Kokomo workers, who were furloughed March 20 due to the pandemic.



Photo by AJ Mast for General Motors

Work being done Monday, March 30, at the General Motors manufacturing facility in Kokomo, where GM and Ventec Life Systems are partnering to produce Ventec VOCSN critical care ventilators in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. GM will offer jobs at the retrofitted factory to furloughed workers from its Kokomo plant and its Marion stamping facility.

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## MCS passes out meals after changing the process

**by Sean Douglas**  
Marion Community Schools continued their weekly food distribution at Justice Middle School this past Wednesday, passing out meals to families in need over the course of two hours, after making some changes in the process. "It's a new process for us," Marion Superintendent Brad Lindsay said. "None of us have ever seen times like this, and so, we are all having to come together and think about new ways to help one another, and one way is for Marion

Volunteers put bags filled with meals for students' families at Justice Middle School last week. Community Schools, and for all the schools in Grant County, is to continue to distribute food. That is one way that schools are prepared to help in a time like this, and all schools in Grant County are." Last week, the sheer volume of cars waiting in line caused a safety concern with traffic congestion

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## Easter Pageant video to air

**by Alan Miller**  
A video of the Marion Easter Pageant which was presented in 2003 at Memorial Coliseum will air three times on WSOT-TV next week. The video will be shown at 7 pm on April 6 and April 7 and again at 6 am on Easter Sunday morning. WSOT-TV, a service of Sunnycrest Baptist Church, broadcasts its signal on channel 27.1 and also on Spectrum Cable channel 3. In 1937, the Marion Easter Pageant was formed with volunteers from the

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surrounding area. It was presented at 6 am on Easter morning at Memorial Coliseum. When the Coliseum became uninhabitable in

2003, pageant officials chose to video the last performance for archival purposes. When the building was renovated and reopened as the Grant County YMCA, the pageant was brought back to life in 2011 and has planned presentations every even calendar year. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, this year's pageant was canceled and will not be presented again until 2022. Before the cancellation was announced, a cast and crew of more than 600 people had been rehearsing for the event.

### INDIANA QUIZ

1. Name the former Indianapolis resident who is the subject of the Netflix movie "Self-Made."
2. Name the actress from Fort Wayne who played Diane Chambers in a popular sitcom.
3. Who was the actress from Dale best remembered as TV Mom Carol Brady?

Answers: page 8



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# Sunday to Friday—what a difference in the crowd

The life of Jesus was nothing less than miraculous. He was a man on a mission, the God-Man. He came to do for us what we couldn't do. "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10) The people of Jesus' day did not understand that, and we often lose sight of His mission too.

Do you realize that during His entire earthly ministry there was not a lot of fanfare for Jesus? He was a man who was challenged, ridiculed, mocked, and rebuked at every turn. He had to constantly deal with the Scribes, Pharisees, and Sadducees. They despised everything He said and all He came to do. Could you imagine what life would be like when opposition was ever-present?

Many of Jesus' followers believed that He would establish His Kingdom while He was here on earth. That brings us to a very climactic point of His journey, His triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem. Now, let's remember that Jesus had been met with resistance at every turn, but now we see an unusual sight, which was different from any previous event. Scripture tells us, "On the next day many people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried, Hosanna! Blessed is the King of Israel, that cometh in the name of

the Lord. And Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat upon it as it was written, fear not, daughter of Zion behold, thy King cometh sitting on an ass's colt." (John 12:12-15)

What a story! What a change in focus, or was it? Yes, this story tells us that the King of Kings made His triumphal entrance into the city of Jerusalem, but why? What had He come to do?

The people were excited, first of all, because He was their King. He brought them hope, mercy, and grace. They had never experienced a message like His. He made life worth living to them again.

The people were also drawn to Him because of His love and compassion. They knew He loved them and cared deeply for their well-being. So unlike the Pharisees, Jesus really loved them. He didn't try to increase their burden, but lighten it.

Thirdly, the people were excited and cheering because they thought Jesus was coming to Jerusalem to establish His Kingdom. Roman oppression was so great, and now Jesus brought hope of a better life.

Little did the people know that Jesus was riding into the city to be the "Sacrificial Lamb" for us all. By the standards of that day, for Jesus to ride into town on a donkey was a lowly act full of disrespect, and it lacked any type of honor. Jesus knew exactly what He was doing. His mission had never changed from the beginning. (Luke 19:10)

Do you realize that some of those people that were singing and praising, "Hosanna to the King" on Sunday, were the same ones yelling "Crucify Him" on Friday? There are many lessons from this story that could be shared, but one thing is for sure, He was the same Jesus on Friday that He was on Sunday. What changed? It wasn't Jesus.

I am thankful that He is my Savior through the good and the bad. I don't want to change with the crowd. Scripture says it best, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today, and forever." (Hebrews 13:8)

Tom



## JUST A THOUGHT

Rev. Tom Mansbarger



Tom Mansbarger is senior pastor of Grace Community Church. He offers free counseling. Reach him at 765. 517. 1187 or tom@graceccmarion.org.

# It's time to change the narrative on sexual assault

If someone took your purse or wallet, would anyone ask you what you were wearing when it happened? Probably not. So why is it we ask a sexual assault victim what they were wearing when the assault took place?

April is sexual assault awareness month. Locally, in Grant and Wabash counties, What Were You Wearing displays were to show how sexual assault can happen to anyone, no matter what they

were wearing:

- "My prom dress. Don't know if that needs much more explanation..."
- "A swimsuit. We had been canoeing at the river all day. It had been a really fun time. Then they came into my tent when I was trying to change clothes."
- Or, knowing that sexual assault is not limited to women: "Khakis and a dress shirt. I had to give a presentation that day in my communications class.

They took my clothes at the hospital. I'm not sure what happened to them."

Each of these scenarios, along with 49 other examples, is part of a national campaign called "What Were You Wearing" a powerful exhibit taking one of the most pervasive victim-blaming sexual violence myths and the prejudice that survivors face.

"This timely exhibit is intended to 'confront and disrupt' the myth that sexual assault is provoked by



## A SLICE OF LIFE

Linda Wilk



someone's dress," says Jen Brockman, the co-creator of the exhibit and the director of Kansas University's Sexual Assault Prevention and Education Center. The Survivor Art project first began in 2013 at the University of Arkansas and has since traveled to a number of universities.

Marion resident Ruthann brought to my attention the What Were You Wearing campaign, which, in turn, has been embraced by the Grant County SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) members who have worked to place this powerful visual.

There were entities across Grant and Wabash counties interested in hosting a display: Taylor University, Marion High School, Mississinewa High School, Ivy Tech Community College, Marion General Hospital and Manchester University in Wabash County. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, none of those displays will take place.

Once the Governor's stay-in-place order is lifted, you can go to Wabash where, in the side window of Modoc's, you can see the display. Until then, however, you can go to [www.famservices.com](http://www.famservices.com) where there is a virtual display, along with other information about sexual assault and violence. Take the time to look at the display and messages attached to the clothes. Think about what your reaction has been when you hear of someone being sexually assaulted.

Does your mind wonder what the person was wearing? Ask yourself: why does it matter? Does it make a difference if the person was fully clothed or scantily clothed? Shouldn't it be enough that the person who was assaulted did not give consent? Or that the person was not even physically able to give consent due to being intoxicated or developmentally unable?

In Grant County in 2019, local law enforcement investigated 14 adult sexual assaults. Marion Police Chief Angela Haley recently told

advocates, prosecutors and the court system. It is of critical importance that a victim knows there are supports available for him or her from the beginning—as soon as possible after the assault has taken place. While there is evidence collection to consider, the greater reason for a victim to seek help is to ensure that there are no underlying internal injuries or a sexually transmitted disease that the victim might contract.

I can't stress enough the intent of the local SART—as with any crime, prevention and intervention are both key ideals. We want to work to stop the violence, as well as prevent it for future victims. The most effective way to do that is to change the narrative.

As a community and society, we must ensure that what a victim wore is not the topic of conversation. By doing so, we can create a community where a victim will be more likely to report an assault. Ideally, then, the number of sexual assaults will decline because there are less committed, not because victims are hesitant to report.

Let's all work together to change the narrative. Let's also make sure we know where to direct a victim to turn if we know someone who has been assaulted. For additional information about sexual assault, call Hands of Hope, a division of Family Service Society, Inc., at 765-664-0701 any time, or go to [www.famservices.com](http://www.famservices.com).

me that she believes that number is far too low. Chief Haley and others who are members of the Grant County Sexual Assault Response Team want victims and the community to know sexual assault is not going to be tolerated here.

We also want victims and their friends and family to know the importance of reporting the crime when it happens. Marion General Hospital has a sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE), a nurse trained in forensic exams for sexual assaults. This SANE ensures that assault victims receive the specialized attention needed to ensure that evidence is collected properly, and that the victim's dignity is not compromised.

This attitude continues with local law enforcement,

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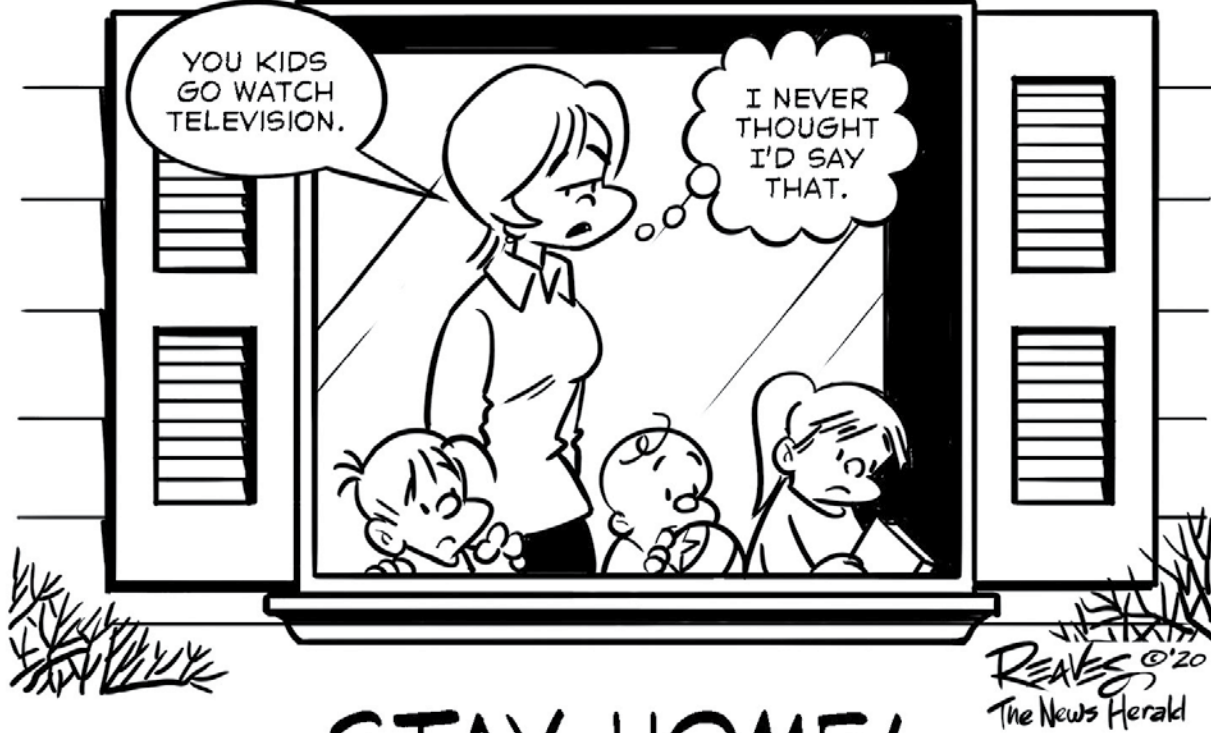
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## EDITORIAL CARTOON—ERIC REAVES

# STAY SAFE!



# STAY HOME!



### April 1, 1904

The Indianapolis Glove Company began operation, with factories also in Marion, Richmond, and Rushville.

### April 2, 1918

The Indiana prohibition law went into effect at midnight. Over 3,500 bars and taverns ceased the sale of alcohol. The state ratified the national prohibition amendment the following January.

### April 3, 1974

Powerful tornadoes tore through four sections of the state, causing 48 deaths, over 1000 casualties, and \$200,000,000 in damage.

### April 4, 1968

Robert F. Kennedy, in Indianapolis on a campaign tour, announced the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to a crowd at 17th and Broadway. His impassioned plea for peace on that night is considered one of the best public addresses of the era.

### April 5, 1922

Purdue University was granted a broadcast license for radio station WBAA. At 920 on the AM dial, it is the oldest continuously operating radio station in Indiana.

### April 6, 1917

The United States entered World War I. Indiana sent more than 130,000 soldiers. The Indiana World War Memorial Plaza was constructed to honor the more than 3,400 who did not return home.

### April 7, 1841

A funeral service was held in the East Room of the White House for President William Henry Harrison, who died three days earlier. He served as President for 31 days.

### April 8, 1990

Ryan White died at age 18 in Indianapolis. An AIDS patient, his courageous struggle for acceptance gained national attention.

### April 9, 1865

News reached the state of the surrender of Confederate General Robert E. Lee. Hoosiers celebrated the end of the Civil War which had cost the state over 24,000 lives.

### April 10, 1824

United States mail delivery by stagecoach was established between Vincennes and Louisville.

### April 11, 1965

Palm Sunday tornadoes

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I just wanted to thank Ed Breen for his timely article in the March 18 issue of The News Herald. His quotes from C.S.Lewis were so appropriate for today's situation and I pray that they give people in this day and age pause for thought.

GOOD JOB!

Dave Bates

wreaked havoc in 20 Indiana counties, killing 137 people and injuring over 1700.

### April 14, 1912

The RMS Titanic struck an iceberg near midnight and sank early the next morning. Over 1500 died. Among the 710 survivors were at least three from Indiana, including Ellen Toomey, who returned to her home on Bates Street in Indianapolis.

### April 13, 1992

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held for the new Indiana State Police Youth Education and Historical Center on East 21st Street in Indianapolis.

### April 15, 1861

As the Civil War erupted, Governor Oliver P. Morton called for 75,000 volunteers to join the Union Army.

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**GM,**  
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The company will then pull from the workforce at the Marion stamping plant. GM said it also might hire temporary full-time workers from the Kokomo community, depending on how many workers at the Marion and Kokomo GM plants sign up to return to work.

“First pull will be from the current Kokomo workforce followed by the Marion workforce,” Flores said in an email. “If we still need more, we will hire from the local Kokomo community.”

The New York Times reported in its Monday edition that GM called in workers over the weekend to clear machinery out of the Kokomo plant that has been used to make electrical components for GM cars. GM plants that were closed March 20 were originally scheduled to reopen March 30, but that date now has been extended to April 14.

“Over the next few days, the automaker and Ventec plan to begin setting up an assembly line,” GM said in a statement released to The Times on Sunday night, “We continue to work around the clock on our efforts with Ventec. We are working as fast as we can to begin production in Kokomo.”

According to The Times, the Kokomo plant was cho-



Photo courtesy of GM

A worker assembles a ventilator like the ones that GM plans to start putting together at its Kokomo facility.

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sen because, unlike most car assembly factories, it has the type of clean room needed for making medical devices. The plant has 2.6 million square feet of floor space and is situated on 260 acres. Two assembly lines are planned to manufacture ventilators.

Specifically, the Kokomo plant will produce Ventec’s critical care ventilator, VOCSN. It is the first and only multi-function ventilator that seamlessly integrates five devices into one integrated respiratory system that is lightweight and mobile. The VOCSN is fully customizable to meet patient needs for pediatric and

adult patients, according to a Ventec news release.

“GM and Ventec are poised to deliver the first ventilators in late April and ramp up to a manufacturing capacity of more than 10,000 critical care ventilators a month, with the infrastructure and capacity to scale further,” according to a GM news release.

GM also will begin manufacturing FDA-cleared Level 1 surgical masks at its Warren, Michigan, plant. Production began this week and, within two weeks, will be producing 50,000 masks per day, with the potential to increase to 100,000 a day, GM said.

# Storms never last, do they?

Old men tend to reminisce when times get hard. Lately I’ve been remembering some of the hard times God has brought me through. There are lessons there, reminders of fears that turned out to be imposters, inklings of hope emerging where it was least expected.

My wife Helen and I were in our 30s when we went to Haiti as missionaries. We had been there a little over a year when the Duvalier regime fell and the country descended into chaos and violence overnight. I’ll never forget the first night machine-gun fire rang through our town, a portent of the violence we would watch first-hand. A drunken mob destroyed the property next to our Bible college campus. Our most loyal and trusted employee was almost beaten to death by a mob, his home threatened and his property taken. He hid in his home until I went to bring him to our campus and eventually smuggled him out of town. Soldiers came into our living room with their machine guns as my little girls looked on wide-eyed. You never forget experiences like that, watching a country tear itself apart, uncertain of each day’s outcome. As a young leader I struggled to find our way safely through that experience.

There have been other hard times, maybe none quite that dramatic, but challenging in their own ways—times when I couldn’t see through the fog of unexpected and seemingly



**OPEN LETTER**  
**Dr. David Wright**



impossible circumstances. You find out a lot about yourself in those moments, about the things you value, the source of your strength, the One you trust.

As we wrestle through the challenges of these strange days, may I share some of those lessons with you? These may sound like clichés but each one helped me through hard times:

- Don’t take counsel of your fears.
  - Don’t back down from the challenge.
  - Embrace the moment.
  - Take the next step.
  - There are always unexpected allies.
  - Hope grows where you least expect it.
  - Believe in the future.
- This too shall pass. I love music. It’s been the soundtrack of my life. Sometimes God brings me reminders of His grace and faithfulness in songs you might not expect. Here’s

one. “Storms never last, do they baby? Bad times all pass with the winds Your hand in mine stills the thunder You make the sun want to shine.”

Reminds me of something Robert Schuller once said: “Never cut a tree down in the wintertime. Never make a negative decision in the low time. Never make your most important decisions when you are in your worst moods. Wait. Be patient. The storm will pass. The spring will come.”

In one of my darkest times many years ago, a time I rarely talk about, God gave me a promise that was so real it almost seemed like an audible voice. “Don’t be afraid, for I am with you. Don’t be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand” (Isaiah 41:10). He has kept his promises.

Friends, this too shall pass. We will embrace this moment. We won’t back down. We will take the next steps God gives us, one by one, until we come out the other side. We will celebrate the unexpected blessings along the way. We will trust God for guidance and courage, for outcomes we cannot create on our own.

We will believe in our future. Storms never last, do they baby?

*Dr. David Wright is the president of Indiana Wesleyan University*

# MGH needs to respond to community’s questions

Today—days which might well be the most critical in the lifetimes of each of us—of Marion and Grant County’s 65,000 men, women and children, a central, a critical, institution in our lives is ominously silent, a silence that is feeding fears that we already hold and failing to dispel rumors that we rush to embrace in times of crisis. Rumors flourish and fester in the absence of leadership.

Marion General Hospital is silent.

The place to which we all turn for medical care and solace of all sorts in times of pain and fear, is silent, bereft of meaningful information and guidance when it is most needed. Being told yet again to wash our hands is not helpful when our neighbors are disappearing into the hospital.

Why? We do not know. They will not say, those people charged with management of the institution and informing the public.

The president of the hospital has not been seen in a public role in weeks. The person charged with informing us—the Public Information Officer—is providing no information. Acting on instructions from above, she is deferring and referring all questions to those in other

agencies outside of the hospital, agencies struggling to do their own jobs, much less take on the added burden.

The Public Information Officer told reporters “no.” Flat out. “Don’t call the hospital. All public information will come from the County Health Officer.” That’s what she told reporters at the outset of all of this in a briefing in the command center of county government.

Oh, the health care people are there. We are certain of that. The men and women, all 1,250 of them, from surgeons to janitors, are there, doing their jobs. It’s the largest work force in Grant County, these men and women at the hospital and they are doing the largest job of their lives.

The patients are there. We don’t know how many or in what condition or for what ailments and illnesses. Who? When? Why? How many? Patient privacy, we are told, prohibits that. We will not tell you. We can understand that.

Transparency—informing us and easing our anxiety—demands, however, that there are certain things that the public be told. It will be critical to all of us in the days ahead that seem increasingly perilous and unavoidable. Do they have what they need to do their jobs? How might we help?



Marion General sent out this picture last week, showing some of its staff.

What extraordinary measures are they prepared to take? Do they have contingency plans?

They have told us nothing. In fact, the simplest of questions—how many beds in Marion General Hospital?—went unanswered. You’ll have to talk to the county health department, we were told.

There is no doubt that some who have been afflicted are at the hospital on Wabash Avenue, some in critical condition because they have been struck down by COVID-19, the scourge that has sent all of us in search of safety.

Way back on the sixth of March, which seems an eternity ago now, we were assured by the hospital. These were their words then: “MGH is committed to monitoring this situation as

it continues to develop and to use our social media forums to communicate with you in a timely manner.”

I want to ask, simply: “How’d that work out for you?”

Marion General Hospital is a community hospital—and “community” has legal meaning. The 118-year-old hospital is neither private nor a part of government. It is owned by all of us and run by a board of directors, men and women, doctors and lay people from our community.

The mayor can’t tell the hospital what to do. Neither can the commissioners or the sheriff or coroner or anyone else. It is autonomous. And right now, when its community is at risk, when we who share ownership of the hospital seek simple but essential

information, we are told to go away.

We can’t do that. Here are some of the things Marion General Hospital—not the health officer or the emergency management people or any other first responder, but Marion General Hospital—needs to tell us for the health and safety and sanity of all of us:

- How many critical care beds are available at Marion General?
- How many ventilators does Marion General Hospital have?
- Of the reported cases of COVID-19 in Grant County, how many have been admitted to the hospital?
- How many people have been directed to quarantine themselves at home?
- How many people in Grant County have been tested for COVID-19, either at the hospital or at offices of doctors, most of whom are employed by the hospital?
- People at the Indiana Wesleyan University Division of Nursing have suggested that the 32-bed simulation lab at IWU could be used for overflow patients from the hospital. Is the hospital considering this?
- Does Marion General Hospital have adequate supplies on hand to protect both patients and medical personnel?

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*Ed Breen, co-host of “Good Morning Grant County” on WBAT radio, has been reporting on life in Indiana for more than 50 years. In 2016 he was inducted into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame.*

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around Justice. To combat this, with the help of Marion Chief of Police Angela Haley and the Marion Police Department, Lindsay and his colleagues concocted a new traffic pattern, creating two lanes in front of the school in order to improve efficiency.

Cars entered the first entrance at Kendall Elementary School before lining up in the Justice parking lot where they waited to receive their food.

While some adjustments were made for this week’s distribution, Lindsay was thrilled with how the first week went.

“We didn’t know what to expect in week one, but what we saw was over 30,000 meals being passed out,” Lindsay said. “It did our hearts so good to see people from the community making pre-arrangements to pick up food and take it back to apartment complexes or their neighborhoods. Churches were helping us, neighbors were helping us, and people were stepping out and helping one another. It made me proud to be a Giant, because our



teachers, academic specialists, principals, food service, maintenance, bus drivers, everybody was chipping in and sharing that love and encouraging one another.”

MCS trimmed the number of volunteers from 200 a week ago to 50 in order to streamline the process and remain in line with CDC procedures. “The reason we want to keep as [few people] as possible is to follow the health guidelines and social distancing,” Lindsay said. “[The Health Department] has approved our plan and advised our plan, and we have been diligent in following it with the health screening and the safe distancing.”

Each family received a week’s worth of meals and a variety of staples including bread, milk, and canned products.

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The ‘Reign’ begins: the 1984-85 Marion Giants

*Editor’s note: While sports are suspended, Sports Editor Sean Douglas is taking a look at the Marion Giants’ “Purple Reign” seasons. Last week, he described the years leading up to the 1985 season, which was just about to begin:*

**by Sean Douglas**

“You’ve got the coach. You’ve got the senior leadership. And you’ve got the young guys that are up and coming,” former ACTS Network play-by-play announcer and current Marion SID Greg Keeton said. “It was basically the perfect storm in 1985, and it turns out to be the perfect season. Everything just fell into place.”

Marion won its first two games, defeating Anderson Highland 68-48 and Norwell 58-51, but Teagle did not think that the Giants really found their stride until their third game of the season against Anderson.

“In the first two games, the seniors played poorly. I know I did,” center Jay Teagle said. “We had a meeting after the first two games, and Coach ripped us pretty good. And then, we played Anderson, and that was kind of our com-

ing out party.”

The Giants continued winning in a variety of ways. Some games they won by double digits. Other victories came via a last-second basket. No matter who they played, they just kept winning. “We knew each other on the floor so well,” Teagle said. “We knew what it took and who to go to in the right spots. Everybody had their moments. Everybody shined that year, at one time or another. After Christmas, it was game, set, match.”

Marion’s toughest game of the season came against Fort Wayne Northrop in the final third of the season. The Giants were ranked No. 1, and had been since the second week of the season, while Northrop was ranked No. 2.

The contest was played in the Fort Wayne Coliseum, a place where many of the Giants’ state championship dreams were dashed over the previous eight years. Despite playing in front of a raucous crowd and without Teagle, who missed the game due to injury, Marion eked out a 64-63 triumph.

At that point, the team finally realized what Green had known all along. “The turning point... was when we played Fort Wayne Northrop in the regular season,” Persinger said. “They moved the game to TV [and] it was played at the Fort Wayne Coliseum. And, we played with Jay Teagle being injured, so Daric Keys and Eric Ewer stepped up. At that time, Fort Wayne Northrop was No. 2, so it was No. 1 vs No. 2. They were a solid club all the way through. At that point in time, we knew that Coach Green was right--this was a special team.”

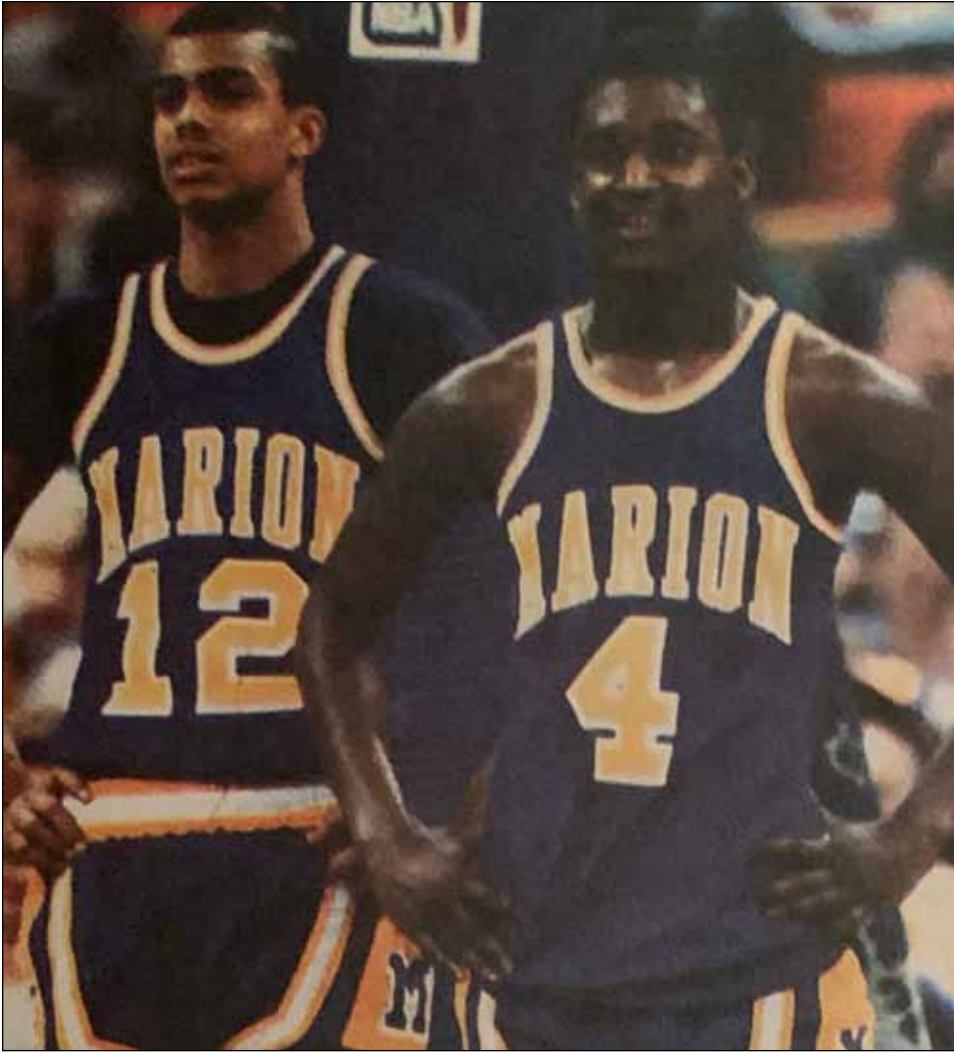
Marion went on to finish the regular season with a perfect 20-0 record, including a 7-0 mark against North Central Conference opponents. The Giants defeated Anderson by eight, Kokomo by 12, Richmond by 8, New Castle by 16, Lafayette Jeff by 4, Logansport by 18, Muncie Central by 5.

When the tournament began, the Giants’ confidence was at an all-time high. “When you go into the tournament undefeated and No. 1, your goal is pretty easy,” Persinger said. “State championship or bust. We had the confidence we were the best team in the state. We believed it, we just had to go out and prove it. Those were just bumps in the road to that ultimate goal.”

The Giants cruised through the sectional, defeating Elwood 81-53, Mississinewa 68-52, and Madison-Grant 83-55.

In the regional round, they dispatched a strong Huntington North club 69-62, before clinching the regional championship with an 87-78 triumph over future Purdue Boiler-maker Kip Jones and Bellmont. “At that moment, I’m thinking, ‘We’re going to win a championship,’” Keeton said. “The electricity was there. We were going to Fort Wayne. That was it.”

At the Fort Wayne Coli-



Jay Edwards (left) and Lyndon Jones(right) were two of the key players for the state champion Marion Giants in 1984-85. In the picture below, Coach Bill Green hugs a player after another Giants win.

seum the following week, the Giants would face their toughest challenge. In the first game, they had to face Al Rhodes and the defending state champion Warsaw Tigers, and if they won that game, they would have to face Michigan City Rogers, the team that eliminated Marion from the tournament the previous year.

“Back in that era, you not only had that Michigan City, Penn, Warsaw area feeding into that semi-state, you had some really good Fort Wayne basketball teams feeding into that semi-state,” Brunner said. “So every year, that semi-state was loaded.”

Despite the quality opposition, the Giants had little doubt they would end the day as the semi-state champions. Against Warsaw, it was a close, hard-fought battle throughout,

but Marion prevailed, defeating the Tigers 70-65. “This was a very good Warsaw basketball team,” Brunner said. “This was a basketball team that had every opportunity to stop the Marion Giant express, and they thought they could repeat that year. It was a knockdown, drag-out [contest]. Bodies were flying. Fans were out of control, a typical Marion-Warsaw basketball game. That was a war.”

Against Michigan City Rogers that night, Marion exorcised its demons, coming away with an 85-73 triumph to punch its ticket to the state finals. “Thanks to Coach, we were grounded,” Teagle said. “It was a confidence, but it wasn’t a cockiness. Most teams would look at us and think we were pretty cocky, but that wasn’t the term. We

were confident in what we could do night in and night out. That’s what we strived to do every night.”

Coming off of their two thrilling semi-state victories, the Giants, and everyone around them, knew what was coming. “I didn’t have any doubts,” Keeton said. “Once we got to the semi-state and we came through that, and [after] seeing this team play all year long, I kept thinking, ‘They are going to finish this up. That’s just what is going to happen.’ I really, really liked our chances because of who we had.”

The Giants easily took care of Southridge in the first contest, defeating the Raiders 76-52. Jones led the way with 23 points, while Edwards and Bowens each scored 15, and in

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Looking forward to seeing Zebo again, in an NBA 3-on-3 league

In the midst of all this corona-virus insanity, you may have missed the news about what may or may not take place any time soon. Namely, the NBA is getting ready to launch a three-on-three basketball league as a great way to keep recently retired players involved in the game they love—and still close to the fans who love them.

So, it was to no one’s surprise when the owners announced the formation of the league, that you know who’s name jumped off the first players to sign up list? Marion’s own Zach Randolph.

It also hit me when I talk to sports media types around the nation, how much Zebo is appreciated and loved by the NBA nationwide community, and then this hit me: Here are some big time names of former Indiana superstar high school players who went on to play in the NBA, names that everyone knows:

- Mike Woodson,
- Kent Benson,
- Billy Keller,
- Scott Skiles,
- Rick Fox,
- Clyde Lovellette,
- Tom and Dick Van Arsdale,
- Glenn “Big Dog” Robinson,
- Shawn Kemp,
- Bonzi Wells,



SPORTS TALK

Jim Brunner



- Oscar Robertson,
- George McGinnis,
- Larry Bird,
- and Marion’s own Zach Randolph.

All 15 of those former Indiana high school superstars went on to play in the National Basketball Association. All 15 stack up in Indiana’s all-time top 25 NBA scorers who played high school basketball in Indiana.

Lately I have had fun quizzing my friends on

**It also hit me when I talk to sports media types around the nation, how much Zebo is appreciated and loved by the NBA nationwide community**

this question: Name the top three all-time NBA scorers who also played high school basketball in Indiana.

The first name comes quickly: The Big O, Oscar Robertson.

Then a pause and number two: Larry Bird.

So when I ask for number three they think and then look at me and ask: Is it Zach?

Yep, and then I ask: Who is number one in NBA rebounds from among Indiana high school players? Extra credit if you answered Zebo.

So when you think fondly about Zach’s 2000 state title with the Giants, and his Final Four at Michigan State, and his great years in the NBA, think how great it will be to see him one more time—even if it’s in a three-on-three in the half court.

*Jim Brunner is the voice of sports in Grant County.*



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# LEGAL AND PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT III OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.

In the matter of the Unsupervised Estate of: FAYE A. BLANTON, deceased.

Cause Number 27D03-2003-EU-24

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of March, 2020, KIMBERLY HULLINGER, was appointed Administrator of the Estate of FAYE A. BLANTON, deceased, who died on the 10th day of March, 2020.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana, this 19th day of March, 2020.  
Jason McVicker (26210-02) SPITZER HERRIMAN STEPHENSON  
HOLDEREAD CONNER & PERSINGER, LLP 122 East Fourth Street P.O. Box 927 Marion, IN 46952 (765) 664-7307

/s/ Pamela Harris PAMELA HARRIS, Clerk	
Jason D. McVicker SPITZER HERRIMAN STEPHENSON HOLDEREAD MUSSER & CONNER, LLP 122 E. Fourth Street, P.O. Box 927 Marion, IN 46952 765/664-7307 TNH 3/25, 4/1	

STATE OF INDIANA	IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT 3
COUNTY OF GRANT	CAUSE NO.: 27D03-2003-GU-20
IN RE THE GUARDIANSHIP OF: AUDREY E. BEENE, Minor	
SUMMONS	

The State of Indiana to SARA McGINNIS, whereabouts unknown.

You are notified that the Petitioner, Tracy Vickers, has filed a Verified Petition for Appointment of Guardian Over the Person and Estate of Minor for Audrey E. Beene. This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named individual, SARA McGINNIS, whose whereabouts is unknown.

Said Petition is set for hearing on the 12th day of June, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

You are hereby advised that you must respond to the matters contained in the petition filed by the petitioner herein or may file your own opposing motions on or before thirty (30) days of the final publication of this notice. If you fail to respond, the Court will consider said Petition in your absence.

/s/ Pamela Harris PAMELA HARRIS, Clerk	
<b>PUBLICATION DATES: APRIL 1, 8, and 15</b> Attorney for Petitioner: Jason D. McVicker SPITZER HERRIMAN STEPHENSON HOLDEREAD MUSSER & CONNER, LLP 122 E. Fourth Street, P.O. Box 927 Marion, IN 46952 765/664-7307 TNH 4/1, 4/8, 4/15	

STATE OF INDIANA	IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT 3
COUNTY OF GRANT	CAUSE NO.: 27D03-2003-GU-19
IN RE THE GUARDIANSHIP OF: BENJAMIN D. BEENE, Minor	
SUMMONS	

The State of Indiana to SARA McGINNIS, whereabouts unknown.

You are notified that the Petitioner, Tracy Vickers, has filed a Verified Petition for Appointment of Guardian Over the Person and Estate of Minor for Benjamin D. Beene. This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named individual, SARA McGINNIS, whose whereabouts is unknown.

Said Petition is set for hearing on the 12th day of June, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

You are hereby advised that you must respond to the matters contained in the petition filed by the petitioner herein or may file your own opposing motions on or before thirty (30) days of the final publication of this notice. If you fail to respond, the Court will consider said Petition in your absence.

/s/ Pamela Harris PAMELA HARRIS, Clerk	
<b>PUBLICATION DATES: APRIL 1, 8, and 15</b> Attorney for Petitioner: Jason D. McVicker SPITZER HERRIMAN STEPHENSON HOLDEREAD MUSSER & CONNER, LLP 122 E. Fourth Street, P.O. Box 927 Marion, IN 46952 765/664-7307 TNH 4/1, 4/8, 4/15	

**NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS**

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT III  
COUNTY OF GRANT

IN THE SUPERVISED ESTATE  
ESTATE OF JAMES SANDERS CAUSE NO. 27D03-1911-ES-14

<b>PETITION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP</b>	
BE IT KNOWN, that on this 11th day of March, 2020, the Personal Representative, Greenfield Banking Company, by its attorneys, filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court III of said Grant County, Indiana, its Petition to Determine Heirship in the above captioned lawsuit together with its affidavit that said unknown heirs legatees, devisees, husbands or wives, widows or widowers, receivers, trustees, creditors, lessees, successors, and assigns respectively of each and every one of the above named person is unknown, are not residents of the State of Indiana, or that their residence is unknown.	
Said heirs are, therefore, hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said petition, and unless they appear and answer or otherwise respond thereto at the calling of said cause on <b>May 6th, 2020 at 8:15 A.M.</b> for return date in said Court to be begun and held at the Courthouse in Marion, Indiana, on the said date and time, said petition and the matters pertinent thereto will be heard and a decree determining heirship and the respective interest in said estate will be entered in their absence.	
WITNESS the hand and seal of the Clerk of the said Court on March 24, 2020.	
Warren Haas, (Seal) Clerk of the Superior Court	
Albert C. Harker, Attorney #7465-27 KILEY, HARKER, & CERTAIN 300 West Third Street P.O. Box 899 Marion, IN 46952 Telephone: 765-664-9041 TNH 4/1, 4/8, 4/15	

<b>ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS</b>	
Sealed proposals for the construction of the <b>Marion Sewer CIPP-City Wide Sewer Lining Phase 1 Project</b> will be received by the Utility Service Board, City of Marion, Indiana, at the Marion Wastewater Plant, 1540 North Washington Street, Marion, Indiana 46952, until <b>10:00 a.m., local time on April 14, 2020</b> and then will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received later than the above time will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.	

The work for which Proposals are to be received:

<b>MARION SEWER C.I.P.P.- CITY WIDE SEWER LINING PHASE 1 PROJECT #15-20-08</b>
The work consists of CIPP lining approximately <b>720-feet of 12" Sewer Pipe and 2,043-feet of 8" Sewer Pipe</b> , and all appurtenances necessary to complete the sewer lining work as shown on the drawings and as specified.

Proposals shall be properly and completely executed on the standard Proposal Form obtainable from the office of the Engineer, with fully executed Non-collusion Affidavit required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Form 96, Contractors Bid for Public Works, shall accompany all bids as prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts. Each Proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the Marion Utility Service Board, or an acceptable bidder's bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana, in an amount of not less than 5% of said bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which said bid is made. Any proposal not accompanied by the above required items may be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.

No consideration for escalation of prices can be considered, and therefore contractors are advised not to include any such escalation clauses in their proposals for this project.

The Contractor to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, acceptable to the Marion Utility Service Board in the amount of 100% of the contract price.

No bidder may withdraw his Proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving Proposals. The Utility Service Board reserves the right to retain any and all Proposals for a period of not more than 90 days, and said Proposals shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The B94005.EEB

Marion Utility Service Board further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the Marion Utility Service Board, or to reject all Proposals.

The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, are on file in the office of the Utility Engineer, Marion Utilities, 1540 North Washington Street, Marion, Indiana 46952. Plans and specifications may be secured from the office of the Utility Engineer, Marion Utilities, 1540 North Washington Street, Marion, Indiana 46952, (765) 664-2391 for a non-refundable fee of \$25.00.

CITY OF MARION, INDIANA By: Utility Service Board TNH 3/25, 4/1
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<b>INDIANA QUIZ ANSWERS</b>
1. Madam C. J. Walker,
2. Shelley Long,
3. Florence Henderson

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR 3 OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.

In the matter of the Unsupervised Estate of: Pamela K. Amburgey, deceased.

Cause Number 27D03-2003-EU-28

Notice is hereby given that on March 27, 2020, Larry D. Dilley was appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Pamela K. Amburgey, deceased, who died on March 10, 2020.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana, on March 27, 2020	/s/Pamela K. Harris Clerk, Grant Superior Court 3
Kyle C. Persinger (21779-27) SPITZER HERRIMAN STEPHENSON HOLDEREAD CONNER & PERSINGER, LLP 122 East Fourth Street P.O. Box 927 Marion, Indiana 46952 Telephone (765) 664-7307 TNH 4/1, 4/8	

<b>ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS</b>
Sealed proposals for the construction of the <b>Marion Sewer CIPP-City Wide Sewer Lining Phase 2 Project</b> will be received by the Utility Service Board, City of Marion, Indiana, at the Marion Wastewater Plant, 1540 North Washington Street, Marion, Indiana 46952, until <b>10:00 a.m., local time on April 14, 2020</b> and then will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received later than the above time will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.

The work for which Proposals are to be received:

<b>MARION SEWER C.I.P.P.- CITY WIDE SEWER LINING PHASE 2 PROJECT #31-20-07</b>
The work consists of CIPP lining approximately <b>2,314-feet of 12" Sewer Pipe and 664-feet of 8" Sewer Pipe</b> , and all appurtenances necessary to complete the sewer lining work as shown on the drawings and as specified.

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CITY OF MARION, INDIANA By: Utility Service Board TNH 3/25, 4/1
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STATE OF INDIANA SUPERIOR/CIRCUIT COURT GRANT COUNTY 2020 TERM	
COUNTY OF GRANT	CAUSE NO. 27D01-2001-MF-000014
AFENA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION Plaintiff	
vs. RICHARD H. SMITH, Deceased; LINDA L. SMITH, Deceased; DISCOVER BANK; DAVE SMITH; DANIEL SMITH; BELINDA L. SMITH, a/k/a BELINDA L. BANISTER a/k/a BELINDA BIDWELL a/k/a BELINDA MUSSELMAN; and, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF RICHARD H. SMITH and LINDA L. SMITH, both Deceased Defendants	

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF INDIANA TO THE PERSONS ABOVE NAMED:  
ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ASSIGNS OF  
RICHARD H. SMITH AND LINDA L. SMITH

You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Court above named by the person named as Plaintiff. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage In Rem.

This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ASSIGNS OF RICHARD H. SMITH AND LINDA L. SMITH, whose whereabouts are unknown.

If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.

You must respond within thirty (30) days after the last publication herein, and in case you fail to do so, judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

MICHAEL E. FARRER/#6784-49 GRAHAM, HOPPER, FARRER & WILSON, P.C. Attorneys at Law 1601 South Anderson Street, P.O. Box 494 Elwood, Indiana 46036 Telephone: 765-552-9878 Facsimile: 765-552-5496 TNH 3/18, 3/25, 4/1	/s/Pamela K. Harris Clerk of Grant County, Indana
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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING**

**2021 Capital Assistance Grant Application to Purchase Replacement Transit Vehicles  
Marion Transportation Department**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Marion will provide an opportunity for a public hearing for the purpose of considering a grant for which federal capital assistance under Section 5339 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended, is being sought. The hearing will be held if any person interested in a hearing submits a request in writing that a hearing be held to the City of Marion via the Marion Transportation Department, 520 East 6th Street, Marion, IN 46953 within a ten (10) day period following the date of publication of this notice.

**A. Description of Project:**

The City of Marion, through its Transportation Department is seeking federal Section 5339, as well as State of Indiana Public Mass Transportation Fund (PMTF) capital assistance to purchase up to four (4) buses 2021-model buses with wheelchair lifts to replace four (4) existing buses.

The vehicles to be replaced are 2017-model Ford Cutaway E-450 16-passenger buses with handicapped lifts. The City of Marion will purchase these buses using the State of Indiana's Quantity Purchase Award procurement method and vendor established for all Indiana transit systems that receive federal and state funding assistance.

The estimated project cost is estimated at \$240,000 (\$60,000 per base vehicle). All vehicle optional equipment that is in addition to the cost for the base vehicle as established by the Indiana Department of Transportation's Office of Transit will be the responsibility of the City of Marion. The city is seeking 80% federal funds, plus State of Indiana PMTF 10% funding for this bus replacement from federal Section 5339 and State of Indiana PMTF funding. The City of Marion will be responsible for the remaining funding for this purchase (10% of the cost for each base vehicle, plus optional equipment deemed necessary by the Marion Transportation Department.

**B. Relocation:** No persons, families and/or businesses are estimated to be displaced by this project. Persons, families and businesses so displaced will be afforded rights as required by the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970.

**C. Environment:** The proposed project will not have a significant environmental impact upon the service area.

If a hearing is requested and scheduled the City of Marion will afford an opportunity for interested persons, agencies and private transportation providers to be heard with respect to the social, environmental, and economic aspects of the grant. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said grant at the public hearing.

A copy of the application is currently available for public inspection at the Marion Transportation Department, 520 East 6th Street, Marion, IN 46953 during normal business hours.

<b>Jess Alumbaugh</b> <b>Mayor, City of Marion, IN</b> TNH 4/1
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**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION**

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT #3 OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY K. HASTY BISHIR, deceased.

ESTATE NUMBER 27D03-2003-EU-27

Notice is hereby given that David M. Payne was on the 23rd day of March, 2020, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Dorothy K. Hasty Bishir, who died on the 10th day of March, 2020, and is authorized to administer said estate without court supervision.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or said claim will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana, on March 26, 2019.

/s/Pamela Harris Pamela Harris, Clerk Grant Superior Court #3
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David M. Payne Attorney #5648-27 Ryan & Payne 112 S. Boots Street Marion, Indiana 46952 (765) 664-4132 Attorney for the Estate TNH 4/1, 4/8
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**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Grant County, Indiana that the Grant County Council will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year at the location of the Grant County Complex, 401 South Adams Street, Marion, IN 46953, at 6:00 p.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.

Fund Name: <b>General</b>	Amount
Department: Commissioners Capital Outlays Services & Charges	\$250,000.00 \$176,170.00
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Department: Council Services & Charges Total for <b>General</b> Fund:	\$87,400.00 <b>\$588,570.00</b>

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the evening, against longtime rival Richmond, the Giants would not be denied.

Marion shot 14-of-16 to start the contest, building a lead it would not relinquish on the way to a 74-67 triumph, capturing the fourth championship in school history. Bowsen, in his final game as a Giant, scored 21 points, while Jones and Edwards each scored 18. "We hit our first eight shots in the state championship game," Teagle said. "When we got down there, we pretty much knew that it was in sight. There wasn't going to be much to stop us."

"There was never any doubt," Persinger added. "Southridge, they were always viewed as the weakest, and we knew we just had to play to get [the job] done. And then Richmond, Richmond was a very solid ball club during that time. We had beaten them earlier [in the year,] but they had a lot of talent. We got off to a really good start and set the tone from the beginning."

With their win over the Red Devils, the Giants finished the season with a 29-0 record, becoming the sixth team ever to win a state championship in an undefeated campaign. Fur-

thermore, Green became one of four coaches to win four state championships. "Nineteen seventy-five set the standard," Keeton said. "That showed that Marion could win a state championship, even as a small school in a small town. But then in 1985, when we [achieved] perfection, it was like, 'We not only can win the state, we can beat everybody on the way to the state.'" The 1985 Giants finished what they set out to do from their first practice: win the state championship and go undefeated, but with Jones, Edwards, Persinger, Keys, and Ewer all set to return in 1986 and in 1987 as well, the 1985 state championship was the genesis of one of the greatest eras in Indiana basketball history.

"After the '85 game, Marion was so thrilled with two things," Brunner said. "They finally got that fourth state championship, but, even more importantly, they knew that a big part of this basketball team that won a state championship would be back the next two years."

"Maybe, just maybe, something spectacular could be happening here."

*Next week: The Giants hope to repeat in 1985-86.*

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The Wildcats remember 2014

The first of three NAIA championships for IWU

With actual games suspended, The Sports Herald is taking the opportunity to reminisce. Grant County has been the home to some great basketball teams, including the Marion Giants teams who have won state titles and the Indiana Wesleyan Wildcats' teams that have garnered NAIA national championships. In this series, we look at the Wildcat men's three title runs.—Editor

by Sean Douglas

Over the last 15 years, behind the remarkable leadership of Greg Tonagel, the IWU Wildcats men's basketball program has morphed into one of the top small-college basketball programs both in the state of Indiana and in the entire country.

In the last seven years, the Wildcats, after years of building a culture, putting in the hard work, and bringing in the right players, have won three national championships and may well have won a fourth if this year's tournament could have been held, further establishing a winning tradition. To reach the summit, the Wildcats spent a lot of time working in the valley. Prior to Tonagel's arrival in 2005, IWU was either a middle-of-the-pack team, in a good year.

Before coming to IWU, Tonagel was coaching at his alma mater, Valparaiso University. He was young and eager to work his way up in the coaching world. During the 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 seasons, his younger brother Joel was a member of the Wildcats. In those two years, IWU went a combined 17-41, but despite those struggles, Tonagel started to feel God, and his brother, pulling him towards Marion.

"[Joel] kept telling me what a neat place it was, and he just thought there was a lot of potential," Tonagel said. "So, in my mind, I knew there was something special about Indiana Wesleyan and maybe some untapped potential."

While his colleagues questioned his move from an NCAA Division I pro-

gram to a small NAIA school, Tonagel felt that his place was at the helm of the Wildcats' program.

"I was a young coach. I was just a director of operations [at Valparaiso], so I was at the bottom of the pole," Tonagel said. "I just had a passion for my faith and a passion for coaching, so I felt like I could do something at Indiana Wesleyan more so than at the place I was at. When I left Division I, in the eyes of many, they were questioning why I would take a step down. But in my mind, I was just following my heart and following the Lord. Even at that time, I didn't know what Indiana Wesleyan could turn into, but I knew there was something exciting out there."

There were some growing pains in the nine years leading up to IWU's first national championship season, but from the moment that Tonagel took over, the direction of the program changed. In his first season, 2005-2006, the Wildcats put together their first winning season in five years, winning 18 games. In his second season, IWU went 28-5, winning a pair of national tournament games before falling in the NAIA DII quarterfinals.

In 2007-2008, the Wildcats finished 23-11, and in the six seasons leading up to their first championship campaign, IWU won 29, 30, 28, 21, and 26 games.

"It was just about surviving the first couple of years," Tonagel said. "I was young and inexperienced. I had great passion, but I'm not sure I knew how to execute it. But God kept bringing the right people into my life and into the life of this program. Jeff Clark comes in in year three. Our program gets supported by a great administration. Mark DeMichael comes in and has a great vision for our athletics department. And then, some key donors step in...and are able to fund us at a level that allows us to cast this vision and more so

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From the 2008-2009 season until the 2013-2014 campaign, the Wildcats advanced to the NAIA DII national championship tournament's quarterfinals four times, but would not get any further. It was at that point that Tonagel made a coaching change that would change the trajectory of the program.

"It was just born out of extreme frustration," Tonagel said. "We went to four straight Elite Eights and kept knocking on the door. For me, it was more philosophical than it was a strategy or a scheme. God really introduced to me the concept of 'Fearless' and flipped my paradigm of coaching. Instead of, 'How do I discipline and strike my players with fear,' it [became] 'how do we take fear out of the game?'

What we learned was, when we removed fear, we gave people the [opportunity] to maximize their potential.

"Once we started coaching from a philosophy of removing fear, we saw everything go to another level."

This "Fearless" initiative, together with his now well-known IAM3 culture, helped set the stage for the 2013-2014 season, in which IWU, behind a stellar cast of Jordan Weidner, RJ Mahurin, and many others, would make another run at winning a national championship. Heading into that season, the Wildcats had the right collection of pieces needed to make a championship run.

The group was led by se-

nior guard Jordan Weidner, who had been a star for all of his Wildcat career. In his final season, Weidner was the team's leader on the floor. He lived the IAM3rd lifestyle daily, and everyone followed his lead not just on the court, but off it as well.

"When you come in as a 17-, 18-, 19-year-old kid, you hear it, and you're like, 'Oh, that's cool,'" Weidner said. "But over the course of two, three, four years, to see two guys that are doing it that way...it was really cool to see and be a part of. It really kind of shapes the way that you not only view coaches, but the way you view life. That's the biggest reason I'm into coaching and wanting to develop and start building a program because I was able to experience those guys doing the same thing."

RJ Mahurin, who played his first three years at NCAA Division I Indiana State, transferred to IWU for his final year to play with his younger brother, Lane (who would go on to become an integral part of the 2016 championship team). Right away RJ knew that something was different about the Wildcats' program and that this group had championship potential.

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"No one was worried about themselves. [It was] countercultural to what we see a bunch of times in today's society with the way programs are run. I just felt immediately welcomed. I felt that there was great leadership in place, and they were set to do great things regardless if I had been there or not. They challenged me to think about [things] in a different way.

"Don't get me wrong, basketball was important, but our relationship with God, growing as a small community of believers, pushing each other, and

holding each other accountable—I had never had that before. It made everything we accomplished that much more meaningful. It was the most special year of my life."

With Weidner and Mahurin, the Wildcats had a perfect one-two combo that could lead the way in an always tough Crossroads League and in the national tournament.

"With a player like RJ, who had played at such a high level, you knew you were going to get a little bit of everything," Weidner said. "He stretched the floor as a five-man. He obviously rebounded it really well and scored it really well. He was unique in that a lot of bigger guys are shot blockers or [rim protectors], but he was a big guy that took charges. It was kind of unique having a post player...that was taking charges and doing a little dirty work and underneath. Me and him were most often the leading scorers."

In his senior season, Weidner averaged 18.9 points per contest while shooting 48.3 percent from the field, while Mahurin, in his lone season at IWU, scored 18.1 points per contest while averaging nearly eight rebounds.

"Jordan was a special player. He was the right guy at that moment to lead us in this 'Fearless' initiative," Tonagel added. "That's just how he was built, and guys really got behind that. But then to add that second piece, which was RJ Mahurin, you have to have two big horses to win a race like that. It took RJ a while...but once he got going in the second half of the season, I knew we had a chance and that something special could happen."

After those two, the Wildcats had a variety of players that excelled in their various roles. Lane Mahurin and Bob Peters, both of whom went on to be 2,000-point scorers, were freshmen, and both excelled coming off the bench. Mahurin averaged 9.9 points per contest in 37 games, while also averaging 5.7 rebounds per game. Peters shot 51.5 percent from the floor in his freshman year, averaging 8.8 points and 2.6 rebounds.

"To have two guys who were for the majority of the year coming off the bench [that would go on] to be 2,000-point scorers, those are special pieces that you have," Weidner said. "It really put teams in a tough spot."

Zac Vandewater, who was named the Defensive Player of the Year in the Crossroads League, finished with 46 steals in six blocks that season and did an excellent job of locking down the opposing teams'

top players. "He was super athletic, he was long, and he was a very good on-ball defender," Weidner said. "He took on the challenge every game of just guarding the best player on the other team."

DJ Bettinger was what is called a 3-and-D type player, one who excels at shooting the basketball while also playing sound defense. In fact, Bettinger ranked second in all of NAIA DII in three-point field goal percentage (48.8) that season. "DJ, he was a lights-out shooter," Weidner said. "He didn't turn it over. He just knew his role and did it really well."

And while he did not get as much playing time as many of his teammates, Garvin Haughey was equally as imperative to the team's success. "He played four minutes a game on the season. He only played in 21 of our 37 games, but I would argue he was the most important part of our tournament run that year and the season in general," Weidner said. "[He was] a spiritual leader on and off the court, making sure guys on the bench...were always ready to go, always energized, and always encouraging somebody."

"Garvin was a senior that year, and he was the engine that kept our team going," Mahurin said. "In practices, at the end of the bench, or [on the floor], whatever it was, he completely did not have a single care about himself. It was about the team. I can't tell you how many times, especially early on when I was struggling to get accustomed to the league, he was there for me every day in practice building me up telling me to, 'Keep fighting, keep fighting, it's going to come. You're a great player. Don't worry about this.' He was the most important piece of our team, and I don't think you find a guy on the team who didn't say the same thing."

With this strong nucleus of players, and with a championship as their goal, the Wildcats embarked on their journey. The Wildcats got off to a fast start, going 7-1 in their first eight games, which included sweeps of the annual Caleb Dimmich Memorial Tournament and the CL/WHAC Challenge.

But, as with every championship team, they had to overcome some adversity. After winning five straight Crossroads League contests in January, the Wildcats went on the road to play Bethel, whom they had beat at home back in late November. The Wildcats were not as successful in the second game, falling to the Pilots by 10 points.

"I distinctly remember the loss at Bethel," Weidner said. [Tonagel] kind of got

into us a little bit and says, 'We are all talking about the national tournament, but fellas, at this rate, we are not even going to make it.' It was that point where we said, 'Alright, we've got all these pieces, and we have a great group, but we are not doing it together.' That was the most pivotal point."

The Wildcats only lost one more game.

They closed out their regular season conference schedule with eight straight wins, which included a one-point victory over No. 9 Saint Francis, an 11-point triumph over No. 14 Huntington, and a four-point win over RV Marian. In the Crossroads League tournament, however, Bethel got the better of the Wildcats again, defeating IWU 102-95 in the semifinal round.

"We lost our last game going into the national tournament," Tonagel said. "But looking back, that was probably the best thing that happened to us. It allowed us to reset. We had some great practices, and we were really focused and hungry heading into the national tournament. It was really after those practices that I began to think, 'Okay, we could do something as a team right now, and we are poised for a run.'"

The Wildcats made their way to Branson, Missouri, where they began the tournament with an 82-67 victory over Reinhardt, and most of the team was feeling great about their chance



Photo courtesy of IWU

Jordan Weidner, shown here shooting the ball, averaged 23 points per game while shooting 51.4 percent from the field in the NAIA national championship tournament to lead the Wildcats to their first title in 2014.

es going forward.

"I felt in the second half of the season, we were in a groove," Mahurin said. "We didn't drop many games, and we felt pretty confident. But when we got out to Branson, I remember playing our first game, and [afterwards], I just [thought] with the way we played and moved the ball and defended, I [thought,] 'We aren't losing a game out here.' I got a feeling after that first game. I can't explain it really, but everything was going in. Everything was falling our way."

But Weidner, who had

been rock solid for the Wildcats all year long, had struggled. He scored just seven points, while turning the ball over five times. "The first game there in the first round was probably one of the worst games of my career," Weidner said. "I was awful. It was me putting so much pressure on myself of, 'I have to be the one that wins this for us. I have to be the one that gets us over the hump. I have to be the one that wins every game for us.' It was so much pressure that I was putting on myself that didn't really need to be there in the first

place."

Later that night, while struggling to sleep Weidner opened his Bible, and, with what might be described as divine intervention, he opened up to the exact Scripture that he needed. "The passage I opened up to was Psalm 18," he said, "The symbolism of what David is writing about, of being in battle and the Lord delivering his enemies when he takes refuge in Him, it was this special moment of literally being in the midst of a tournament that can oftentimes be referred to as a battle or war.

To be in that moment and in that situation and come across that passage, I could just feel the weight being lifted off my shoulders. I felt so much freedom."

"Jordan, at that moment, laid down the fear of never being good enough or never leading our program to its peak," Tonagel added. "And once he did that, it was amazing how he relaxed and played better basketball."

With this newfound fearlessness, the Wildcats continued to blaze through everyone they faced. In the Round of 16, they de-

feated Oklahoma Wesleyan to punch their ticket to the Elite Eight. "We go out in the second game, and...there was no fear," Mahurin said. "Our identity wasn't wrapped up in what we did on the basketball floor."

The Elite Eight was a round that historically had given the Wildcats fits, particularly in the last six years. By then, however, the Wildcats were fully locked in, and it was clear that they were playing their best basketball at the right time.

"To me, it just showed what happens when you place your focus on something bigger than basketball," Tonagel said. "That's really the story of that run. You really saw God begin to speak to our team and individual players in new ways. The bigger the stage, the less we focused solely on basketball. It was amazing how well we played as a result of that. It really gave me a new template on how I approached the national tournament."

Against Friends, Weidner scored 35 points on 10-of-19 shooting, as the Wildcats cruised past the Falcons to advance to their first Final Four in school history. "He played like a man," Mahurin said of Weidner. "Every time we needed that crucial bucket, he just went and got it. You could tell that this was his opportunity, and that he was going to take it.

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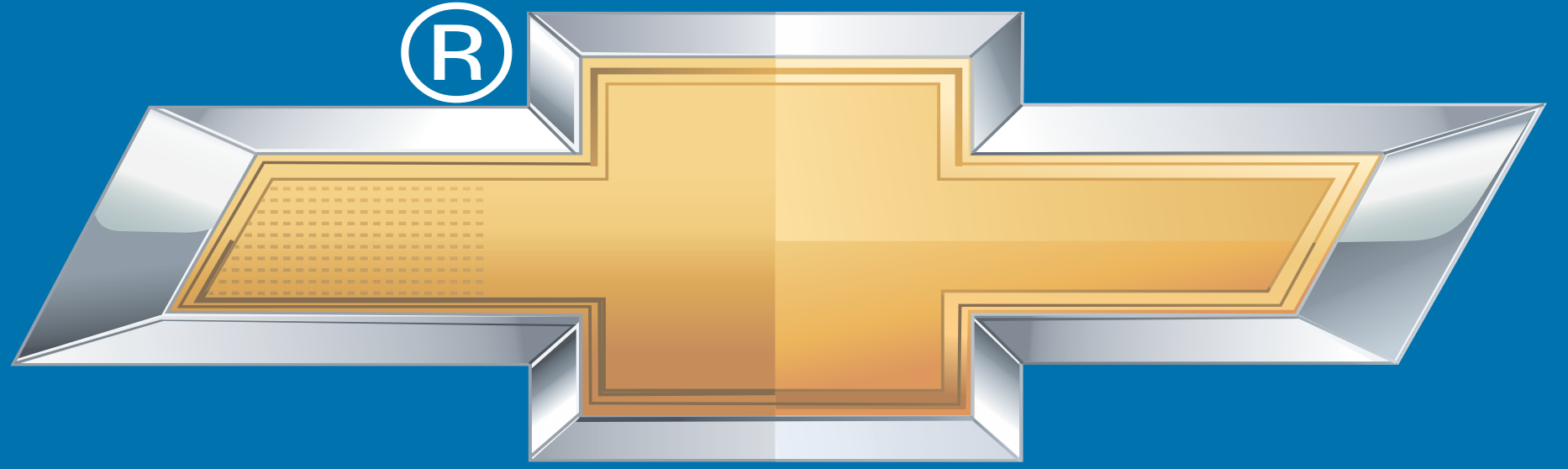
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He deserved every accolade that he could have because he led by example.”

“I didn’t have to think. I didn’t have to put any more pressure on myself,” Weidner added. “It was about getting out and just [playing].”

IWU continued its dominance, defeating No. 18 Southeastern 98-77 to reach the championship game and tie a program record with 30 wins, which was first established in the 2007 season. Weidner, after his 35-point performance against Friends, scored 29 points against the Fire. RJ and Lane Mahurin each scored 14, while Vandewater added 11 as the Wildcats advanced to their first NAIA DII championship game ever.

The next night, IWU faced off against No. 10 Midland from Nebraska—a team that had defeated IWU by four points back in mid-December. But this was a different Wildcats’ team—one that had not only embraced the IAm3rd mentality, but also the concept of what it meant to play without fear.

“We were playing so well and we were playing with so much confidence that we didn’t care who we played,” Mahurin said. “I don’t think anybody going into that game thought we would lose it. We just came out with confidence, and I can honestly say as a basketball player that that’s the most confidence I’ve had, and I think it was the accumulation of the mindset, the ability of the team, the depth of the team, and the leadership...It was a great experience.”

Against Midland, the Wildcats got off to a fast start and never trailed, taking a 36-31 lead into halftime. IWU used a 9-0 run to begin the second half and increase its lead to 51-38, and later, after Midland cut the deficit to eight, the Wildcats used another 9-0 run to build their advantage to 17 points.

Midland did not go away quietly, trimming the Wildcats’ lead to seven points with 2:22 to play, but an RJ Mahurin basket and five combined free throws from Lane Mahurin and Vandewater helped secure IWU’s first national championship.

After nine years of building a program and enduring a plethora of tough losses, the Wildcats finally reached the pinnacle they had long sought. “It made it all worth it,” Weidner said. “A lot of times, it’s hard to put losses in perspective, and it’s hard to come to grips with a loss or what you could do differently. I think you get to a point after three consecutive years of losing early in the tournament, it made all of those losses worth it, in a way.”

“It was just kind of a weird realization that it happened,” Mahurin added. “It didn’t sink in for a while. I remember coming off the floor and I just hugged my brother. It was just so much bigger than basketball. It was just validation. It’s something that not a lot of people get to experience. The fact that God blessed us with that moment is something I will always be thankful for. To experience that with that group of players and that group of coaches was just unbelievably special.”

The team set a new program record with 31 wins and became the first since the inception of the tournament in 1992 to win every game by at least 10 points.

“It was very surreal,” Weidner said. “I just remember checking out of the game and hugging Greg and hugging Jeff. We were all crying. Then, the horn goes off, and it was me, [Steven Gidley] and Garvin just giving each other hugs... just laughing, crying, and sharing what a journey it had been and how everything we had done to that point was so worth it.

“It was a special moment that obviously not a lot of people get to experience. But to be able to experience it with the guys that you have been doing it with for so long...it just made it all so worth it. Every loss, every hard workout, in that moment, it all just paid off.”

In the tournament, Weidner averaged 23 points per contest while shooting 51.4 percent from the field.

The 2013-2014 Wildcats began what has been a stellar run for the Wildcats, who have solidified their spot as one of the best college programs in the country. Since then, the Wildcats have dominated the Crossroads League, have continued to refine their philosophies, and, above all, have transformed themselves into a national championship contender every year.

“It’s always special to be the first one to win it,” Weidner said. “But it also wouldn’t have been possible if not for the groups that came before us and set

# WBAT spends a morning at the Statehouse

the bar. It always will be special. It was a collective. We didn’t have one guy that was really good—we were a collective unit that had so many good pieces, almost like a machine. We had so many guys that bought into doing their part. That’s what you want in a team. That’s what made us so special.”

As everyone quickly came to find out, the Wildcats were just getting started.

“Our expectations were raised to another level,” Tonagel said. “The weight of expectations when you get to a championship is far different than trying to get to one. Now, we had a target on our back. People weren’t just playing Indiana Wesleyan, they were playing the national champs. Night in and night out, we got everybody’s best. That has raised our level of play. We have to come in every day and work out at a level we never had to before.

“And, if you’re a competitor, you welcome that.”


*Next week: The Wildcats come back to win it all again in the 2016 season.*




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