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DEATHS

Week of September 15-21 Ralph Edward Gerstorff 1950-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Tuesday, September 22 at 1 pm.

Kennedy Christine Gerstorff 2020-2020

Arranged have been entrusted to Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel.

Amber L. Jones 1986-2020

A graveside service took place at Park Cemetery in Fairmount on Monday, September 21 at 11 am

Maureen "Rachel" A. Simison

son 1944-2020

A Celebration of Life took place on Saturday, September 19 at 1020 S. Washington St., Marion.

George F. Whiteman 1927-2020

Funeral services were held at New Hope Baptist Church,

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INDIANA QUIZ

Over the years, many United States Presidents have visited the Hoosier State. Match each of the four clues to the correct Presidential name listed below.

- 1. This President, in 1866, spoke from the same Bates House Hotel balcony his predecessor had used five years earlier.
- 2. On a 1948 "whistlestop" campaign, this President stopped in at the Beech Grove Masonic
- 3. In 1887, this President visited the brand new Indiana Statehouse with his young bride, Frances.
- 4. This President, known for being "silent," let his wife Grace do the talking when they came to Penn Station in Richmond in 1926.

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Plans set for 'National Night Out'

The City of Marion's Neighborhood Associations are hosting "National Night Out" ("NNO") on October 6th in a new manner from previous years.

Neighborhood Associations Coordinator, Kayla Johnson, said due to COVID-19, this year's event will take place within each neighborhood, promoting "distanced relationship building." Associations are

encouraging neighbors to have dinner in their front yards on Oct. 6th, and socialize with neighbors from a distance. First responders will drive through neighborhoods between 5pm-7pm, pausing to converse with citizens at parks and streets.

Thirty-six years ago, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) created "NNO" as an annual community-building campaign to promote strong police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to foster safer neighborhoods and more caring places to live and work. The NATW has been encouraging communities to build on the purpose of the campaign and make it their own. More information on the national campaign is natw.org.

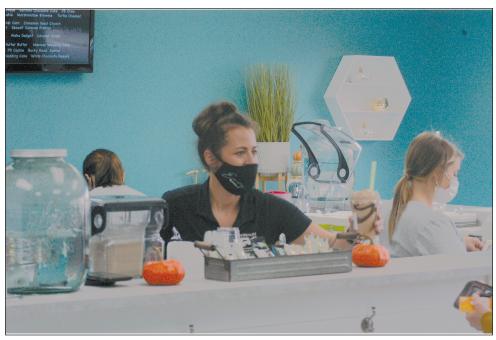
Johnson said Marion neighborhood associations have been grateful throughout the years to carry the tradition onward. "In our city, 'NNO' will still be an evening to pro-

still be an evening to promote neighborly relationships: neighbors—neighbors—first responders, and neighbors—city officials...even though this year's event will be held differently," John-

on said.

Neighbors are also encouraged to keep porch lights on more frequently and replace any broken house numbers. These regular efforts increase safety and efficiency for first responders. As first responders visit each neighborhood, residents are encouraged to take photos & videos and even ask

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Envy Nutrition opens: Workers at Marioin's newest shake shop, Envy Nutrition, prepares shakes for customers. All shakes include 21 different vitamins and minerals, are 250 caloriesor less, and have 24 grams of plant-based proteins. For more on the new business, see Page 2. **Photo by Sean Douglas**

IWU, Community Foundation join partnership for new grant

By Sean Douglas

Earlier last week, Indiana Wesleyan University and the Community Foundation of Grant County announced a new partnership, establishing the CAPE II Career Exploration Grant.

The purpose of this grant, according to a recent press release, is to "financially support Grant County, Indiana organizations that offer career exploration experiences, provide career guidance and counseling, and encourage workplace internships and job shadows."

"IWU is such an asset to the community," Meagan Mathias of the Community Foundation said. "Any time there is a partnership between the university and an organization, it's beneficial for the whole county."

"It really targets young people, helping them get career counseling, understanding their natural strengths, interests, and passions, and how those might fit in the workplace," IWU Associate Dean of Life Calling and Career Carol Brown said. "A lot of times, that comes through experience in either an internship or a job shadow. It's very similar to what we do in our office, but it's geared more towards high school students in our area."

The CAPE II Career Exploration Grant is a continuation of an old Lilly

Endowment grant established in 2002 to promote education in Grant County. The funding was given to IWU to oversee, and after being approached by Dawn Brown, President and CEO of the Community Foundation, both organizations believed it was in their best interest to become partners in an effort to help students in Grant County find appropriate career paths.

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"Indiana Wesleyan has been amazing, as they always are," Community Foundation President and CEO Dawn Brown said. "We are really excited. I think this year, we will be giving over \$100,000 dol-

lars away in the first grant
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Growth Council's new director set to assume post

By Sean Douglas

The Grant County Economic Growth Council saw the return of a familiar face this past week, as Charity Bailey was named the new Senior Director for Economic Development Services.

A Virginia native, Bailey received her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky. In 2013, after her husband, Stephen, took a job as an assistant professor of film and media production, Bailey and her family moved to Grant County. Not too long after, Bailey connected with Tim Eckerle, Grant County Economic Growth Council's Executive Director, which led to a job opportu-

Bailey's first stint with the Growth Council lasted from 2014-2017, where she led their development initiatives, oversaw their daily operations, and assisted with their program and event development.

Bailey then moved on to Taylor to be closer to her family, where she served for three years as the Assistant to the Dean of Sciences.

While at TU, Bailey began her master's degree at Purdue University Global, majoring in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. When the Growth Council reached out to her



CHARITY BAILEY

about coming back in this new role, she felt it was the next logical step in her journey

With a versatile career in higher education, corporations, and non-profits, together with a servant-leadership mentality and an attitude that advocates on behalf of others, Bailey believes she is the right person for the job.

"I have been in the community for eight years. I feel like I know the community, but I also feel like I am an outsider with an outsider's perspective, which could help," Bailey said. "I feel like my historical knowledge of the Growth Council is beneficial coming back. The target industry analysis that was done this past summer, [which] helped the Growth Council see where it needs to go moving forward, I can see where my degree and my jobs in the past can help

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