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## DEATHS

Jan. 12-18

**Allen Edson Line**  
1923-2021  
Funeral services were held at New Hope Baptist Church, Gas City, on Friday, Jan. 15, at 10 a.m. Burial followed at Riverside Cemetery.

**Larry Allen Harris**  
1945-2021  
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Friday, Jan. 15, at 11 a.m. Burial followed at Gardens of Memory, Marion.

**Jasmone Amil Diaz**  
1985-2021  
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Thursday, Jan. 14, at noon. Burial followed at Estates of Serenity, Marion.

**Jerry Lee Couch**  
1938-2021  
The family will host a private visitation followed by a graveside service at Grant Memorial Park, Marion.

**Robert D. Wagoner**  
1942-2021  
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Saturday, Jan. 16, at 1

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## INDIANA QUIZ

### Indiana Quick Quiz

A number of Indiana cities have "Green" in their names. Match the city to the county.

Greentown Greenfield  
Greencastle Greenwood  
Greensburg

A. Hancock B. Decatur  
C. Howard D. Johnson  
E. Putnam

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## ISP investigating police-involved shooting in Marion

The Indiana State Police, at the request of the Grant County Sheriff's Department, is investigating a police officer involved shooting in which a Marion man died.

The preliminary investigation by Indiana State Police detectives revealed that on Sunday, Jan. 17, at approximately 6:10 p.m., officers from the Grant County Sheriff's Department were dispatched to a domestic situation involving a possi-

ble stabbing at a home on 3209 S. Central Ave., Marion. Grant County Sheriff's Lt. Matthew Sneed was the first arriving officer.

Sneed exited his police vehicle and started to walk up a long driveway leading to the home. Evidence indicates at some point, Daniel Young, 25, Marion, allegedly drove a Honda Civic passenger car toward Sneed, causing him to jump on the hood of the moving vehicle. Young purportedly

did not stop and continued driving with Sneed on the hood. Sneed allegedly shot multiple rounds from his issued Sig Sauer nine-millimeter handgun through the Honda's windshield. Young was purportedly hit by multiple bullets and the car came to a stop.

Officers started medical treatment on Young, who was eventually transported via ambulance to Marion General Hospital. Despite life saving measures,

Young died. An autopsy will be scheduled.

Sneed was not injured. Further investigation revealed that during the initial domestic disturbance, Jonathan Loudy, 53, Marion, was stabbed with a knife. He was initially transported to Marion General Hospital and then transported, via ambulance, to a Ft. Wayne Hospital. He suffered multiple stab wounds. Young is suspected of injuring Loudy.

This is an ongoing investigation. No further information will be released at this time.

Upon completion of the investigation, information will be forwarded to the Grant County Prosecutor's Office for review.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

## Indiana Wesleyan holds MLK virtual celebration

By Sean Douglas

For the eighth-consecutive year, albeit in a virtual setting, Indiana Wesleyan University held their annual MLK Celebration, remembering and honoring the life and contributions of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, who dedicated his life to promoting equality, social justice, and a unified America bound together by diversity and inclusion.

"We have been reminded that our communities have not yet arrived at the place that Dr. King envisioned and to which he called us so many years ago," Indiana Wesleyan University Dr. David Wright said. "I hope that this event will, once again, strengthen our resolve, and remind of the beauty of Dr. King's great vision of the beloved com-



Singers of the Eastern Star Church participated in the virtual celebration of the life of MLK.

munity.

"Today, we celebrate the legacy of Dr. King and the many leaders who work publicly and privately to help our nation achieve the reality of our best aspira-

tions.

Several IWU alumni and professors spoke about Dr. King's legacy over the course of the evening, and the event also featured several beautiful musical per-

formances by the Eastern Star Church, Zion Global Ministries, Dr. Phoenix Park-Kim, Professor of Piano at IWU, and the Voice of the Light Choir of the Light of the World

Christian Church in Indianapolis. Additionally, Dr. Debbi Flickinger of Union Institute and University in Cincinnati read the famous Gwendolyn Brooks poem, "Martin Luther King, Jr.,"

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## Upland man arrested for possession of child porn and child molesting

On Friday morning, Jan. 15, a criminal investigation by Indiana State Police Detective Josh Maller resulted in the arrest of Jeffrey Marsee, 59, Upland, on numerous felony charges.

On Dec. 9, 2020, Detective Maller initiated a criminal investigation, at the request of the Taylor University Police Department, into allegations of possession of child pornography and child molestation involving Marsee, a Taylor University employee.

During the investigation, evidence revealed that Marsee had allegedly committed sexual acts with a then 12 to 13-year-old

boy. The purported crime occurred at a Grant County home between the summer and fall of 2002. During a forensic examination of Marsee's electronic devices, investigators allegedly located child pornography. Further investigation revealed evidence that in 2016 Marsee purportedly uploaded photos containing child pornography to a web-based chat group.

At approximately 9:24 a.m., Indiana State Police Trooper Weston Shanks arrested Marsee at his Upland home. Shanks served Marsee with two Grant Superior Court II arrest warrants. One warrant alleged a single felony

charge for child molesting. The second warrant alleged six felony charges for two counts of child exploitation and four counts of possession of child pornography.

Marsee is incarcerated in the Grant County Jail with bonds of \$100,000 and \$20,000.

Marsee was dismissed from employment at Taylor University on Dec. 11, 2020. All questions related to his employment should be referred to the university.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

## Wiley Metal to make new investment in Marion

By Sean Douglas

The first resolution of 2021, No. 1-2021, was discussed by the City of Marion's Development Committee on Thursday afternoon.

Resolution No. 1-2021 is a confirmatory resolution declaring economic revitalization for property tax deductions on real estate for Wiley Metal Fabricating Inc/WW Enterprises. Wiley Metal, which has been a Marion staple since 1982, proposing to invest \$1.8 million, which will create 22 new jobs with a new income of roughly \$600,000.

"What we are doing tonight is asking for your permission to be on the agenda for the next city council meeting to amend Wiley Metal's existing property tax abatement to include some new equipment," Grant County Economic Executive Director Tim Eckerle said. "This is not reducing

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