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DEATHS

Week of June 22-28

Joyce Ann Kierstead 1957-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Wednesday, June 30 at 7 p.m.

Timmy Alan McAfee 1955-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Saturday, June 26 at noon.

Lucille Hurd 1930-2021

At Hurd's request, there will be a private burial at Grant Memorial Park.

Donald "Don" M. Wyatt 1934-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Monday, June 28 at 11 a.m. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park, Marion.

Joyce A. Butcher 1936-2021

Funeral services were held at Armes-Hunt Funeral Home, Fairmount, on Thursday, June 24, at 1 p.m.

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INDIANA QUIZ

From the seven names below, select the four who have served as Governor of Indiana.

Benjamin Harrison, Evan Bayh, Edgar Whitcomb, Lew Wallace, Joe Kernan, Vance Hartke, Robert Orr

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Bryant, Marion graduate, named MHS principal

On Wednesday, Marion Community Schools announced that Marion High School alumnus Lloyd Bryant would be the next principal of Marion High School.

Bryant, has experience in various educational leadership roles at District of Columbia Public Schools in Washington, D.C., and Indianapolis Public Schools. He most recently served as an instructional leader at Prince George's County Public Schools in the D.C.

area.

"It feels great to be back in the community that I grew up in," Bryant said in a statement. "Education is a tool that can transform families, and I am honored to serve as Principal of Marion High School. This is truly an honor and a dream to come home and support the Marion community."

Bryant earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Hampton University in Virginia, and his Master's in Educational Administra-

tion from Trinity University in Washington, D.C.

Marion Community Schools Superintendent Brad Lindsay said he looks to Bryant to continue the positive legacy that recently promoted Assistant Superintendent Keith Burke leaves at Marion High School.

"Mr. Burke has been a positive, productive, and relational Principal for Marion High School, and our team believes Mr. Bryant has the skills and experience to continue our up-

ward momentum," Dr. Lindsay said. "We welcome Principal Bryant, and we look forward to serving alongside him as he joins our outstanding team and helps us to advance our important mission to make better continuously happen for the students, staff, families, and community of Marion."

Monday, July 12, will be Principal Bryant's first official day. Until then, Assistant Superintendent Burke will continue to help provide for a smooth transition.



Lloyd Bryant

CASA looks forward to future



Lestlie Hendricks (left) and Leslie Dunn, State Director. Photo provided by CASA of Grant County

By Sean Douglas

Through the tireless work of Executive Director Leslie Hendricks, combined with the stout efforts of volunteers, staff, and the entire Marion community, CASA of Grant County has been able to serve its long-standing purpose since 1988 – to be a voice for the children of Grant County who are in need of one.

Since becoming Executive Director 12 years ago, Hendricks has known that the work of CASA of Grant County is a collective effort, one that starts with Judge Dana Kenworthy and works down through multiple other channels in between.

All of those moving parts are crucial to CASA of Grant County's success, and one that will continue to carry them in the future.

"It starts with our leader at

the bench – Judge Kenworthy," Hendricks said. "The passionate heart that she has and [her] love of this work [is inspiring.] When you have a leader like that who's directing the entire work that we all do, it raises the bar for each one of our agencies to provide her the best possible information. It increases our desire to do so well because we are all so incredibly respectful of her on the bench."

In a field that can be heartbreaking at times, measuring success can be difficult. But for Hendricks and CASA of Grant County, it's all about the children and serving them to the best of their ability regardless of the situation.

"On the surface, we want to ensure that we are serving more children each and every year," Hendricks said. "If you picture the child wel-

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Ivy Tech announces new Ivy+ program

By Sean Douglas

On Tuesday, Ivy Tech Marion Campus Chancellor Dr. Alex Huskey announced that the Ivy Tech State Board of Trustees recently approved a new tuition model, one that is focused on making college more affordable and ensuring students have equitable access, transparency of cost, ontime completion, and a seamless experience.



IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The initiative, Ivy+, "We transforms the tuition structure at Ivy Tech, including the cost of textbooks, both digital and hard copy, as a regularly assessed fee rather than a separate expense. "We dents, often a often a often a separate expense."

"We know that for students, tuition and books are often a great expense. It's one of those things that is often difficult to navigate," Huskey said. "Essentially, [Ivy+] provides the cost of the textbooks to be [rolled into] tuition. There will still be some tech fees and other things like that, but those are nothing like a \$500 textbook."

Additionally, full-time students who are enrolled in 12 or more credits will not be charged for those extra hours. So, if a student takes 12, 15, or even 24 credit hours a semester, they will only be charged for 12 credit hours. Along with

that, part-time students will see their tuition frozen for the next two years and will continue to pay per credit hour.

"Research shows that 65 percent of college students forego buying a textbook with the biggest reason that they cannot afford them. Often financial aid and scholarships do not cover course materials. Our goal

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