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## NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!

### *Hoosiers go 16-0, complete dream season*

**Curt Cignetti finishes his masterpiece in his 2nd season**

By ALANIS THAMES  
AP Sports Writer

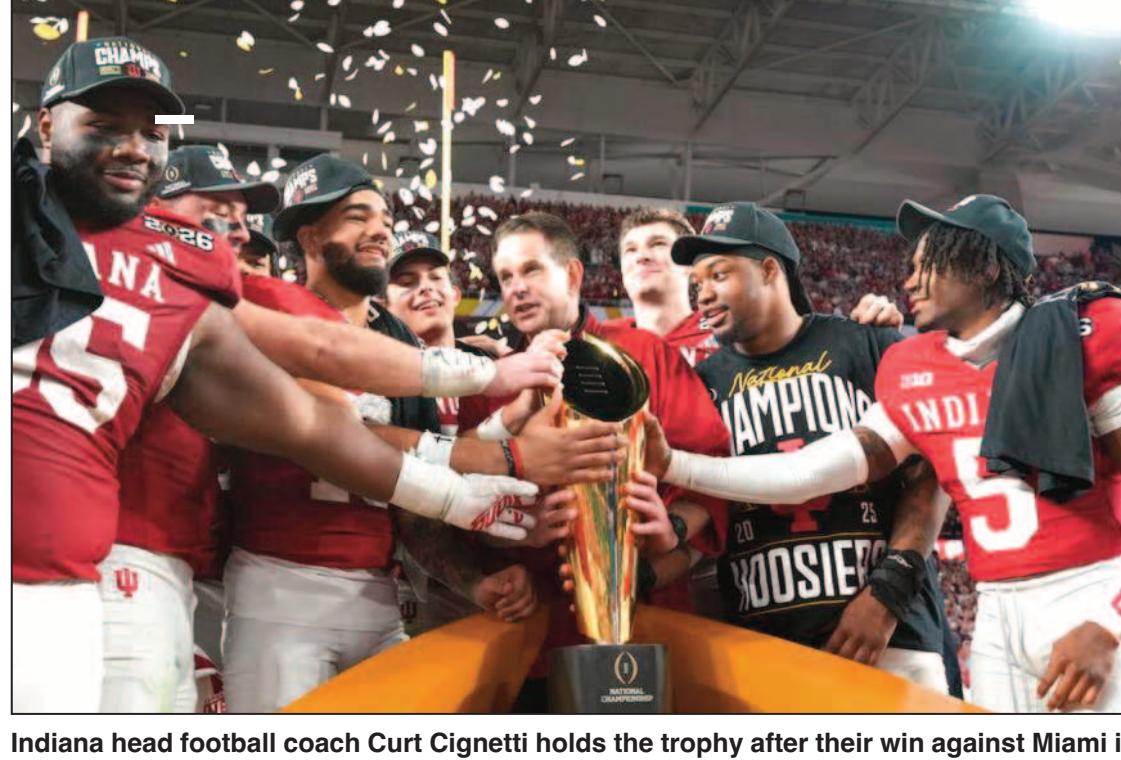
MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Curt Cignetti came to Indiana to win championships.

The old-school, blunt-spoken coach who began his Hoosiers tenure with a promise to bring swift success to the losingest program in college football completed his masterpiece on Monday night, guiding Indiana to a 27-21 win over Miami in the College Football Playoff final and the first national championship in school history.

Cignetti accomplished what few imagined could be done — at least not this quickly. But after taking advantage of the transfer portal and name, image and likeness money to build a championship roster, Cignetti coached the Hoosiers to their first No. 1 ranking, and they finished off an undefeated campaign in front of 67,227 fans at Hard Rock Stadium, concluding one of the most surprising turnarounds in college football history.

Cignetti — who began his head coaching career at Division II Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 2011 — became the first head coach to win a national title in his first or second season with a team since Gene Chizik led Auburn to the championship in 2010.

"What's this moment like for me?" Cignetti said. "Back when I was waxing the staff table at IUP Thanksgiving weekend and the school was



Indiana head football coach Curt Cignetti holds the trophy after their win against Miami in the College Football Playoff national championship game, Monday, Jan. 19, 2026, in Miami Gardens, Fla.

(AP Newsroom Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

shut down for the playoffs ... Did I ever think something like this was possible? Probably not. If you keep your nose down in life and keep working, anything is possible."

Cignetti kept working and kept winning through stints at Elon and James Madison before he made the leap to the Big Ten and dismissed skeptics by saying, "I win. Google me."

On Monday night, Cignetti described his team's performance as gutsy. He certainly called the game that way with a pair of fourth-down gambles on a scoring drive in the fourth quarter that ended with a bruising touchdown run by Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Fernando Mendoza.

Cignetti went for it on fourth-and-5 at Miami's 37, and the result was a first-down catch by Charlie Becker, who

whipped around to snag a back-shoulder pass for a 19-yard gain.

The next was a call from fourth-and-4 at the 12 that was by far the biggest of the game.

Cignetti initially sent his kicker out but then called a timeout. The team huddled on the field, and the coach drew up a quarterback draw. Mendoza scored, slipping a tackle and muscling his way into the end zone to put the Hoosiers up by 10 with nine minutes left.

"We put it in for this game," Cignetti said. "It was a quarterback draw, but it was blocked differently. And we rolled the dice and said they're going to be in (the same defense) again. We blocked it well. He broke a tackle or two and got into the end zone."

The bold call was fitting,

considering how improbable it was that Indiana was playing for the title.

Indiana had never won more than nine games in a season before Cignetti's arrival two years ago, and in 2022 became the first Bowl Subdivision program to reach 700 losses.

Now the Hoosiers have double-digit wins in two straight years.

Cignetti brought 13 players from JMU to Indiana and saw the potential in Mendoza, who transferred from California.

"Coach Cig changed my life," said standout linebacker Aiden Fisher, who followed Cignetti from JMU. "From a kid that felt like I was under-recruited, that I deserved more attention than I got. ... The amount of confidence he built in me, the trust and belief he had in me — I mean, why

would you leave that? When a coach cares that much about you and sees so much for your future. He's talked about development and growth for me all the time. It was a no-brainer. I owe a lot to him. He's an unbelievable coach, but he's an unbelievable person."

A Pittsburgh native and the son of College Football Hall of Fame coach Frank Cignetti Sr., Cignetti graduated from West Virginia in 1982 and began coaching as an assistant at Pitt. He spent the next 24 years working his way up the college football ranks before landing with Nick Saban in Alabama as a recruiting coordinator and receivers coach.

That was Cignetti's last stop before making the jump to head coach at IUP in 2011.

"I never really thought this was possible," he said. "But I just kept working, and things happened. And here we are."

As expected, Cignetti barely smiled during the game. He didn't show much emotion when Indiana defensive lineman Mikail Kamara blocked a punt by Dylan Joyce, leading to a touchdown.

The 64-year-old threw his hands up briefly in triumph after Mendoza scored. Even as Indiana players began celebrating victory after Miami native Jamari Sharpe intercepted the Hurricanes' Carson Beck in the final minute, Cignetti's eyes remained on the field, waiting for the final seconds to tick off the clock.

Once it was final, as confetti began to hit the ground, Cignetti sprinted onto the field and pointed toward the sky.

"We won the national championship at Indiana University," he said. "It can be done."

After that, he cracked a smile.

## VFW Post 673 new hours and open to the public

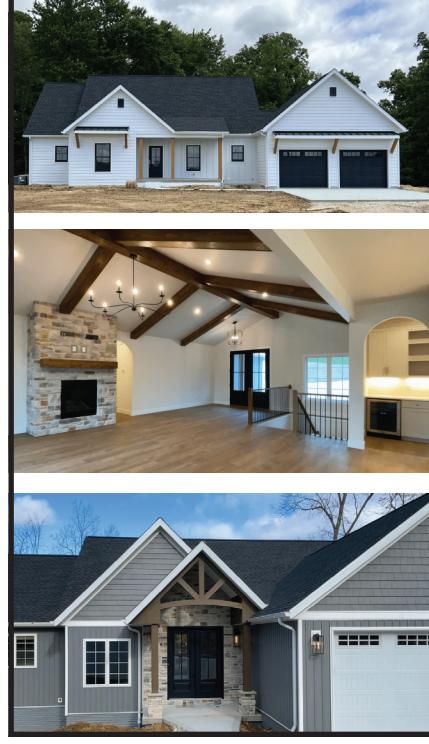
Veterans of Foreign Wars Dubois County Post 673 welcomes all Members, Auxiliary, and guests to experience the recently released Electronic Gaming. We are also introducing our updated hours, now open Monday through Friday,

2:00-8:00PM. We are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC every Thursday 2:00-8:00PM with several drawings at 6:00PM. Our Treasure Hunt Jackpot is currently \$1875.50, with Half-Pot and Weekly Membership (currently \$766) drawings also held.

Additionally, VFW Post 673

will be OPEN TO THE PUBLIC on January 16, 2:00-8:00PM, with live music featuring old school country and classic rock by Mama Tried 6:30-9:30PM.

There is no cover charge, so come early to enjoy the Electronic Gaming and delicious pizza before the show!



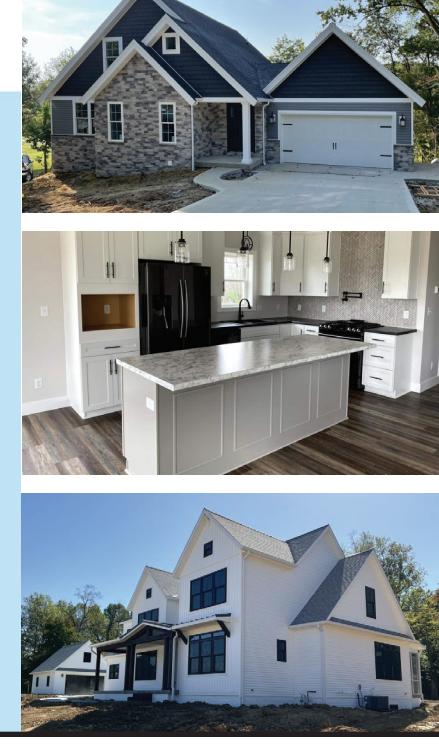
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# VICTORIOUS *Living* ...in a troubled world

## Looking beyond this life

By Brandon Bramlett  
Pastor - Bandana  
Baptist Church

You are standing on a vanishing strip of soil, but not for long. Surrounding you on both sides are two rapidly raging rivers, eating away the ground beneath your feet. Swimming to safety is not an option, and it is only a matter of time before one of the turbulent torrents sweeps you away forever. Strangely, the secret to survival is your sight—keeping your gaze locked on both rushing rapids. And

this is not a heart-stopping scene from a survival movie—this is how John Wesley (June 28, 1703—March 2, 1791) picturesquely described living a life that counts for eternity before your heart stops: “I desire to have both heaven and hell ever in my eye, while I stand on this isthmus of life, between two boundless oceans.”

The Scripture supports Wesley’s sobering statement. Life is as short as a three-to-five second breath (Ps. 144:4), and fades as quickly as a vapor (James

4:14). We are candles flickering in the wind, living on borrowed time, and only one heartbeat away from eternity. But why should heavenbound believers live with one eye fixed on heaven and the other eye fixed on heaven? Simply put, concentrating on heaven keeps our hearts lifted and contemplating hell keeps our feet moving.

To cheer our troubled hearts, we should think often of that glorious place being prepared for us by Christ (John 14:2-3), and to ignite

evangelistic zeal in our hearts, we should think often of that gruesome place prepared for the devil and his angels (Matt. 25:41), where lost souls are headed. While enduring bitter afflictions, we should ponder the bliss and wonder of spending a never-ending eternity of worshipping Christ (Rom. 8:18), but to strengthen our resolve to preach the gospel to every creature, we should pin our thoughts to the banishment and woe of a never-ceasing eternity of enduring the wrath of

God, laid up for our unbelieving friends and family members (2 Thess. 1:8-9). While we rejoice that our names are written in heaven (Luke 10:20), we must remember that the souls whose names are not found in the Lamb’s Book of Life will be cast into the lake of fire forever and ever (Rev. 20:12-15), and that should compel us to preach unto them, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” (John 1:29). While we yearn for the day when God will wipe away every tear from our eyes

(Rev. 21:4), we must grieve that there is a place of weeping and gnashing of teeth (Matt. 13:42), to which unsaved souls around us are bound, unless they hear and believe the gospel from our lips.

Keep both infinite oceans in view. Let heaven anchor your heart—let hell awaken your concern. Let heaven console you—let hell compel you to action. Think about the glory awaiting you, and be encouraged—think about the gloom awaiting the unsaved, and be evangelistic.

By Gary Miller

The bass fishing tournaments are getting ready to start with a vengeance. Once they begin, each weekend will offer another opportunity to fish for money.

All bass tournaments have pretty much the same rules; two fishermen; one boat; the five biggest fish by weight, win. Some men will literally come to blows in pursuing first prize. And first prize can be worth lots of money even in the smaller tournaments.

As I have said before these types of events touch both the competitive and outdoorsy side of men. It's fun enough to fish

but add in beating somebody in the process and winning cash to do it makes it an addictive potion.

Most of the time, each team will spend the first few hours on the water just trying to catch any size of fish. The immediate goal is to get five fish in the boat.

After (or if) that is accomplished, the goal changes. Now it's time to cull the smaller ones that are already in the live well for bigger replacements. Remember, it's the five heaviest fish.

Sometimes the technique changes just for the purpose of perhaps catching less fish but bigger ones. Again, the lesser ones get tossed back in when



## Greater Value than what we already have

a better quality one is caught. And there are occasions when some good fish are thrown back because a great one is caught.

Our life is somewhat like these bass tournaments. We know

we only have room for so many things in our life as well.

Each one of these can be of little or great importance. Our life's pursuit and God's desire for us is to constantly add

something that has a greater value than what we already have.

What we must remember, however, is sometimes we must get rid of something that is of great value to add something else that is priceless.

This decision always comes with a mixed sense of both loss and excitement. As we mature, we understand it just has to be that way. It's just like that exercise shirt that you once wore that said, “No Pain; No Gain.”

This is so true.

But never forget, what you give up now will not seem so great a sacrifice when you get to the weigh-in.

These types of sacrifices will always

put you in the real money.

We will talk about all this on Tuesday morning. Get the Zoom link at [outdoortruths.org](http://outdoortruths.org)

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He has also written five books which include compilations of his articles and a father/son devotional.

He also speaks at wild-game dinners and men's events

for churches and associations. Stay updated on *Outdoor Truths* each week by subscribing at [outdoortruths.org](http://outdoortruths.org)

## Do we have faith in God or the world?

By Dr. Billy Holland

Whatever we are concerned about today, faith and discernment are key components of our prayers. Without spiritual sensitivity, we do not understand God's plans, which is why seeking Him empowers and activates our communication with Him. We believe in miracles because we know that God listens and is the only one who has the authority to restore and provide for us. If someone is having a health crisis, the Bible declares that He is the Great Physician and our healer. This is an exciting truth until doubt and fear sneak through the back door, and Satan repeats the same strategy to deceive as he did with Adam and Eve in the garden. His favorite temptation is to sow seeds of uncertainty and fear

in our minds, causing us to question whether faith is real or just an illusion. In our times of trouble, we are bombarded with opinions, but we must become unmovable in knowing that God's promises cannot fail.

Josh Christmas once said, “I do not believe what I see, but I see what I believe.” This means that followers of God are not to place their trust in speculations or how things appear to our natural senses. Since we are filled and guided by God's Spirit, we place our spiritual confidence in Him alone.

Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen, which means the answers are ready to be manifested, but conditional on our knowing and believing with our hearts. For example, when a doctor says there is no hope,

we must realize that a human diagnosis is not more powerful than God's final word. Doctors practice medicine, but God is the healer. Our daughter and our daughter-in-law were both told by the experts that they would never have a child. This was not true as the Lord had other plans. Today, our daughter-in-law has three amazing children, and our daughter has a beautiful baby girl. My wife and I prayed about this for years and believe that nothing is impossible with God, Luke 1:37.

When Lazarus was dead for four days,

Jesus told the people to remove him from his tomb and unwrap his grave garments. His body was starting to smell, and according to natural thinking, this was disrespectful and even insane. However,

they did not understand

the power of God. Christ commanded Lazarus to live again, and he did! Ezekiel describes a valley of dry bones, and God asks the prophet if he believes the bones could live. He told Ezekiel to speak to the bones in faith, and the flesh came back upon them, and they were restored to life. The reason these stories are recorded is to teach us the importance of spiritual discernment when it comes to hearing God's voice and knowing His will. Christians are to live with an expectation of the supernatural and to walk in the constant awareness of God's presence as they trust and obey His instructions. My latest book about healing and miracles contains recent accounts of God miraculously intervening, as Hebrews 13:8 promises that Jesus never changes.

Many people build their worldviews on what they have been told instead of researching for themselves. Beware of listening and seeking the world's opinions more than learning to know God as true truth. Remember, what we believe becomes our reality. If we absorb what an unbelieving culture tells us, we are vulnerable to being brainwashed and conformed to negativity and doubt. Who do you suppose decides what is truth and what is censored as disinformation in our society? Satan is the father of all lies and never stops influencing chaos and confusion.

Our decision to seek God and know what He is saying, versus accepting the report of natural opinions, is the difference between thinking clearly and falling into a delusion. Every moment

we are faced with the choice to absorb the light and life of God, or the deception and hopelessness of a blind and fallen world. You see, faith is not limited to only being associated with positive thinking; it can also be the driving force behind negative attitudes. If we are convinced to accept the worst, we are joining forces with dark energy that will make the problem worse. Unbelief is enmity toward God, Hebrews 3:12-13, Ephesians 4:18. We are not be conformed to the persuasions of carnality, but to be transformed by the renewing of our mind in Christ, which means we know that God is who He says He is.

Dr. Holland is an ordained minister, chaplain, and author. Read more about the Christian life at [billyhollandministries.com](http://billyhollandministries.com)

## Rep. Bartels authors legislation to streamline dozens of Indiana boards and commissions

STATEHOUSE – Recent legislation authored by State Rep. Stephen Bartels (R-Eckerty) aims to reform dozens of state boards and commissions.

House Bill 1003 would eliminate, sunset or restructure dozens of redundant or inactive boards and commissions, aiming to streamline government and improve efficiency across multiple policy areas. In a press

conference last week, Bartels joined House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) to announce that HB 1003 is part of the House Republican caucus' 2026 legislative priorities to reduce government bureaucracy.

Bartels is a member of the General Assembly's Government Reform Taskforce which met last fall to discuss the approximately 250 boards and commissions

that currently exist in Indiana. Bartels said that HB 1003 is a result of those discussions, which found examples of state boards and commissions that were doing the same work or no longer active at all.

“The various boards and commissions in our state do important work, however, some of them serve similar purposes and have similar goals. Under this bill, many of

these would be combined, reformed or eliminated to better serve Hoosiers,” Bartels said. “This is about streamlining efforts and reducing government bureaucracy. We did this using a thoughtful and responsible approach while working closely with stakeholders every step of the way.”

HB 1003 would also consolidate various cultural-focused commissions under

one Indiana Cultural Commission (ICC), centralizing resources for communities across Indiana. Bartels emphasized that this proposed change is not about taking anything away but keeping the essential functions of the boards and commissions while retooling them to operate more effectively.

Bartels said that he worked alongside members of the

Government Reform Task Force, the Indiana Civil Rights Commission and members of boards and committees themselves to identify areas for potential reforms.

HB 1003 has been referred to the House Government and Regulatory Reform Committee for consideration. To read more about this bill and follow session, visit [iga.in.gov](http://iga.in.gov).





*Sandra "Sandy" K Staats*

JASPER — Sandra K. Staats, age 67, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 15, 2026, at St. Charles Health Campus in Jasper, Indiana. Private family services will be held at a later date.

*Eddie Joe Kapp*

JASPER — Eddie Joe Kapp, age 89, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away peacefully at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at Serenity Springs in Jasper, Indiana. A Mass of Christian Burial for Eddie Joe Kapp was held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, with burial to follow at a later date.

*Sharon A. Shreve*

Sharon A. Shreve, 83, passed away on January 13, 2026, at her home. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM CST on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at Huber Funeral Home, Tell City Chapel, with burial in Greenwood Cemetery. Pastor Joe Noble will officiate. Visitation was held from 3:00 until 7:00 PM on Friday and from 9:00 AM until service time on Saturday. There was a VFW Post #2939 Auxiliary memorial service at 6:45 PM on Friday evening.

*Jim L. Story*

Jim L. Story, 68, passed away on January 12, 2026. There will be no services as his family is accommodating his wishes. Huber Funeral Home is assisting them.

*Cora Sue Sams*

Cora Sue Sams, age 84, of Santa Claus, passed away at 9:36 a.m., Sunday, January 18, 2026, at Willowdale Village in Dale. Services will be held at a later date.

*Jacky Orr*

SANTA CLAUS — Jacky Orr, age 91, of Santa Claus, passed away at 5:30 p.m., Monday, January 12, 2026, at Willowdale Village in Dale. Funeral services will be held at a later date.

## Philicity Collignon named to Dean's List at Miami University

OXFORD, OH -- Philicity Collignon of Huntingburg, was named to the Dean's list at Miami University for the 2025 fall semester. Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate students within their division for the 2025 spring semester have been named to the Dean's list recognizing academic performance.

Congratulations to Collignon from Ferdinand, IN for this academic achievement.

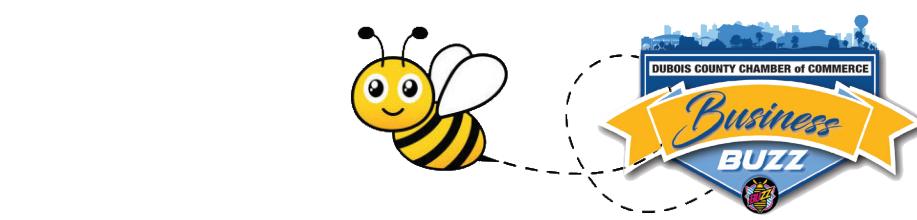
Nationally recognized as one of the most outstanding undergraduate institutions, Miami University is a public university located in Oxford, Ohio. With a student body of over 22,600 undergraduates and 2,200 graduate students, Miami effectively combines a wide range of strong academic programs with faculty who

love to teach and the personal attention ordinarily found only at much smaller institutions.

Established in 1809, Miami University is consistently ranked among the top 50 national public universities by the U.S. News & World Report for providing students with an Ivy League-quality education at a public school price. Located in quintessential college town

Oxford, Ohio—with regional campuses in Hamilton and Middletown, a learning center in West Chester, and a European study center in Luxembourg-Miami serves more than 22,600 undergraduates across more than 100 areas of study, and more than 2,200 graduate students through 78 master's and doctoral degree programs.

For more information, visit MiamiOH.edu.



## Dubois County Chamber of Commerce launches new website

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Dubois County, IN — The Dubois County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the launch of its newly redesigned website, created in partnership with Indigo Webservices. The updated site features a clean, modern design and improved navigation to better serve Chamber members, local businesses, and the community.

The new website makes it easier than ever to

access Chamber information, explore available resources, and stay connected with what's happening in the Dubois County business community. A key upgrade is the enhanced online member directory, now powered by Membee, which offers expanded functionality and greater visibility for Chamber members.

Through the new directory, Chamber members can fully customize their business listings at any time. Members have control to add, update, and adjust their information whenever needed, ensuring listings

remain accurate, current, and relevant. Businesses can upload logos, update descriptions, and utilize built-in marketing capabilities that connect directly with the Chamber and its members. This added benefit eliminates outdated information and provides members with a powerful, easy-to-use marketing tool.

Community members and businesses are encouraged to visit the new website and explore its features and layout.

To view the new website, visit: [www.duboiscounty](http://www.duboiscounty)



chamber.com The Dubois County Chamber of Commerce looks forward to continuing to support and connect local businesses through improved tools and resources. Thank you to our members and partners for being a valued part of the Dubois County business community.

## Dubois County Art Guild holds Jan. meeting

The Dubois County Art Guild held their January 8th meeting at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center in Jasper. Vice President Kaylynn Rasche called the meeting to order at 6 pm and welcomed twenty-five members plus five guests. She reminded everyone to sign the attendance sheet for record-keeping purposes.

Minutes from the last meeting were emailed to members. If anyone failed to receive the minutes, please reach out to ensure proper communication.

Treasurer, Mary Reisz, presented the treasurer's report. The group discussed the importance of member dues and confirmed all members have paid.

Vice President Rasche shared the exciting update regarding a possible renewal of our loneliness/isolation grant. This opportunity is to showcase the Guild's commitment to facilitating community connections through art. The grant aims to address loneliness and isolation through community

engagement and art workshops specifically designed for adults. This demonstrates how art can be a powerful medium for social change. Members are encouraged to share ideas for workshops or artistic opportunities. We will reach out to local venues and potential collaborators (e.g. churches, community centers, nursing homes) etc.

The Guild also discussed the upcoming annual show which will be in April this year and last for two months. Members are allowed to exhibit one of their best quality works created within the last two years. A photo of the art work can be submitted to Emily at the Thyen-Clark between January 31st and February 28th for the postcard. All participating members will be required to complete a form which will be distributed at the February meeting.

Members were provided guidelines for artwork submission, emphasizing the importance of high-quality photographs.

When preparing photographs, it is crucial to take them in optimal lighting conditions, avoiding works behind glass due to reflections. Shooting on a cloudy day with a view from above the artwork is recommended for soft light.

Guild member, Joseph (Swampy) Schoenbacher, discussed potential future events for the guild at the Dubois County Museum. Some ideas were decorating a Christmas tree and hosting a larger art exhibit possibly in the fall. This collaboration with local institutions, such as the museum for displays or events, can significantly enhance the visibility and marketing of participating artists, enabling them to reach a wider audience.

Valerie Acker, guild member, presented the program for the evening — "Why Art Supplies Matter." She provided information about the quality of supplies available from specific companies such as Chartpak, Etchr

Lab and Grumbacher. Chartpak sent free paper samples in a booklet form consisting of 18 sheets of various papers. Valerie passed out the booklet to all members giving them the opportunity to experiment with different paper weights and textures.

She also distributed free Japanese watercolor paints from Grumbacher. Members were given reference sheets from Chartpak with a 20% discount using the coupon code AckerClass20. This can be used for supplies and online art classes. Offer valid until February 8, 2026. Etchr Lab is also giving a discount to guild members with a code of ArtGuild15%.

Valerie shared her Perpetual Art Journal, encouraged members to follow Instagram artists and use social media. This may open opportunities to participate in free classes or potential sponsorships for "freebies" from followers or brands.

The meeting concluded at 7:30 p.m.

## 2026 Health & Lifestyle Expo coming Feb. 20th

The 21ST annual HOME & LIFESTYLE EXPO, sponsored by the Jasper Chamber of Commerce, will feature over 40 exhibitors introducing their products and services to residents of Jasper, Dubois County and surrounding areas. The JASPER CHAMBER EXPO is designed to showcase your company -- letting everyone

realize the businesses & services that exist in their own backyard!

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026**  
(Newly revised hours & format – one day only) 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

While there is a charge to have a booth – there is no charge to those attending and no charge for parking. As in the past, there will be a \$200 Grand

Prize drawing and many of the vendors offer prizes, give-aways, demonstrations, and handouts at their own booth.

**Location:** St. Joseph Church Parish Center in Jasper

(Booth size is 10' X 10' – Transform this space to highlight your business)

**Costs:** \$175.00/booth – early bird special for Jasper Chamber members

(by 2-12-2026)  
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\$300.00/booth – price for non-chamber businesses

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# Memorial Medical Center Foundation offers scholarship opportunities

The Memorial Medical Center Foundation is offering over \$75,000 in scholarship opportunities for current high school seniors or students currently enrolled in post-secondary education. A Scholarship Application must be completed by applicants and submitted online by March 15, 2026. For additional scholarship information or to apply, visit [www.deaconessmemorial.com/giving](http://www.deaconessmemorial.com/giving) and click on "Scholarship Opportunities."

For more information regarding these scholarship opportunities, please contact Deidra Church: Deidra.Church@Deaconess.com or call 812-996-8426.

## Bethany Volz Medical Staff Scholarship

This scholarship, created in memory of Bethany Volz, daughter of former Memorial Hospital Medical Staff member Kim Alan Volz, M.D., will be awarded to a high school senior who lives in the Deaconess Memorial Medical Center (DMMC) service area who plans to enter a two- to four-year educational program in a health-related field. (2026 Amount: \$1,500)

## Deaconess Memorial Medical Center Med Staff Scholarship

Two scholarships will be awarded to current high school seniors who are the dependent of an active medical staff member or any current benefit-eligible DMMC employee. The

student must have a GPA equal to 3.0 or higher and seeking a higher education in any field for an associate's degree, bachelor's degree, or trade school. (2026 Amount: 1,000 each scholarship)

## The Doris A. Ackerman and Family Nursing Scholarship\*

Graduates of public high schools located in Dubois County, Indiana, who are enrolled in post-high school programs leading to a registered nurse designation.

Financial need is a primary consideration. Students with plans to return to Dubois County will receive priority consideration.

Previous Ackerman Scholarship recipients may be considered and will receive equal consideration as graduating seniors. (2026 Amount: \$1,200)

## The Kathleen M. Tempel Nursing Scholarship

Two scholarships will be awarded to residents of the DMMC service area or Southern Indiana area who are enrolled, or plan to enroll, in post-high school programs leading to an ASN or BSN registered nurse designation. The desired outcome is that the recipient returns to the Southern Indiana area to practice subsequent to graduation. Past recipients may apply annually if they wish. (2026 Amount: \$1,500 each scholarship)

## Lou Jerger Memorial Healthcare Scholarship

This scholarship is for current high school seniors or

currently enrolled post-secondary students who attended high school in DMMC's service area pursuing a degree in the health care field (M.D., pharmacist, anesthesia, radiology, laboratory technologist, nursing, etc.). Priority consideration will be given to those interested in the field of Anesthesia. The desired outcome is that the recipients return to the Dubois County area to practice subsequent to graduation. Past recipients may apply annually if they wish. (2026 Amount: \$2,000)

## The Mabel L. Kuebler Nursing Endowment\*

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Eight scholarships will be awarded to residents of the DMMC service area, one each specifically in Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Martin, Pike, Perry, Orange and Spencer counties. These are for students who attended high school in these

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The Mildred E. Schwinghammer Nursing Scholarship\*

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The Tonya Heim Nursing Scholarship is for current DMMC employees. It is intended to remove barriers to degree advancement by RN employees of DMMC and provide them with financial assistance to advance their degrees to BSNs, MSNs, DNP or Ph.Ds. in Nursing. (2026 Amount: \$1,500)

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## Local students named to SNHU 2025 Presidents' list

MANCHESTER, NH (01/06/2026)-- It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Fall 2025 President's List. The fall terms run from September to December.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved

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# Bailey family gifts \$50,000 to establish scholarship for UE Education and Health Sciences students

EVANSVILLE, IN — The University of Evansville (UE) is grateful to announce a \$50,000 gift from alumna Kristin Bailey '81, establishing the James '79 and Kristin '81 Bailey Endowed Scholarship to celebrate the enduring connection Kris and her late husband, Jim Bailey, shared with UE. The endowed fund will support undergraduate students in the College of Education and Health Sciences, helping them pursue meaningful careers in fields that reflect the Baileys' lifelong dedication to service.

For Kris, the scholarship is a heartfelt tribute to both her husband's life of service and the education that shaped their shared journey.

"UE has always

been near and dear to our hearts," she said. "It's where we met. We served on several committees together, including student government and Union Board. We got to know each other through those experiences, and many of the friendships we made then have lasted to this day."

A 1981 nursing graduate, Bailey served as a registered nurse in both teaching and community hospital settings, and in private practice. She credits UE's nursing program with preparing her for a lifetime of compassionate care.

"We were taught critical thinking skills and given a broad base of clinical understanding," she said. "Our instructors were fabulous, both

in the classroom and in clinical settings. Over the years, I've compared what I received at Evansville to other programs I've encountered, and I continue to hold UE among the very best."

She added, "There's such a need for advancement in education and health sciences. Our healthcare system is growing so quickly, and we need well-educated people to provide those services. I know that pursuing an education

requires tremendous dedication and sacrifice, and I hope this scholarship can help open doors and create opportunities for students who are working toward their dreams."

Jim Bailey, who earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from UE in 1979 and later an MBA from the University of Dallas, dedicated his life to serving others. He built a respected career as a funeral director in Portage, Indiana, and served his community through the Rotary Club, the Orak Shrine Center, and the Masonic Lodge.

"Jim served our community in so many ways," Kris shared. "He was very active in Rotary and the Shrine, and we both believed deeply



Kristin, class of '81 and James Bailey, Class of '79

in using our lives to serve others. I am confident he'd be thrilled to know that UE students will benefit from this scholarship."

Kris also reflected on the values instilled at UE that continue to guide her life. "Even back then, there was an underlying intention for service," she said. "We were taught that the world exists beyond our own little bubble and that we have a responsibility to make it better. That's always stayed with me."

Bailey hopes this scholarship will inspire other alumni to give back. "I just think if you can, you should," she said. "If you've been blessed by your education and your experiences at UE, then pass it along. Even a small amount can make a difference for a

student who needs a little help."

"This gift from the Baileys will make a remarkable difference in the College of Education and Health Sciences," said Dr. Andy Lampkins, dean of the College of Education and Health Sciences.

"Their generosity strengthens our program's ability to expand opportunities for students to learn, lead, and serve. Their gift will prepare future professionals who will carry forward the compassion and dedication that have defined the Baileys' lives."

Each graduate who benefits from this scholarship will carry their spirit of compassion, service, and courage into the world, continuing the example that Kris and Jim set at UE.

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