A Noble Life

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November 2026

Congrats to Our Annual Award Winners

President's Award	Champion Award	Partnership Award	Lifetime of Giving
	The Arc Indiana	SERVICE TO MANKIND · SERTOMA · SINCE 1912	BIG RED 1 LIQUORS
Mark Bruin	The Arc of Indiana	Broad Ripple Sertoma Club	Big Red Liquors

We are proud to announce the winners of Noble's 2026 **Annual Awards** presented by Citizens Energy Group, Corteva Agriscience and Gregory & Appel. The official **award announcement** was made as a full-page, back cover ad in the Oct. 23 issue of the Indianapolis Business Journal. Please join us in congratulating this year's honorees:

President's Award | Mark Bruin

The President's Award is our highest honor & one that long-time Board Member **Mark Bruin** certainly deserves. He serves as Vice Chair/Secretary to the Board, stewards one of our major sponsors & supports us as a donor.

Champion Award | The Arc of Indiana

The Champion Award honors those that advocate our shared values. For 70 years, **The Arc of Indiana** has championed the rights of people with disabilities and their families at all levels of government.

Partnership Award | Sertoma Club of Broad Ripple

The Partnership Award honors those that work with us to further our mission. In its 68 years, the **Sertoma Club of Broad Ripple** has raised millions for our community, the majority of which has been in support of our mission.

Lifetime of Giving Award | Big Red Liquors

The Lifetime of Giving Award recognizes individuals & organizations that strengthen Noble's capacity to serve our community. We present it to **Big Red Liquors** for their many years of generous sponsorship and support.

Employment Award



Culver's at State Hwy 135

Citizenship Award



Kala Woods

Noble Auxiliary Member of the Year



Lisa Juberg

Employment Award | Culver's at State Hwy 135

This year's Employment Award recognizes **Culver's** in Greenwood for its commitment to diversifying its workforce by incorporating the contributions of people with disabilities at its southside location.

Citizenship Award | Kala Woods

The Citizenship Award is presented to an individual we serve who has made significant strides toward achieving their dreams. We're proud to honor **Kala Woods** for being an incredible advocate for herself and others.

Auxiliary Member of the Year | Lisa Juberg

Each year, the **Noble Auxiliary** selects one of its own as Auxiliary Member of the Year. We're proud to join them in recognizing **Lisa Juberg** for the many hours she has devoted to ensuring the success of our annual Noble Evening in the Garden.

Marissa Manlove Distinguished Service



Matt Tarowsky

Harriet P. Irsay Distinguished Parent Award



Yolanda S. Roland-Powell

Volunteer of the Year



Ability Experience

Marissa Manlove Distinguished Service | Matt Tarowsky

Each year, we honor one of our staff members with the Marissa Manlove Distinguished Service Award. **Matt Tarowsky** was named our 2026 honoree for his years of service and the ways he goes above & beyond for our mission.

Harriet P. Irsay Distinguished Parent Award | Yolanda S. Roland-Powell

Harriet P. Irsay Distinguished Parent Award recognizes parents who set an example for us all. **Yolanda Roland-Powell** models these values in how she has raised her daughter Ya'Wana.

Volunteer Excellence Award | Ability Experience

This year's Volunteer of the Year is the **Ability Experience**, which organizes cyclists to bike across the country each summer to raise funds and awareness for disability service organizations. We also enjoy their annual Friendship Visit.

Disability Employment Awareness Month



On Sept. 22, **Katie Cortelyou** hung up her scrubs for the final time. After 25 years of service, she retired from her job as a Unit Assistant at **Community Hospital North**. Against a backdrop of October being **National Disability Employment Awareness Month**, it's especially appropriate to recognize her accomplishments right now.

With the help of **Noble's Community Employment** services, Katie was hired in 2001 to assist the nurses. She was soon delivering towels and ice water to patients in the post-surgical unit, where she became known for her bedside manner. As she would enter each room, she would chat with each patient to

help brighten their day. And when they saw her facing challenges of her own, they would inevitably respond.

In fact, her mom Susan recalls one morning when Katie woke up & said she couldn't wait to go to work. When her mom asked why, Katie simply responded, "This is what I was born to do."

That attitude underscores the theme of "Celebrating Value and Talent" that was chosen for this year's **National Disability Employment Awareness Month** (NDEAM). Like Katie, tens of thousands of people with disabilities are making a positive impact on the American workforce.

NDEAM began in 1945 as a weeklong tribute to the contributions of people with physical disabilities. It evolved into a month-long celebration recognizing the impact of workers with all types of disabilities, including developmental and intellectual disabilities as well as mental health conditions.

Noble is proud to celebrate NDEAM with the people we serve and the businesses that employ them. In the past fiscal year, Noble has worked with approximately 400 adults in various stages of their employment journey. Click here for more information on **Noble's Employment Services**.

Congrats on Your Retirement, Shannon



Time goes so fast, **Shannon** muses as she ponders her upcoming retirement. "It's been a fun 20 years!" she says of her job as a hospitality associate at **Ice Miller**. Three days a week, she monitors the kitchen areas spanning the firm's

seven floors of the One America building downtown. Coffee supplies don't dwindle under her watch.

Shannon landed the job through Noble's **Employment Services**, and says she's going to miss seeing her Employment Consultant Dan Mahoney. He agrees, saying that her positive energy is one of the best parts of his week.

Now, Shannon is looking forward to traveling to her brother's wedding in the Carolinas and then settling into a life of volunteering at her local library and spending time with her husband Mark.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest & Fall Fun!



It's looking a lot like fall at Noble, thanks to the **Optimist Club of Indianapolis**. Each year, they host a "Pumpkin Caper," donating pumpkins to a half dozen local not-for-profits. This year, they delivered 60 pumpkins to our east side location.

The result was a pumpkin decorating contest that was one of the highlights of Friday's fall festival and Halloween costume party. What a festive way to celebrate the bounty of the season!

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