



Hamilton County Reporter

Dillinger disagrees with...

Alternatives' site

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

The Hamilton County Reporter today learned of proposed plans for a facility in Noblesville to house battered women and their children on a temporary basis.

The facility would be built on land owned by Hamilton County, a plan strong disapproved of by one Hamilton County Commissioner.

The organization planning to build the facility is Alternatives, which currently is based in Anderson. At present when police

or the courts rescue women from an abusive home, they are housed at the Madison County Alternatives facility because housing of this type is not available in Hamilton County. The Noblesville based facility would be an expansion of the Madison County housing.

Alternatives wants to build on Hamilton County land behind the Sheriff Department on the east side of Noblesville. Hamilton County would lease or sell that land to Alternatives. One Hamilton County

Commissioner, Steve Dillinger, opposes that plan.

Reached earlier today while vacationing in Mexico, Dillinger told The Reporter, "I am not against helping Alternatives, but I do not believe the space for it is on our Correction site."

"One, this land was bought and laid out for future expansion of the jail. Two, it doesn't make much since to me to put the victims right next door to the perpetrators, especially with kids involved," Dillinger said.

Dillinger said he disagrees with County Commissioner Christine Altman, who Dillinger said is "pushing hard" to sell or lease the land.

"To my knowledge there hasn't been a vote to approve this move, and I'm not sure if the Common Council has to vote for it as well," Dillinger told The Reporter. "If so, I question they could get four votes (to pass the plan). In talking with the Sheriff (Mark Bowen), I don't believe he thinks this is a good idea."

County mourns loss of Sheriff's Senior Chaplain

Hamilton County Sheriff Mark Bowen today announced the loss of the agency's senior chaplain, Tom Burton. Chaplain Burton had been fighting cancer and succumbed on the evening of March 1 after a long, hard battle. He passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family and friends.

Chaplain Burton was commissioned by former Sheriff Dan Stevens in 1992 to organize, recruit, train and implement a Chaplaincy Department for the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. He served as a volunteer chaplain until becoming the fulltime chaplain in 2000. As the Senior Chaplain, Burton was responsible for the spiritual wellbeing of the employees and inmates of the agency. He also trained the volunteers that



Burton

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Photo by Brian Reddick/RDK PhotoGraphic

On Friday night, Hamilton Heights hosted Peru in their final regular season boys basketball game. During halftime, some very talented athletes got to take to the court.

The Hamilton County Special Olympics Basketball team played a scrimmage game, showing the Hamilton Heights fans what great ball players they have become with perseverance and practice. These fantastic athletes had a great time with their game and even stopped for a group photo for The Reporter with Hamilton Heights' mascot "Victor E."

To learn more about the Hamilton County Special Olympics visit www.specialolympicshamiltoncounty.org.

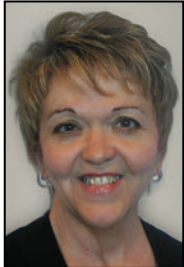
A walk to remember

By JANET LEONARD

It was just about twenty steps... to the front of the church...to a new life. A beautiful life. I stood at the back of the church with my son, Brandon, on my left and my son-in-law, Drew, on my right. Canon D was the music that the organist was playing. Over 300 of our closest family and friends were gathered in the pews. I looked up and whispered a prayer of Thanksgiving.

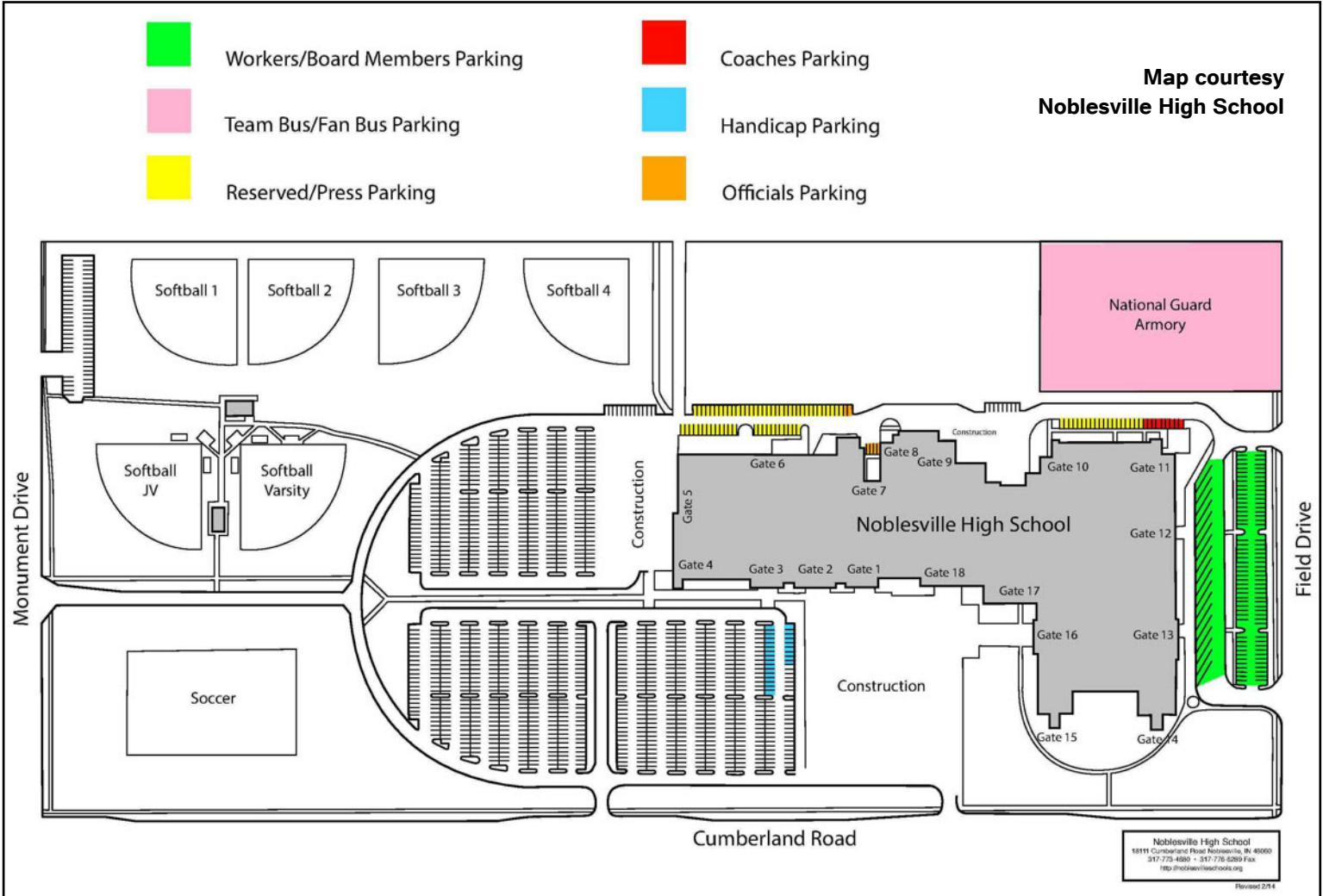
The day that I had waited for, and prayed for, had arrived. Psalms 37:4 says "Take delight in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart." For 14 years God knew the desire of my heart. And I never gave up hope.

When I spoke to women's groups I would often tell of



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Going to the Noblesville sectional? Here's where to park



If you plan to cheer on your favorite team at the Noblesville basketball sectional this week, keep in mind the parking situation is different because of construction at Noblesville High School. This detailed map will tell you where you can park, with special parking places shown as indicated by the colors above the map.

Obituary

Lorna D. Harbaugh

December 20, 1919 - February 28, 2014

Lorna D. Harbaugh, age 94, of Indianapolis, passed away on Friday morning, February 28, 2014, at Marquette Health Center, surrounded by her loving family. Born December 20, 1919 in Sheridan, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late C. Roe and Edith (Clements) Hawkins. Lorna was a 1938 graduate of Sheridan High School. She worked for General Electric/Wellman, in Shelbyville, in the production department for several years. Lorna was a loving mother and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with her family. She attended St. Paul Methodist Church in Rushville for many years. On April 23, 1938 Lorna married Everett Arles Harbaugh, he preceded her in death on December 10, 1988. She is survived by 2 sons, Ronald D. (Shirley) Harbaugh of Cincinnati, OH and Terry G. (Marilyn) Harbaugh of Port Angeles, Washington; 1 daughter, Janis (Jerry) Gershman of Carmel ; 10 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and 8 great-great grandchildren and 2 sisters, Rosalie Ogle of Sheridan and Arlayne Knight of Crawfordsville.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by 1 sister: Rowena Dice; 4 brothers: Keifer Hawkins, Malcolm Hawkins, Ishmael Hawkins and Waldemar Clements; 1 grandson: Thomas Harbaugh; 2 great grandchildren: Diana King and Adam Dean and 2 great-great grandchildren: Aaron King and Akira King.

Lorna’s family would like to extend their gratitude to the staff of the Marquette Health Center and to St. Vincent Hospice for their professionalism and for all of their loving care and concern.

Services will be held at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, at 2:00 PM, with visitation from 1:00 PM until the time of service. Burial will follow at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. Reverend V.J. Stover will be officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the American Heart Association.



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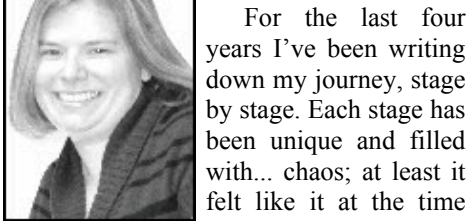
Hamilton Heights fans were out in full force Friday night, celebrating the Huskies’ win over Peru. The victory gave Heights a perfect 7-0 finish in the Mid-Indiana Conference.

Not the Perfect Mom

Jesus is there, stage by stage

By TAMAR KNOCHEL

“Moses wrote down their starting places, stage by stage,” Numbers 33:2



For the last four years I’ve been writing down my journey, stage by stage. Each stage has been unique and filled with... chaos; at least it felt like it at the time anyway. But to look back on each of them, it wasn’t chaos at all. It was measured steps towards the place where I find my feet today. Sometimes the hardest thing to do is start something new. It’s scary and unfamiliar, yet holds the very potential to be a fantastic adventure! IF we let it become that to us.

Life is full of chaos & uncertainties. It’s filled with pain and heartaches that can’t even be put into words. There are some lessons that just can’t be taught in outlines and sermons, they have to be felt, experienced, LIVED!

Jesus came so that we might have life, and have it to the FULLEST. But what is that? What does it mean? To me, right now, it means that Jesus has given me the opportunity to enjoy each moment of this life, even the ones that hurt. In the pain, there is a joy. It’s hard to describe except to say that it’s there.

There’s something about being sad that feels good. It feels good to have emotions and to let them out. It feels good to cry until you can’t possibly cry anymore. It even feels good to be mad, sometimes, but not all the time, that’s just a poison. No matter what happens, life is meant to be lived, not just survived. That involves risks, and faith. It requires patience and trust. It takes time and love. Life is HARD, but it’s GOOD and shouldn’t be wasted. Life involves loving people without abandon. Which means that there will be times when those people

you’ve been tender with will turn sharp and cut you to the quick. But that doesn’t mean that the relationship is irreparable.

Even though all relationships have a shelf-life, that doesn’t mean that both parties have to leave the relationship wounded. There is always forgiveness. There is always hope, because there is always Jesus, our eternal King and High Priest.

No matter what wounds you have suffered from the hand of your Beloved, Jesus can heal them. You need only to ask Him, He is MORE than willing to do it. Although it may take more time than you’d like. Wounds heal in layers. Jesus can take you on the adventure of a lifetime where you find yourself over the rainbow in a world you’ve never seen before with more color and life than you’ve ever imagined. No, life with Jesus isn’t *all* flowers and lollipops. There are some really hard knocks that come with the territory. But those knocks are never suffered alone. Not ever. And that’s the beauty of Jesus. He’s not a religion, or a denomination. He’s a person; a real live person who simply wants to be your friend. He wants to hold your hand through the tough times and shout for joy with you in the fun times. He wants to sing with you when you’re happy and cry with you when you’re sad.

A lot of times Christians make life with Jesus a lot more technical and difficult than it really is. Christianity isn’t a religion, it’s a friendship. It’s as simple as that.

“No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you. You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you.” John 15:15-16

CHAPLAIN

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entered the jail, started Bible Studies, and conducted worship services. For the community he was called upon to assist with death notifications and Critical Incident Briefings.

In addition to his work at the Sheriff’s Office, Chaplain Burton developed and organized a chaplains program for the Community Corrections work release program. He also started and pastored Christ Community Church of Hamilton County. With the assistance of former Sheriff Doug Carter, Chaplain Burton was instrumental in the development and organization of a Spiritual

Response Team for Hamilton County. He served on the National American Red Cross Spiritual Response Team and the International Conference of Police Chaplains Disaster Response Team, and the Indiana Crisis Area Response Team. Chaplain Burton served on the Hamilton County Mental Health Board, the Noblesville Mayor’s Advisory Board, and the Riverview Hospital Chaplain’s Advisory Board as well as being an integral part of the Sheriff’s Office Junior Law Enforcement Academy.

Funeral arrangements for Chaplain Burton are pending.

WALK

From Page 1

my "white picket fence" dream. To be loved. To be cherished.

The day began with a sense of calm and yet sweet anticipation. As I drove into the parking lot at the church I looked up at the white steeple with the thought "I am living a Hallmark movie." As the families arrived I saw how easily my family and Chuck’s family had blended together. It was just a few hours before that they had met yet it was as if their hearts had known each other for a long time.

Three year old Aiden walked in front of me carrying a sign that said "GrandChuck, here comes your bride." As I started down the aisle I saw Chuck waiting for me with the biggest smile and eyes that were beginning to leak. I was not the least bit nervous. This day had been planned by God, long before we met. It was a love story written with the pen of God. It doesn’t get any better than that.

Our kids and kids-in-laws were standing at the altar with us. Pastor Frank Beard spoke about if you want to get some-

where quickly, walk alone, if you want to go far, then find someone to go with you. Rev. Paul Kern prompted us as we repeated our vows. "For better for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, forsaking all others, pledging to love each other...til death do us part. Words spoken from our hearts, tipping over our Comfort and Joy buckets. Tears trickled.

Then the grandmunchkins joined us at the altar. My dear friend, Pastor Corinne Gunter, prayed a beautiful prayer to unite the families. And then the music began. My daughter, Emily, and Chuck’s son, Jeff, began singing "Great is Thy Faithfulness," then with the entire family and then the congregation joining in. "All I have needed thy hand hath provided." God had been faithful. He kept his promises. We had been given the desires of our hearts.

We were then pronounced husband and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leonard.

A few days later Chuck said to me. "In the Spring I am getting you a gift". What’s that? A white picket fence.

SECTIONAL PREVIEW MONDAY

Be sure to read our special Monday edition for a preview on the boys basketball sectionals. You will get the best coverage, best photos and best insight for your favorite team, plus complete brackets for all five sectionals in which Hamilton County teams will participate.

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Watch for scams after a storm

By BRIAN BRAGG

As winter winds down and we draw closer to spring you will begin to hear the importance of being prepared for the springtime storms. As everyone knows we are at a greater risk for tornadoes and serious wind and hail storms in the spring and fall.

These storms can turn your home and your life upside down. If your home is damaged in a storm you are eager to get your home repaired as quickly as possible so that you can get your life back to normal. It's during this time of eagerness that you can become victim to another "natural disaster," a scam artist.

Most contractors are reputable business people. But each year, there are a few dishonest ones who chase storms from state to state. They will try to convince you that you have hail or other damage and that you need a new roof when in fact you really don't. They'll ask to be hired for the work, explaining that your insurance company will pay for the repairs.

Most homeowner's insurance policies will cover damage caused by hail and windstorms, but they will not cover the cost to replace a roof or siding when no damage has occurred. It is always recommended that you obtain a second and even a third opinion before starting any contract work.

What can you do?

If you're beginning to repair or rebuild after a storm, or even if you are just planning a home improvement project, keep these tips, recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, in mind for choosing contractors wisely:

- Get more than one estimate.
- Don't be pushed into signing a contract right away.
- Get everything in writing. Cost, work to be done, time schedules, guarantees, payment schedules and other expectations should be detailed.
- Check references before deciding which contractor to choose.
- Never sign a contract with blanks.
- Don't pay a contractor in full until the work is complete.

Check with county or city licensing authorities to see if the contractor is licensed in your jurisdiction, as well as checking for complaints with their regional Better Business Bureau.

Contact your local independent agent.

If you need suggestions about who to hire or how to repair your home after a storm, your local independent agent can help you contact an insurance claims adjuster. Most insurance carriers have professional claims adjusters who are trained to assess your property, identify storm damage and prepare an estimate for proper repair. They can also provide recommendations for reliable, licensed contractors in your area—although the final choice of contractor is always yours.

No peeking!

The crossword and Sudoku puzzles appear on Page 9.



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IHSAA boys swimming state finals



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Hamilton Southeastern senior Cody Coldren receives congratulations after winning the state diving championship Saturday at the IHSAA Natatorium. Coldren finished second at state last year, and won this year with a score of 536.20 points.

Last year's runner-up, this year HSE's...

Cody makes it to the top

By **RICHIE HALL**
Reporter Sports Editor

Last year at the state meet, Hamilton Southeastern diver Cody Coldren was the runner-up. He was a junior in the middle of a group of seniors that otherwise monopolized the top eight.

This year at the IHSAA state swimming and diving finals, Coldren was one of the seniors. He's also the state champion. Coldren gave the Royals their third diving title on Saturday at the IUPUI Natatorium, winning the first-place medal with a score of 536.20 points.

"I'm truly overwhelmed," said Coldren. He said it took him "a good couple minutes" to be able to express his thoughts. Once he did, it was pure sportsmanship and class.

"There's so many great divers here, such a great group of athletes in this meet, and so much respect to everyone and congratulations to everyone who competed today, because it was truly a great event and they put on a great show for everybody," said Coldren.

Coldren was involved in a back-and-forth battle with Homestead sophomore Kevin Frebel all day. Frebel led 250.10-247.90 after the first round of diving, with Coldren pulling in front 377.95-370.70 after the semi-finals. Three solid dives in the finals wrapped up the title for Coldren.

"The difference in the diving this year versus last year was really just cleaning up a few things," said Coldren. "The dives were pretty similar and any given day, some of

those big dives can go horribly wrong, or they could go horribly right. It really depends on the day sometimes. It's great for all of them to just kind of happen today."

Frebel finished in second with 525.45 points. The competition between the two is intense, but it's also a friendly one. While they were receiving their medals, Frebel and Coldren took an impromptu "selfie" with a cell phone camera on the award podiums.

"Kevin Frebel, before our last three dives, every one of them, we had to give each other at least two high fives before both of us went," said Coldren.

Of course, the HSE swimmers and crowd were there cheering on Coldren as well. Coldren's championship finish earned the Royals 20 team points, helping them out to a seventh-place finish as a team at the state meet.

"The fan base is incredible," said Coldren. "HSE is so good with supporting all of our athletes, no matter what meet it is, no matter what event they participate in, whether it be a swimmer or a diver or JV meet, or anything like that.

Coldren also won the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet and the sectional, and placed second to Frebel at the regional. He has committed to dive for Indiana University next fall.

"I am absolutely thrilled," said HSE diving coach Debbie Clevenger. "I am so proud of everything that he's accomplished this year, and just a great, great, great athlete."

Coldren joins two other all-time Southeastern greats as a diving state champion. Phil Jones was the state winner in 2001, and Kari Retrum won for the Lady Royals in 2002.

FISHERS GETS TWO MEDALS

Fishers also had a great diving day on Saturday, as the Tigers came away with two medals.

Senior Stirling Fordham finished fourth in the meet with a score of 459.60 points, while junior Austin Smith took eighth by scoring 430.65 points. The two combined to score 26 team points for the Tigers, giving them 23rd place at the state meet.

Now Fishers coach Kristy Ford had gotten two girls on the state medal stand before, but hadn't yet done the same with two boys divers. More history for the Tigers, who have accomplished so much in the pool in just eight years as a program.

"How exciting is that?" said Ford. "I just never thought this day was going to come, and to see it come to fruition and for the guys that were here today - two of the best people I know - to do what they did today was just phenomenal."

Fordham came from humble beginnings five years ago to get to such a high finish at state, which makes what he accomplished all the more impressive.

"I never would've expected in a million years that I'd get this honor of being fourth place at state," said Fordham. "It's been a long journey, but it's been great."



Photo by Bret Richardson/Correspondent

The Hamilton Southeastern fans were loud, proud and made for a sea of blue at Saturday's boys state swim meet.

‘Hounds place 5th, Royals 7th after...

Solid swims all around

By **RICHIE HALL**
Reporter Sports Editor

Every year, it seems the state swim meets get faster and faster.

Two weeks ago, the girls meet saw a seemingly impossible mark get broken when two girls swam the breaststroke in under a minute. The boys competition saw Indiana history last night when Chesterton's 400 free relay team broke the three-minute barrier.

In all, it was a historic meet. Carmel and Hamilton Southeastern stayed in the thick of things, with the Greyhounds placing fifth and the Royals finishing seventh at the IUPUI Natatorium on Saturday.

Carmel had 13 swims at state, with 10 of them in the consolation heat. But those consol swims helped the 'Hounds to accumulate points at a steady rate as the meet went on.

Then, the Greyhounds had both their freestyle relays in the championship heat. Since relays count for double team points, Carmel's fifth place 200 free relay finish (accomplished by sophomore Troy Li and seniors Benjamin Burdick, Alex Stacy and Mitch Cooper) and sixth-place 400 free relay finish (Burdick, senior Spencer Satz, junior Reilly Garman and Cooper did the honors there) helped the Greyhounds remain in the top five.

"It was quite a battle today with fourth and fifth," said Carmel coach Chris Plumb. Columbus North finished ahead of Carmel for fourth place, scoring 133 points to the Greyhounds' 124. But Plumb was happy with the fifth-place result.

"We were pre-season No. 9," said Plumb. "We came in, we swam well, we got a lot of guys here."

Carmel's 13 swims were second only to Chesterton's 14. The Trojans defended their state championship by scoring 240 points, with Avon placing second with 198 points. Penn got third place with 187 points. Since 2008, the state trophy has gone to either Chesterton or Carmel.

In addition to his relay medal, Burdick also finished fifth in the 200 freestyle.

"I was very pleased with my day today," said Burdick. "Coming from last year, didn't even make it to state in the 200 free. So from not making it to state to fifth, very, very pleased."

Garman was a consolation-heat winner, pacing that heat in the 500 freestyle. Since the consolations score positions 9-16, Garman received ninth place officially, but that meant he got nine team points for the Greyhounds.

Garman also swam in the 200 free consolations, placing 10th, with Satz finishing 15th in that event. Cooper was 10th in the 100 free consols, with Burdick right behind him in 11th place. Satz also placed 13th in the 500 free consolations.

Senior Nate Slack was 12th in the backstroke, with Li finishing 16th. Li also finished 14th in the individual medley. Carmel's medley relay team, which consisted of Slack, junior Derek Stauder, senior Matthew Vinyard and Li, opened the meet for the 'Hounds with an 11th place finish.

Southeastern, which won the state meet in 2007, had eight swims compete on Saturday, with four in the championship heat. Junior Joseph Young earned a couple medals,

placing fourth in the backstroke and seventh in the individual medley, while senior Luke Johnson finished sixth in the 200 free and seventh in the 100 free for two medals as well.

"I think I did all right overall," said Johnson. The senior was also pleased with how his team did as well.

"We did good, we had some guys really step up today," said Johnson.

"If you look at how far Luke Johnson has come in the last four years, it's pretty amazing," said HSE coach Andy Pedersen. "Joe had a good meet, he went best times. The thing about Joe is, he's never satisfied. I think the situation he's in right now, he's very hungry for more."

The Royals also got big points from diving winner, senior Cody Coldren (see Page 4 for that story).

"I feel especially good for Cody, because he told us last March he was going to do whatever it took to win the state championship in one-meter diving, and that's what he did," said HSE coach Andy Pedersen.

Southeastern also made its consolation swims count, with senior Noah Brenner winning that heat in the breaststroke, and the 400 free relay team of Young, junior Nick Pfanstiel, Brenner and Johnson pacing that consolation heat. Once again, those consolation heat wins - which give out 18 points for relays, in addition to the nine for individual events - helped cement the Royals in the top 10. Pfanstiel also placed 11th in the 500 free (4:36.14, a new HSE school record) and senior Jackson Russell took 13th place in the breaststroke.

State swim results

Top 10 team scores and all county: 1. Chesterton 240, 2. Avon 198, 3. Penn 187, 4. Columbus North 133, 5. Carmel 124, 6. Bloomington South 115, 7. Hamilton Southeastern 109, 8. Northridge 107, 9. Zionsville 105, 10. Fort Wayne Carroll 84, 21. Westfield 33, 23. Fishers 26, 35. Noblesville 11.

Individual results
Positions 1-8 swim in championship heat, positions 9-16 swim in consolation heat.

200 medley relay
Championship heat: 1. Chesterton 1:29.64, new state record
Consolation heat: 11. Carmel (Nate Slack, Derek Stauder, Matthew Vinyard, Troy Li) 1:36.16, 14. Noblesville (Cam Gill, Luke Conner, Alex Wolfred, Alec May) 1:37.29, 16. Westfield (Nathaniel Bledsoe, Joseph Niederberger, Matthew Carr, Thomas Kenney) 1:37.99.

200 freestyle
Championship heat: 1. Parks Jones (Avon) 1:37.11, 5. Benjamin Burdick (C) 1:40.90, 6. Luke Johnson (HSE) 1:41.03.
Consolation heat: 10. Reilly Garman (C) 1:42.38, 14. Eric Oleson (W) 1:44.31, 15. Spencer Satz (C) 1:44.61.

200 individual medley
Championship heat: 1. Blake Pieroni (Chesterton) 1:46.83, 7. Joseph Young (HSE) 1:51.98.
Consolation heat: 13. Bledsoe (W) 1:54.11, 14. Li (C) 1:54.96.

50 freestyle
Championship heat: 1. Kyle DeCoursey (Z) 20.59.

One-meter diving
Finals: 1. Cody Coldren (HSE) 536.20, 4. Stirling Fordham (F) 459.60, 8. Austin Smith (F) 430.65.

100 butterfly
Championship heat: 1. Aaron Whitaker (Chesterton) 46.31, new state record.
Consolation heat: 12. Bledsoe (W) 51.41.

100 freestyle
Championship heat: 1. Pieroni (Chesterton) 43.81, 7. Johnson (HSE) 47.00.

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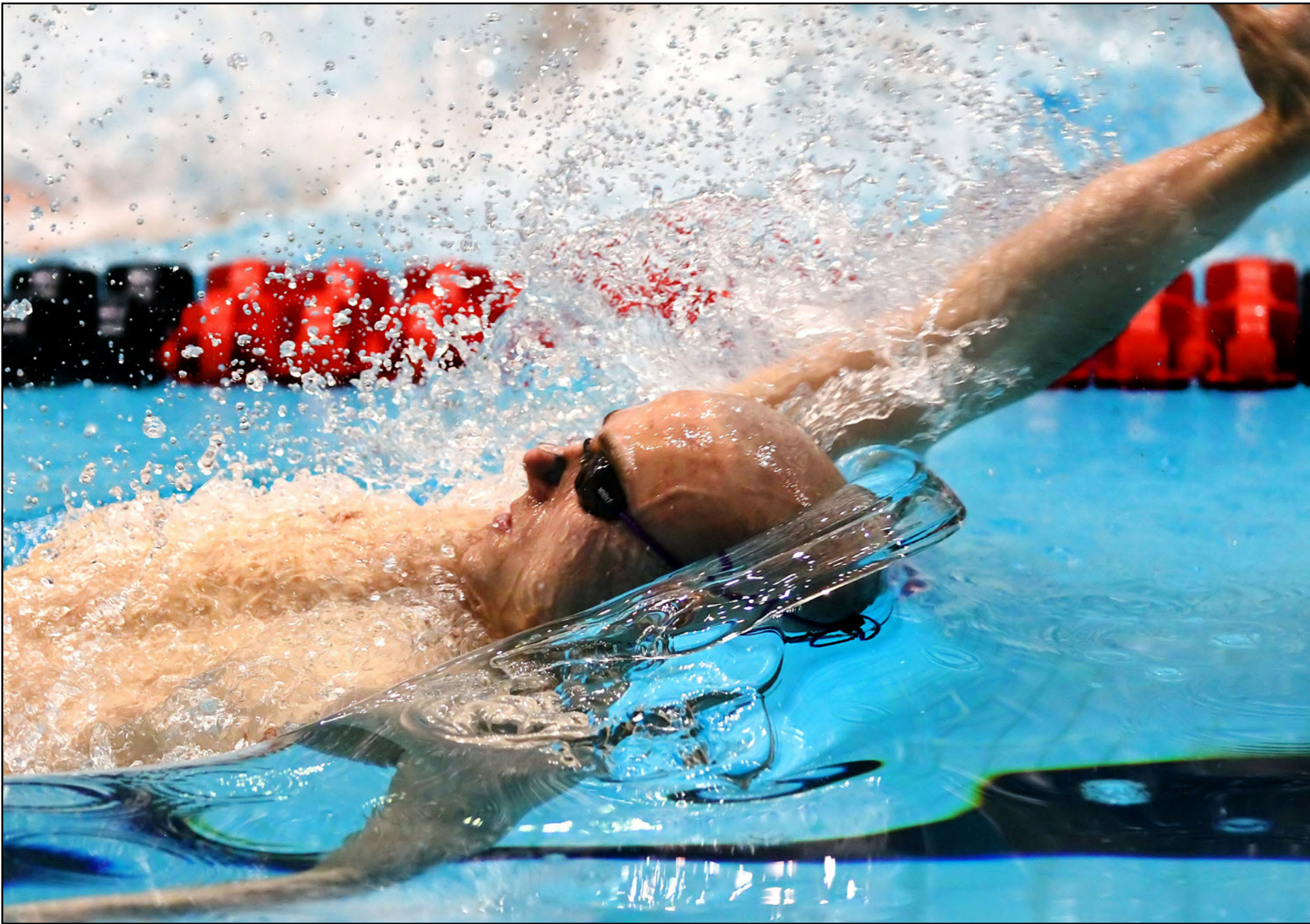


Photo by Bret Richardson/Correspondent

Noblesville's Cam Gill swam in three state events Saturday. Gill competed in the medley relay, 100 freestyle and backstroke.

'Rocks, Millers make their swims count

By **RICHIE HALL**
Reporter Sports Editor
Westfield and Noblesville represented themselves well at the boys state swim meet on Saturday.
The Shamrocks had six swims at the Natatorium, including one in the championship heat. That was senior Eric Oleson, who placed seventh in the 500 freestyle.
"I think I swam pretty well, I was pretty proud of it," said Oleson, who also finished seventh in the event last year. Oleson also

swam in the 200 freestyle consolation this year, finishing 14th.
Westfield's four other consolation swims also included a couple of relays. The 200 free relay team of sophomore Thomas Kenney, freshman Matthew Carr, Oleson and junior Nathaniel Bledsoe finished in a tie for 13th place, while the medley relay squad of Bledsoe, junior Joseph Niederberger, Carr and Kenney were 16th.
Bledsoe also had a nice individual meet, finishing 12th in the butterfly and 13th in the individual medley.

Noblesville senior Cam Gill had a busy day, swimming in three events. He joined junior Luke Conner, senior Alex Wolfred and junior Alec May to place 14th in the medley relay, then got finishes of 14th in the 100 free and 15th in the 100 backstroke.
"I've swam better, but I'm really happy with my races," said Gill. "My goal this season was to get a top 16 in both those events, and I achieved that. Walked away with two individual school records, so I really couldn't ask for more out of this meet."
Westfield finished 21st in the team standings with 33 points, while Noblesville was 35th with 11 points.

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RESULTS

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Consolation heat: 10. Mitch Cooper (C) 46.74, 11. Burdick (C) 46.77, 14. Gill (N) 47.18.
500 freestyle
Championship heat: 1. Bowen Anderson (Penn) 4:25.01, 7. Oleson (W) 4:37.33.
Consolation heat: 9. Garman (C) 4:34.08, 11. Nick Pfanstiel (HSE) 4:36.14, 13. Satz (C) 4:39.64.
200 freestyle relay
Championship heat: 1. Penn 1:24.65, 5. Carmel (Li, Burdick, Alex Stacy, Cooper) 1:25.63.
Consolation heat: T13. (Kenney, Carr, Oleson, Bledsoe) 1:28.52.
100 backstroke
Championship heat: 1. Whitaker (Chesterton) 47.06, new state record, 4. Young (HSE) 50.00.
Consolation heat: 9. Noah Brenner, 52.10, 12. Slack (C) 52.76, 15. Gill (N) 53.23, 16. Li (C) 53.53.
100 breaststroke
Championship heat: 1. Cody Taylor (Columbus North) 54.24, new state record.
Consolation heat: 13. Jackson Russell (HSE) 57.80.
400 freestyle relay
Championship heat: 1. Chesterton 3:01.65, 6. Carmel (Burdick, Satz, Garman, Cooper) 3:08.91.
Consolation heat: 9. Southeastern (Young, Pfanstiel, Brenner, Johnson) 3:09.63.

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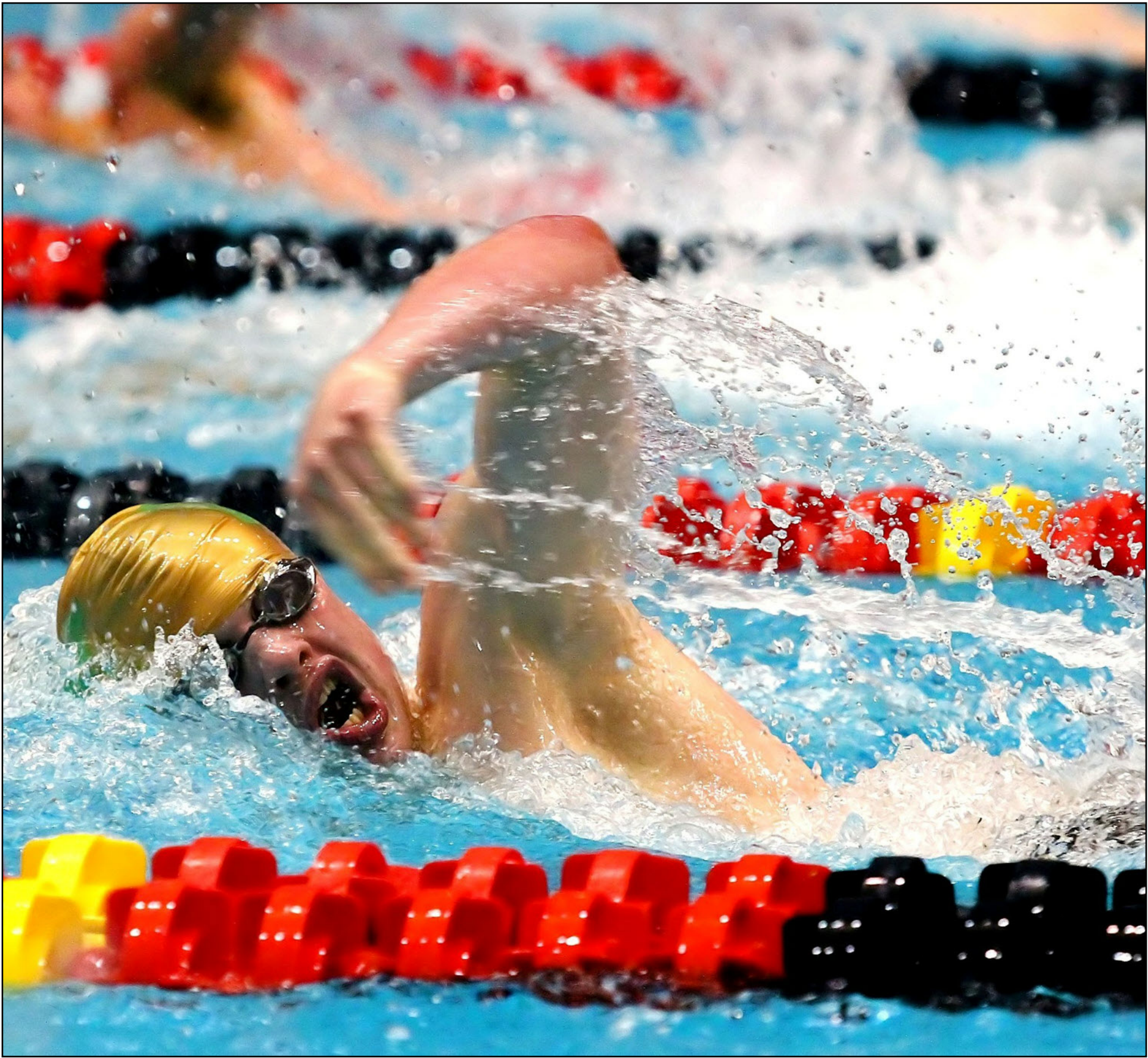
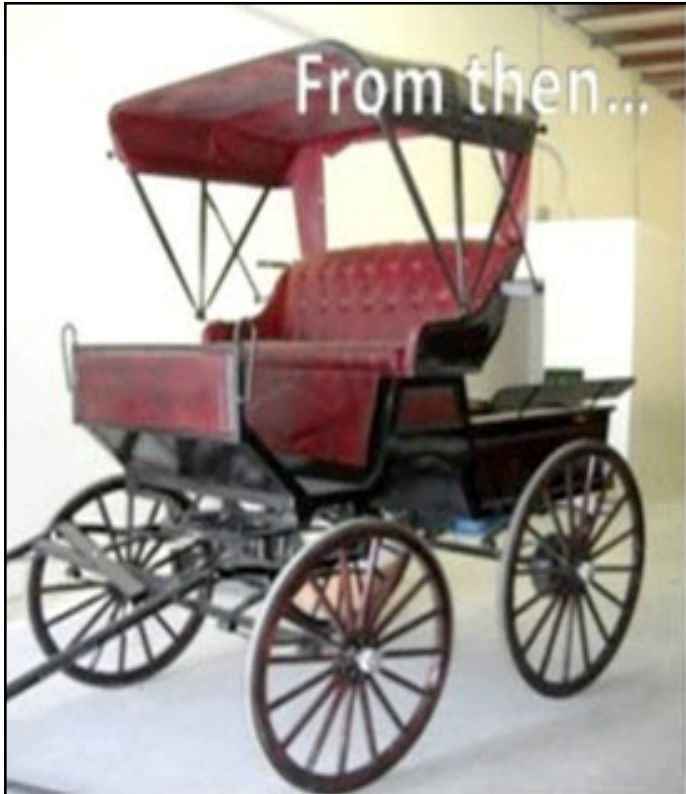


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Westfield's Nathaniel Bledsoe was part of the Shamrocks' 200 free relay team, and also swam in the individual medley and butterfly events.



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Guerin’s Brennan No. 13 all-time

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

Ask Pete Smith an upfront question and the Guerin Catholic coach will give you an upfront answer.

I asked: “Is Aaron Brennan a candidate to be selected on the Indiana All-Stars for summer competition against Kentucky?”

“He’s on the bubble,” answered Smith. “He was slowed a little by an injury.”

On the bubble when playing for Guerin Catholic isn’t a bad deal. For a couple of reasons.

One, Guerin could make a run for the Class 3A state championship. If the Golden Eagles advance, that means more games watched by those who will vote for the All-Stars.

Two, Brennan is on a team which Smith did a good job of packaging his season. It always helps players, and teams, to get into areas where high school basketball receives lots of media coverage. And, to play opponents which get lots of media coverage.

Guerin has played Anderson, Muncie Central, Lawrence North, Bloomington South, Kokomo, New Haven, New Castle, Evansville Harrison Louisville Ballard, Lafayette Catholic, Terre Haute South and Ft. Wayne Bishop Luers.

That’s darned good showcasing for a Class 3A team.

The schedule that Guerin Catholic has played has enabled Smith to put the finishing touch on a very good basketball team, and has given Brennan a ton of bright lights to have played under.

Brennan has moved into 13th place on Hamilton County’s all-time scoring list. He likely will jump four or five notches before

ending his career, although that will depend on how long the Golden Eagles will stay alive in the post season.

The Eagles will enter sectional play ranked No. 3 in the state. Greensburg, the defending 3A champion, is ranked No. 1 and Bowman Academy, which last year won the state 2A crown, is ranked No. 2.

Greensburg is 20-1. The Pirates’ only loss was an 89-87 overtime setback dished out by a Madison quintet which currently is 14-4. Greensburg has played eight 4-A teams The Pirates nailed North Central, 77-72 early in the season.

Bowman Academy, like Guerin Catholic, is well-tested. The Eagles have played teams out of Illinois and Michigan an here in Indiana they have faced 10 4A clubs. They opened the season with a 68-64 win over Tech. They lost to Carmel, 74-52, but two games later they beat Cathedral, 58-51. Cathedral is the only team to have defeated Carmel this season.

Bowman Academy is in the northern division of the state, while Greensburg and Guerin will attempt to advance through the southern division. Guerin and Greensburg can not meet until the semi-state.

Here are some interesting facts on Guerin program and this season:

*In the seven years of IHSAA tourney play, beginning in 2007, the Golden Eagles have posted a 17-6 record.

*Only twice In seven years have the Eagles not reached the finals of the sectional championship game. That was in 2008 when Guerin lost to an 18-3 Oak Hill team by two points and 1st season when Guerin lost to No. 1 rated Mt. Vernon.

Here are the 12 legends Brennan is chasing

Player	School	Points
Billy Shepherd	Carmel	2,465
David Shepherd	Carmel	2,226
Tom Coverdale	Noblesville	1,911
Kent Carson	Hamilton Heights	1,894
Scott Shepherd	Carmel	1,777
Rick McCoskey	Hamilton Heights	1,747
Tyler Jones	Sheridan	1,627
Gary Harris	Southeastern	1,552
Brandon Richie*	Westfield	1,479
Jack Roudebush	Southeastern	1,465
Jess McKinney	Hamilton Heights	1,444
Chris Rodgers	Sheridan	1,426
Aaron Brennan	Guerin Catholic	1,414

SECTIONAL PREVIEW MONDAY

Be sure to read our special Monday edition for a preview on the boys basketball sectionals. You will get the best coverage, best photos and best insight for your favorite team, plus complete brackets for all five sectionals in which Hamilton County teams will participate.

*Since class basketball started n 1998, Greensburg has the 11th best winning percentage in the state at .739. Only North Central, Lawrence North, Pike, Plymouth, Bloomington South, Westview, Evansville Mater Dei, Forest Park, Triton and Lafayette Central Catholic have a better winning percentage.

Miller gymnasts win their own invitational

The Noblesville gymnastics team hosted its first-ever invitational on Saturday, and won it.

The Millers scored 103.775 points, well ahead of McCutcheon's 95.55 and Harrison's 94.275. Constance Chininis was the all-around champion with a score of 35.575.

Noblesville swept all four events, with senior Constance Chininis winning the uneven bars (9.325, the highest score of the day) and the balance beam (8.80). Senior Katherine Chininis was first in the vault (9.25) and senior Jenny Coy won the floor exercise (8.975).

The Millers finished their regular season with a record of 17-6.

"As the regular season comes to a close, the Lady Miller Gymnasts will work hard in the next week to add higher level skills into their routines to compete in the post season," said NHS coach Jody Kiovsy Ramey.

Noblesville travels to Lafayette Jeff next Saturday to compete in sectionals. Both Chininis twins and Coy will be on the sectional team, along with freshmen Esma Taylor and Ronnie VanBuskirk.

Team scores: Noblesville 103.775, McCutcheon 95.55, Harrison 94.275.

All-around scores: 1. Constance Chininis 35.575, 2. Katherine Chininis 34.65, 3. Jenny Coy 33.55, Esma Taylor 30.90.

Vault: 1. K. Chininis 9.25, 2. C. Chininis 8.85, 3. Coy 8.60, Taylor 8.30, Maddie VanBuskirk 8.05, Kaitlyn Murray 8.00.

Uneven bars: 1. C. Chininis 9.325, 3. K. Chininis 8.325, 4. Coy 8.05, Ronnie VanBuskirk 7.70, Taylor 7.025, Murray 6.975.

Balance beam: 1. C. Chininis 8.80, 3. K. Chininis 8.225, T6. Ellie Van Buskirk 7.925; R. VanBuskirk 7.925; Coy 7.925, Taylor 7.425.

Floor exercise: 1. Coy 8.975, 2. K. Chininis 8.885, 4. C. Chininis 8.60, Taylor 8.125, R. VanBuskirk 7.75, Emma Daun 6.825.



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15. "____ Science" (1985)

16. Daughter of a sibling

17. "But I heard him exclaim, ____ he drove out of sight..."

18. Wall hanging of handwoven fabric

19. *Anti-Communist ____ Doctrine

21. *U.K. and U.S.S.R. to U.S (1939-1945), e.g.

23. One-shot Atticus Finch's forte

24. *He sent naval fleet to support North in Civil War

25. Big fuss

28. Relinquish, as in property

30. Win an auction

35. Dull or dense

37. Dutch cheese

39. Game ragout

40. Carpet layer's calculation

41. Indy 500 entrant

43. Cajole

44. Earvin Johnson, Jr.

46. Of long ago

47. Burkina Faso neighbor

48. Olympian Ted Ligety's sport

50. Feudal laborer

52. Bathroom sign

53. Like unwelcome neighbor

55. Web address

57. *Underground Railroad conductor

60. They are notoriously slow

63. *Location of General MacArthur's last war

64. ET carrier

66. Nymph of lakes and springs

68. Liturgy instrument

69. In favor of

70. ____ brûlée

71. Bookkeeping entry

72. Unwelcome deduction

73. Industrial center of the Ruhr

DOWN

1. Bathtub hooch

2. "U" in I.C.U.

3. Tree or shrub type having winged fruit

4. Absence of matter, pl.

5. Like one with low hemoglobin

6. *Nixon worked to do this to relations with China

7. Hudson's Bay Company original ware

8. Bubonic plague carriers

9. Disembodied spirit

10. Italian money, 1861-2002

11. *The Colonial Period and Roaring Twenties, e.g.

12. Highly anticipated during Super Bowl

15. Toothy marine mammal

20. Arabian chieftain

22. ____-tzu

24. High tea padded accessory

25. *Washington's veep

26. Relating to dura mater

27. Opposite of alpha

29. *June 6, 1944

31. A boor lacks this

32. "Ulysses" protagonist

33. Candidate's concern

34. *Mason's partner

36. Get-out-of-jail money

38. Insignificant

42. Old episode

45. Charles Ponzi, e.g.

49. Bygone bird

51. *Gave us Miss Liberty

54. A pinch in the mouth

56. Pinocchio and his kind

57. Civil wrong

58. Craving

59. Beacon light

60. Tender

61. *Things Washington didn't tell?

62. "The more things change, the more they stay the ____"

63. Ornamental carp


65. Joker to Batman, e.g.

67. Bear home

Puzzle solutions are on Page 3.

To buffet or not to buffet

By AIMEE GEBHART



I am a firm believer that there are two kinds of people in this world: those who buffet and those who do not. I, for one, can appreciate a nice, self-serve spread at a restaurant. At least I *used to*, until an unfortunate incident at a pizza buffet left me scarred for life.

My daughter and I were dining alone one evening and decided that a particular restaurant’s buffet would be a reasonable compromise for us. She could have all the pizza she wanted,

and I could fool myself into thinking that I was eating “healthy” off of the salad bar. Our experience was going great until right before we were about to leave.

As I waited for Faith to finish up, I noticed a woman at the salad bar. She appeared to be having some kind of internal conflict about which dressing to put on her salad and kept hemming and hawing and talking to her husband about it. I thought it was a strange thing to be perplexed about. I mean, what adult doesn’t know the difference between ranch, thousand island, and Italian dressing? For heaven’s sake – she was choosing a salad dressing, not a mate!

Her husband seemed to be expressing my same sentiments, but his words were falling on deaf ears. His wife was clearly the kind of person who couldn’t just take

this word for it because the next thing I knew she was sticking *her finger* into the dressing for a taste test! Then, after sucking it off, she stuck *the same finger* into a different dressing to give it a try! She continued this little “lick and stick” routine until she had sampled every single one of the dressings!

I wanted to scream and yell and call for help, but being the introverted weenie that I am, I could do nothing more than sit and stare in horror. Faith was just as horrified, and she tried to get me to say something. But what was there to say? How could a grown woman not already know that sticking her saliva in the salad bar condiments was unacceptable? She might as well have just stood at the door and French kissed

every patron who planned to order the salad bar that evening!

Looking back, I know that I should have told the manager what I witnessed so that they could have (hopefully) removed those contaminated cootie cauldrons from the salad bar lineup. But I didn’t. And that leads me to wonder...how many times *have I* eaten off of a buffet after someone stuck their dirty digits into the food? Probably more times than I care to know. That is why I no longer choose to buffet. But if you are one of the daring types who enjoy the self-serve buffet at your local restaurant, please beware. Don’t let that that sneeze guard lull you into a false sense of security because it will do nothing to protect you against the likes of Miss Lick and Stick.