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Mostly cloudy today, but becoming

mostly clear by nightfall. **HIGH:** 75

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Hamilton County Keporter

These Lions are about more than just...

Pork chops and pancakes

By DON JELLISON **Reporter Editor**

While many service clubs throughout the nation, including many here in Hamilton County, are losing membership and some year," said Clayton Fleming, secretary of are dying out, that's not what is happening to the Noblesville Lions Club.

An organization which has been serving Noblesville Lions Club is going strong.

"Our membership grew 10 percent last the Lions.

Fleming believes the growth is due in a pancake breakfast on the courthouse participates in.

hands," Fleming said. "We're out working in the community."

That point, once again, will be made this weekend when on Saturday the club serves

the community since May 6, 1942, the part to all the many activities the club square from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Breakfast seekers can feast on pancakes, sausage and "We are not a group which sits on its a beverage, all for just \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under the age of 10. Also, the Lions will have Pork on a Stick for only \$5.

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The County Line

Disinterest causing a crisis for local organizations

By FRED SWIFT Are



becoming we a disinterested socie-Disinterested tv? with our community and its institutions,

that is? Not all of us, but way too many folks are not taking part, or doing their part in the organizations

that help produce the heart and soul of our communities.

Here's what I'm talking about. For

Cicero to conduct study on building new government offices

By JEFF JELLISON

building a new government office building. Paul Munoz, Director of Planning and

volved in meeting those needs." Munoz Jackson Street location. The current facility The Town of Cicero will conduct a fea- also stated, "We need to identify what our houses Cicero Utilities offices, Clerk's ofsibility study to determine the possibility of staffing, storage and access needs will be 20 fice and the Planning Commission. Munoz to 30 years down the road.

Munoz indicated Cicero wants to keep Development for Cicero, stated "Right now its offices in the downtown area, which we aren't going out and spending a bunch most likely means, town officials would firms. Once a firm is selected they would of money. We just need to get an under- consider demolishing the current building provide us with a conceptual design and standing of future needs and the cost in- and construct a new facility at the 150 W. cost to build the facility," stated Munoz.

indicated Cicero owns the land west of and north of their current offices.

"We have talked with two engineering

Paul Thieme awarded FFA scholarship by Don Hinds Ford

years Hamilton County has had vibrant service clubs, charitable groups, political organizations, volunteer fire departments and churches, all served by volunteer members.

Some of these organizations are facing crisis due to declining membership. Not enough young people are filling the ranks as older members pass on. It's especially frustrating because we live in a county with a booming population of young to middle aged folks, people who have time and ability.

Here's an example of the problem: the Carmel Kiwanis Club in operation for 51 years, disbanded this spring be-

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Commissioners talk "37 corridor" with **County Council**

By DON JELLISON **Reporter Editor**

There was nothing new to report. The Hamilton County Commissioners met last evening with the Hamilton County Council in an open-to-the-public "work session" before the regular council meeting.

It was an opportunity for the Commissioners to share with the County Council their plans, hopes and dreams for a "37 corridor" which in many ways would reduce the road gridlock in eastern Hamilton County much as the Keystone Parkway has done on western Hamilton County.

In many ways last evening session was the first in a series of "pep sessions" to get the long, long overdue project moving.

It was the Commissioners' first meeting of many meetings which will involve the County, the City of

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Photo provided

Paul Thieme, a Future Farmers of America member of the Hamilton Southeastern HS FFA, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by Don Hinds Ford Inc. and Ford Motor Company through the National FFA Scholarship program. Thieme is pictured with Bud Colglazier, the president of Don Hinds Ford Inc.

The Built Ford Tough - FFA Scholarship Program is designed to recognize FFA members' talents and accomplishments while encouraging their future academic achievements. The scholarship is one of 530 scholarships awarded by Ford Division, Ford Motor Company Fund and Ford Dealers to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2014, or current collegiate students. This program is a part of Ford's overall commitment to the National FFA Organization.

Ford has supported the National FFA Foundation since the first F-Series truck was introduced in 1948, and has sponsored the Built Ford Tough collegiate scholarship program since 1997. To date, the program has awarded \$8,145,000 in scholarships to 8,184 FFA members throughout the country. Ford knows the value of hard work, and believes hard work should be rewarded. Education aspiring young people to become the leaders of tomorrow is just another way of ensuring a successful future.

Lane restrictions end Friday **Cicero causeway nears completion**

By JEFF JELLISON

Cicero town officials have announced the Jackson Street/236th St. causeway will reopen in both directions on Friday.

The roadway which serves as the main east/west access route through Cicero has been restricted to one lane traffic for the last

cause membership was down to only six or older memberships which are finding it eight members. Just a few years ago it was a thriving organization giving thousands to charity, sponsoring the high school Key Club among its many projects.

Not too long ago the Boxley Methodist Church closed its doors. Membership was so small the church could not survive.

Only a few years ago the Arcadia Volthere were not enough volunteers to answer the call.

Other groups, still operating, are in danger of closing down all because of few if any new members. Service clubs, veterans organizations, school alumni associations and small churches are among those with

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all, the State of Indiana. All would need to be, eventually, on the same track with a project that would move traffic south from Noblesville and belong the Fishers area in getting motorists to Indianapolis more quickly, more safely.

'We'll be updating the City Councils at Fishers and Noblesville," said Commissioner Steve Dillinger, who represents those two districts. "We've already had some conversations with the State.

The State could be the key because what the Commissioners want is for the State to turn State Road 37 over to Hamilton County, much like the State turned over Keystone to the City of Carmel.

"I've personally gone to Indianapolis twice to talk with Luke (State Senator Luke Kenley, Noblesville)," Dillinger said. "He is very much interested in trying to help us. So is Kathy (State Rep. Kathy Richardson, also from Noblesville).

"Something has to be done; everyone knows that," Dillinger continued. "We're close to being grid locked on the east side of the county. We just need everyone to buy

several months due to a three million dollar renovation, which includes a 12 foot wide extension constructed on the south side of the bridge over Morse Reservoir.

The extension will serve as a walkway for pedestrians and bicyclist to travel from one side of Cicero to the other.

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nearly impossible to attract new members.

It's not hard to figure out the problem. A great percentage of the population is seeking personal pleasure over associating with others for a common good. Watching endless TV programs, playing on the computer, perhaps a golf addiction or simple restaurant and bar hopping can account for what unteer Fire Department disbanded because a lot of our people spend their spare time doing.

It's a problem that's not easily solved. We're a changing society as the experts like to say, but this is not a good change. The answer to this pending crisis comes down to a simple question: Are we individually going to be part of the problem or part of the solution?

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Noblesville, the City of Fishers and, most of into the plan. We're not at this time out looking for money. We're not even certain how much the project will cost, although it has been projected at around \$250 million.

"But, right now we're just trying to get everyone on the same page," the Commissioner added.

What the County would like to build is a four-lane Highway 37 with a series of overpasses along the way.

'We're just trying to update everyone involved," Dillinger said. "We're not asking for their commitments at this time. We just want to try and get everyone going in the same direction.'

The three County Commissioners (Christine Altman, Mark Heirbrandt and Dillinger) met in the work session with Council members Paul Ayers (part of Clay Township, Adams and Washington Townships), Brad Beaver (at large),. Jim Belden (at large), Meredith Carter (part of Clay Township), Amy Massillamany (Delaware, Fall Creek, Wayne Townships), Rick McKinney (at large) and Steve Schwartz (Noblesville, Jackson, Whte River Townships).

About the Lions

Meetings: Dinner meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the Golden Corral restaurant, 15755 N. Point Blvd., in Noblesville. Incoming Officers (July 1): Robert Guilkey, president; David Marsh, vice president; Joe Connerley, second vice president; Clayton Fleming, secretary; Bob Minton, treasurer; Jim Propes, membership chairman; Ed Shea, tail twister; John Hollenback, lion tamer; John Grimes, chaplain, and board of directors John Terhune, Dale Unger, Duke Miller, Steve Shaw.

Pork Chop Dinner: Friday, June 6, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., courthouse lawn. Pancake Breakfast: Saturday, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., courthouse lawn.

PANCAKES

This is the sixth year for the pancake breakfast.

Before pancakes on Saturday, however, will be the Lions Club's annual summer tradition on the courthouse lawn, the pork chop dinner on Friday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. That's the biggie as the club serves pork chops, potato salad, baked beans, a beverage and a dessert for just \$10. Children can get a hot dog for only \$5.

"It's a great deal, for only \$10, considering the cost of pork chops today. of pork chops," Fleming said.

The Lions Club is known for making a buck anyway it can, and, of course, the money is used for all kind of projects throughout the city.

"All of the money collected through our Fleming said. fund raising events goes to scholarships for graduating seniors; local groups such as the Boys and Girls Club, Hamilton County Cancer Society; Third Phase Food Pantry; the Red Door program and many others," Fleming pointed out.

The fund-raising also makes possible the eye screenings which are given to pre-school students so eye problems can be discovered and corrected at an early age.

The Lions Club collects eye glasses,

The Reporter welcomes news from organizations throughout service Hamilton County

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Also, members of Hamilton County's only locally owned daily newspaper are available to talk at club meetings about The Reporter.

To contact editor Don Jellison call 773-2769 or email to hoosiermaba@aol.com

That's a real problem for us, the rising cost help people be able to see. Hearing aids are also collected and loaned to individuals who can't afford to buy them.

> We get requests from groups and individuals who need help and we review the requests and determine if we can help,"

> A total of 1,350 pre-school children were reviewed for eye problems this year. About 10 percent were referred for additional help.

There are many other projects that the Noblesville Lions contribute to, including girls softball, boys baseball and basketball, Noblesville Orchestra, Noblesville Singers, Hamilton County 4H awards plaques, Hamilton County Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, Noblesville Rain Forest student project, Noblesville Fire Prevention which are sent to its eyeglass recycling project, Hamilton County D.A.R.E., Adoptcenter and then sent all over the world to A-Street program, Diabetes Awareness

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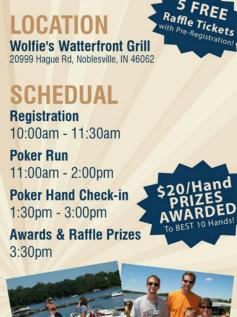


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News

Carmel leads the way, Fishers 5th, Noblesville 20th...

Three county cities ranked among Nerdwallet.com's "Best Small Cities"

a site that helps consumers save time and money by providing information on banking, credit cards, insurance, mortgages, shopping, travel, and more, has released their list of analyst Divya Raghavan. "The city has experienced rapid the twenty best small cities in the United States in which to growth in both population size and income levels in recent live

Three Hamilton County cities have made the list: Car-20. Nerdwallet.com defines "small city" as one with a population between 25,000 and 100,000.

Carmel residents earn relatively high median incomes workers make an average of \$53,228 a year - and incomes have grown by 15.5% over a three-year

California-based consumer Web site NerdWallet.com, period. Poverty has decreased in recent years, with only the Geist Reservoir and plenty of golf courses," said 2.5% of the population falling below the poverty line.

> "Carmel is a great place to call home," said NerdWallet years."

NerdWallet cited Fishers' "low cost of living" as part of second on the site's study of best towns for young families in Indiana.

" Family friendly activities abound in the area as well this Indianapolis suburb offers recreational activities at

Raghavan.

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Noblesville earned marks for its continued growth in income (4.2 percent), as well as its low poverty marks (5.4 percent) and high amount of residents with health insurance (91 percent).

We are pleased to be recognized as one of the best mel is ranked No. 1, Fishers is No. 5 and Noblesville is No. the reason for the city's high ranking. It also was rated small cities in the US along with our neighbors in Carmel and Fishers. All of us in Hamilton County work hard to make this an outstanding place for people to call home," said Mayor John Ditslear.

> For more information and details about the top 20 list, visit www.NerdWallet.com/cities.

Legacy Fund awards \$160,000 in grants to county's not-for-profits

affiliate of the Central Indiana Community issues. The Sheridan Fund was created by Foundation, awarded a total of \$162,400 in the Biddle Memorial Foundation and JBS grants as approved by Legacy Fund's Board United to address issues specific to the town of Directors at its May 12th, 2014 board of directors meeting.

The grant awards included \$137,400 in grants made to 13 not-for-profits serving Hamilton County residents. The LINK Advisory Council, a youth-based philanthropic council created by Legacy Fund, also awarded \$10,000 to three other not-for-profit organizations serving Hamilton County residents. An additional matching grant of \$15,000 in partnership with the Hamilton County Convention and Visitors Bureau was made to help build capacity at county-based arts organizations (both organizations contributed \$15,000 each to support the project).

The grants were made possible by Legacy Fund's Community Endowment Fund, and also The Sheridan Fund and the City of Noblesville Fund, which awarded city-specific grants. The Donald W. Johnson Fund for Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County, which addresses senior-focused issues, made an additional grant. The Legacy Fund Community Endowment Fund is an "unrestricted" fund created by donors with an interest in supporting Hamilton County. The City of Noblesville Fund was

Legacy Fund of Hamilton County, an created to focus on Noblesville-specific of Sheridan. The Donald W. Johnson Fund for Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County was created in 2012 to better support the County's senior-needs. Grant allocations from the Community Endowment Fund are approved by Legacy Fund Board of Directors.

> Created in 2002 by Legacy Fund to give Hamilton County youth an opportunity to be directly involved in their community and to inspire leadership in high school students through service, grantmaking and educational opportunities, The LINK Advisory Council made grants to support Second Helpings (a food rescue and re-use organization); Hamilton County East Public Library and Live the Way, Inc., which supports a community garden program in Noblesville.

> "These broad-based, community endowment funds demonstrate our donors³ commitment to Hamilton County," said Corby D. Thompson, board chair, Legacy Fund. "They also demonstrate our donors' faith in Legacy Fund's grants staff and board of directors' ability to identify critical issues and needs, and then support effective notfor-profits that are addressing those needs."

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Williams tures, sprains and lacerations.

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tified physician, Tim expertise in total joint replacement and Williams, MD, has the non-operative and operative treatment of arthritis will help improve the overall quality of life for our patients."

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Soil and Water Conservation District sponsoring photo contest

Summer is a great time to get outdoors and take some pictures. The Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District is sponsoring a Photography Contest for youth and adults

Topics include farm scenes, wildlife and conservation practices. Each category will have a youth and adult winner. First place receives \$50. Each person may enter five photos but they must be entered by July 1. Winners will be displayed at the 4-H County Fair.

Contest rules, information and application can be found on the SWCD websitewww.hamiltonswcd.org. Please call 317-773-2181 or email soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov if you have additional questions.

Rep. Huston receives Indiana Chamber's highest score for support of pro-jobs legislation

State Representative Todd Huston (R-Fishers) was awarded a 96 percent rating pace of legislation that will have real and based on his strong support for pro-economy and pro-jobs legislation from the Indiana Chamber of Commerce. Rep. Huston received the highest score of all 100 State Representatives in the annual evaluation.

"Great progress was made during the 2014 legislative session and Indiana continues to outpace the nation in job growth and economic development," said Rep. Huston. "Our unemployment rate is a low 5.7 percent which makes us the economic envy of the nation. By enacting new polices that promote economic growth and regulatory freedom, Indiana will continue along this path of success.'

Each legislative session, the chamber evaluates members of the General Assembly based on their votes in favor of or in opposition to key pieces of legislation related to jobs and the economy.

"It's important that we accelerate the positive impact on the Hoosier workforce. And this report holds legislators accountable to that. It makes it clear which legislators support pro-job growth and pro-economy issues, and which legislators do not. I'm happy to say that Rep. Todd Huston puts bettering Indiana's economic climate as a top priority," said Indiana Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Kevin Brinegar.

For the 2014 evaluation, the Indiana Chamber identified 32 bills to use as their grading criteria.

"I am honored to receive such a high rating from the Chamber. By enacting new pro-jobs policies, Indiana's workforce is steadily growing and our economy is remaining strong. I will continue my work to make sure Indiana continues to be the best place to live, work and raise a family," said Rep. Huston.

Music fans getting ready for GearFest in Fort Wayne

stop by GearFest '14.

the instruments they play and the equipment they use is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at 5501 U.S. Highway 30 West. It is open to the public and free. The event is presented by Sweetwater, which bills itself as "the number one online retailer of music instruments and audio equipment in the U.S.," according to a news release.

The release goes on to say: "GearFest is the largest music trade show open to aways for musical gear. If you have your the general public in the United States, own guitar, bring it by for a free re-stringfeaturing a combination of gear expo, entertainment events, flea market, musician's mecca, and educational and musical demonstrations and workshops by some of the biggest names in the music industry.

Several musicians will perform and host workshops. This includes drummer Jason Bonham, the son of Led Zeppelin drummer John Bonham. The younger Bonham has been part of recent music projects of Jimmy Page and Robert Plant, both of whom are also well-known as part of that classic rock band.

" Other musicians include bass player Billy Sheehan, drummer Kenny Aronoff, guitarists Jason Hook, Shaun Hopper, Don Carr, Devin Townsend, Emil Werstler, Carl Verheven, and Brad Davis, keyboard player Larry Dunn, and many more," said the news release.

On Saturday, GearFest will conduct its Producer's Panel, which features a available that have worked with the most famous singers from all across the musical spec-"Bruce Swedien (Michael attendees: Jackson, Paul McCartney, Count Basie), Bob Clearmountain (The Rolling Stones, mation on the event. David Bowie, Bruce Springsteen), Ed

If you're a music fan who is traveling Cherney (Eric Clapton, Bob Seger, The to Fort Wayne this weekend, be sure to Fabulous Thunderbirds), Mick Guzauski (Daft Punk, Earth, Wind & Fire, Mariah The annual celebration of musicians, Carey), Ross Hogarth (Van Halen, Motley Crue, REM), Richard Chycki (Aerosmith, Rush, Mick Jagger), Bil Vorndick (Bob Dylan, Alison Krauss, Bela Fleck), and Fab Dupont (Queen Latifah, Jennifer Lopez, Bon Jovi). The panel will discuss a wide range of music recording and production topics moderated by Sweetwater's Editorial Director and noted author/journalist Mitch Gallagher."

GearFest will conduct hourly giveing and setup. Also, food will be available, and you can get a look at the new 132,000 square foot expansion of Sweetwater's campus.

Looking for the newest in gear? The news release said: "More than 200 manufacturers of musical instruments, music technology, and audio equipment will display all the latest gear; a rare opportunity to experience the products of more than 35 guitar gear manufactures, more than 45 recording equipment vendors, 20 software publishers, 20 microphone makers, and many more.

"In addition, Sweetwater will be offering once-in-a-lifetime sale pricing on many products."

The event is also offering a flea market for people to buy, sell or trade used equipment. Those interested should call (260) 432-8176 to pre-register.

A complete schedule of events is at who's who of producers and engineers http://www.sweetwater.com/feature/gear fest/schedule.php

Pre-registering is also available at trum. The news release lists the following http://www.sweetwater.com/feature/gear fest/register.php

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SAVE THE DATE Bobby A. Mills Memorial Dinner July 27th & 28th, Harbour Trees & Golf Outing



Please save the date for the third annual golf outing & dinner in memory of Bobby. Proceeds will benefit Noblesville Youth Baseball, Noblesville High School Boys and Girls Basketball, and Noblesville High School Girls Golf.

An evening to be enjoyed by golfers and non-golfers alike, dinner will be held on Sunday, July 27 at Habour Trees. The evening will include a silent auction and Noblesville's very own Mr. Basketball '98 and star on the 2002 IU National Runner-up team, Tom Coverdale, will be the guest speaker. Dinner is included for golfers.

A four-person scramble beginning at noon will take place at Harbour Trees Golf Club on Monday, July 28. \$1000 a foursome or \$250 per golfer. In addition to Sunday's dinner, golfers will enjoy lunch before the shotgun start.

We hope you can join us! For more information including sponorship opportuities and to register for the event, please visit our website: <u>www.bobbyamillsmemorial.com</u> or email us at <u>bobbymillsmemorial@gmail.com</u>.

Register before June 1st to save \$50 off individual golfer fee & \$200 off foursome fee

We would like to invite you to be part of the Bobby Mills Golf Outing to be held on Sunday, July 27th (dinner, silent auction, and guest speaker) and Monday, July 28th (Golf Outing) at Harbour Trees Golf Course in Noblesville. We are very excited to announce that Noblesville's own Tom Coverdale, the 1998 Indiana Mr. Basketball and a star on the 2002 IU National Runner-up team, will be our guest speaker this year!

This two-day event is being held in honor of Bobby Mills. Bobby was actively involved in Noblesville athletics and forever changed the lives of countless youth in our community. In honor of Bobby's will to 'pay it forward,' the Mills family has teamed up with Noblesville Youth Baseball and Noblesville High School Boys/Girls Basketball and Girls Golf to host an annual event to pay tribute to the work that Bobby did in our community. These organizations will receive 100% of the proceeds from our event.

If you are interested in sponsoring this event, there are several ways to get involved. We have seven different levels of sponsorship and are also accepting donations for silent auction items. We anticipate serving around 200 people at the dinner and nearly 150 golfers for the outing.

Please look over the sponsorship levels below, and let us know if you are interested in contributing. We would like to have a commitment by June 1st and payment by June 15th in order to prepare to properly recognize your sponsorship.

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Who would've thought it?

HSE will play in semi-state

By DON JELLISON Reporter Editor

Back during the first three weeks of May when Hamilton Southeastern lost five consecutive games and lost 8-of-11 contests, perhaps not even the most loyal Lady Royal softball fans could have complained all that much had Coach David Cook's team throw in the towel.

HSE teams just don't go through those kinds of losing streaks. Even more disappointing was the fact that Southeastern dropped three in a row to sectional area teams Carmel, Noblesville and Fishers.

But, for those who have followed the coaching career of Cook, they knew that wasn't about the happen. "Cookie" throwing in the towel? Forget it.

Since that time, the Royals have beaten Carmel and Fishers in the Carmel Sectional. Last time out in the regional they defeated a Harrison team which had lost just two games and was ranked No. 2 in the state. Harrison also had defeated Southeastern during the regular season.

Saturday at the Harrison Semi-State, the unranked Royals will face No. 3 rated Penn in the 11 a.m. opener. No. 1 ranked and unbeaten Crown Point will take on Huntington North in the second game. The two winners Saturday evening at 7 p.m. will play for the championship.

Although like in all sports it takes a team to win championship, the Penn-Southeastern battle will be highlighted by a freshman and a senior. It is quite a story.

Penn is led by senior Mackenzie Joecken. She is hitting .494; has 31 RBIs and has knocked four balls over the fence. She also is 12-2 on the mound with an awesome 0.71 ERA.

Southeastern's freshman sandout is Savannah Copeland. She is hitting .378 and has 11 home runs and 32 runs batted in. On the mound, Copeland is 12-8 with a 2.72 ERA. In Southeastern's win over Harrison, Copeland was 2-for-4 at the plate, hit a home run, scored a run and drove home three runs. On the mound, she allowed two hits, one earned run, struck out eight and walked one.

Penn has lots more firepower than just Joecken. Junior Moncia Smith is batting .432 with 38 runs knocked home. Sophomore Addison Pixley has driven home 33 runs and she is hitting .423. Another sophomore, Halie Hixenbaugh, has 34 RBIs and a .366 average. Penn also has a freshman of its own, Madelynn Newman, who is hitting the ball at a .455 clip. The Kingsmen also have a very good second pitcher behind Joecken. Another freshman, Denise Watson is 8-2 with a 1.24 ERA.

Royals 9, Whiteland 3 Royals 14, Westfield 4 Royals 15, North 7 Shenandoah 5, Royals 4 Royals 2, Pendleton Heights 1 Royals 9, Ft. Wayne Snider 7 Ft. Wayne Carrol 10, Royals 6 Carmel 16, Royals 3 Noblesville 4, Royals 2 Fishers 10, Royals 6 Greenwood 9, Royals 0 Royals 12, Anderson 0 Harrison 2, Royals 0 Avon 8, Royals 5 Roncalli 4, Royals 2 Sectional Royals 5, Westfield 3 Royals 1, Fishers 0 Royals 10, Carmel 8 Regional Royals 7, Harrison 2 Penn (Won 26, Lost 4) Penn 6, Lake Central 4 Penn 16, Elkhart Memorial 0 Mishawaka Marian 5, Penn 2 Penn 7. Lafavette Jeff 1 Penn 13, New Prairie 2 Penn 10, Elkhart Central 0 Penn 12, Valparaiso 2 Penn 7, Valparaiso 2 Penn 17, South Bend Adams 0 Penn 11, Mishawaka Maran 8 Penn 7, Castle 5 Penn 6, Noblesville 2 Penn 11, West Lafayette 0 Penn 13, Concord 1 Penn 8, Portage 0 Penn 1, South Bend Clay 0 Penn 11, Highland 1 Penn 2, Highland 0 Penn 3, South Bend Washington 0 South Bend St. Joseph 5, Penn 0 Penn 8 McCutcheon 6 Penn 10, LaPorte 0 South Bend Riley 1, Penn 0 Mishawaka 3, Penn 2 Penn 4, Lakeshore, MI. 3 Penn 10, Lakeshore, MI 0 Sectional Penn 6, Mishawaka 1 Penn 7, South Bend Washington 0 Penn 13, South Bend Clay 2

Regional Penn 11, Concord 1



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Hamilton Southeastern softball coach David Cook has led the Royals to sectional and regional championships this season. Southeastern will play Penn in the semifinal of the Harrison semi-state on Saturday.



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Southeastern also has muscle to go along with Copeland. How about junior "hitting machine" Madi Maloof with her .524 average. Maggie Armstrong is batting .375. Ashley Rohr is hitting .398. Rohr has 31 runs batted in and Maloof has 27.

This should be some kind of show between Southeastern and Penn. And, waiting in the wings will be 29-0 Crown Point or 23-5 Huntington North.

Looking At The Competition

Hamilton Southeastern (Won 17, Lost 10) Royals 6, Southport 4 Royals 10, Richmond 0 Royals 9, Franklin 3 New Palestine 5, Royals 4 Royals 7, Mt. Vernon 3 Royals 10, Lawrence North 0 Royals 6, Brownsburg 1 Royals 9, Zionsville 0

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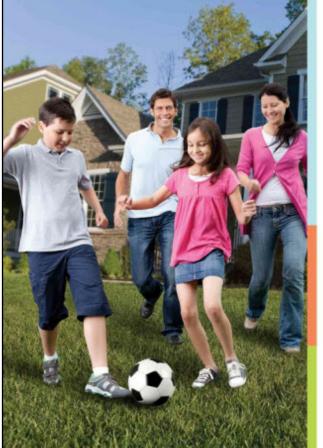
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Hamilton Southeastern season statistics

Batting	G	AB	R	н	AVG.
Madi Maloof	31	105	24	55	.524
Haleigh Simpson	12	15	0	6	.400
Ashley Rohr	31	98	23	39	.398
Savanna Copeland	31	111	41	42	.378
Maggie Armstrong	23	80	18	30	.375
Carly Peterson	10	12	1	4	.333
Annelise Thompsor	า 16	9	2	3	.333
Shelby Mager	28	85	20	26	.306
Natalie Heiniger	29	76	18	23	.303
Sydney Payne	30	75	17	21	.280
Ashley Scurlock	26	54	12	15	.278
Ally Goley	27	30	5	8	.267
Brittany Turner	28	49	15	12	.245
Kayla Kocal	27	68	12	15	.221
Lauren Einterz	13	20	4	4	.200
Sammi Minton	10	11	1	2	.182
Megan Sullivan	11	11	2	2	.182
Gianna Graham	12	16	1	2	.125
V. Olsen	2	1	1	0	.000

Runs batted in: Copeland 32, Rohr 31, Maloof 27, Payne 21, Armstrong 17, Kocal 14, Mager 12, Heiniger 11, Scurlock 8, Turner 6, Einterz 6, Goley 5, Simpson 4, Peterson 3, Graham 1, Minton 1, Sullivan 1, Thompson 1. Home runs: Copeland 11, Rohr 6, Armstrong 2,

Payne 2, Scurlock 2, Kocal 1. **Triples:** Copeland 4, Payne 2, Rohr 2, Heiniger

Doubles: Maloof 13, Armstrong 8, Rohr 7, Mager 5, Kocal 4, Payne 4, Scurlock 4, Copeland 3, Heiniger 3, Thompson 1, Turner 1.

Pitching	IP	н	R	ER	ERA
Armstrong	31.2	24	15	9	1.99
Minton	15.2	21	21	6	2.68
Copeland	128.2	82	66	50	2.72
Mager	28.2	32	23	12	2.93
Strikeouts: Copeland 198, Armstrong 29,					

Mager 24, Minton 13. Walks: Copeland 85, Mager 8, Armstrong 4, Minton 2.

Wins: Copeland 12, Armstrong 6, Mager 2, Minton 1.

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Freshman Savanna Copeland has been dominant on both sides of the plate for the Hamilton Southeastern softball team this season. At the plate, Copeland is .378 and leads the Royals in runs batted in (32), home runs (11) and triples (four). In the circle, Copeland has struck out 198 batters.





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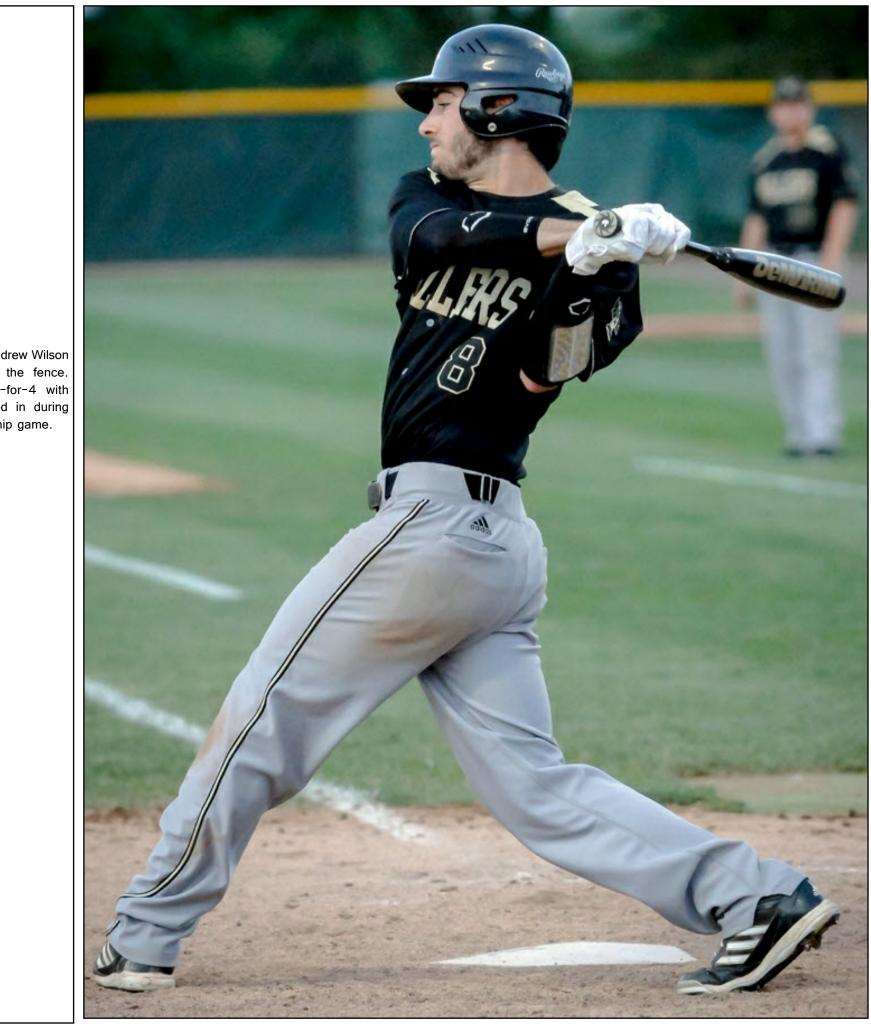
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Noblesville-Southeastern sectional championship

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Noblesville coach Justin Keever and Hamilton Southeastern coach shake hands with each other and an umpire before play begins between the Millers and the Royals in Tuesday's sectional championship game at The Dunk.



Noblesville's Andrew Wilson hits one over the fence. Wilson was 3-for-4 with two runs batted in during the championship game.

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ABOVE: Noblesville players celebrate their sectional championship victory.

RIGHT: Hamilton Southeastern second baseman Carter Poiry reels in a thrown ball.





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The 4x100 relay will be a big event for Hamilton County at the IHSAA state girls track and field meet, with Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern and Westfield all participating. Pictured from Fishers (far left) is Brienn White. Pictured for Southeastern are Kayla Seymour (424) and Deneen McKinney (415).

County athletes have good chance of winning blue ribbons

By RICHIE HALL **Reporter Sports Editor**

Qualifying for the IHSAA girls state track and field meet is a big deal.

But there are definitely several Hamilton County athletes who aren't satisfied just being at the big meet, which takes place Friday at Indiana University in Bloomington. Many athletes would like to get a medal, which one gets if she places in the top nine of her event.

Of course, everyone wants to win their event. There are several county athletes who are capable of doing just that.

The county has three top seeds. Not surprisingly, one of them is the Carmel 4x800 relay team. The Greyhounds squad cruised to a West Lafayette regional win in 9:15.69, easily the top time of all the regionals. Ham-

9:21.71.

One of the Royals' 4x800 runners is Rachel Nichwitz, and she has the top seed in the 1600 run, with a time of 4:55.81. Nichwitz has been busy during the post-season, racing in those events and the 800 run. But she has been successful. In addition to her top two times, Nichwitz is seeded fourth in the 800.

Fishers is seeded first in the 4x400 relay, thanks to its regional time of 3:55.24. Look out for the Tigers in the 4x100 relay as well, where they are seeded fifth.

Noblesville's Rachel Mather has a good chance of winning the high jump - and it's not out of the question that she could contend for first place in two events. The senior is seeded second in the high jump, with a

ilton Southeastern is seeded second at regional-winning leap of 5-08. Oak Hill's participating in the 300 hurdles (seeded Janae Moffitt is the top seed at 5-09.

> Mather is seeded sixth in the pole vault, at 12 feet even. The first seed there is Angola's Kennedy Trine; her best effort is 12-06.

> Of course, sometimes you can't take the seeds at face value. Just ask Hamilton Heights' Sierra Brown. Last year, Brown was the state champion in the 100 hurdles, winning the Huskies' first ever track blue ribbon in a time of 14.53.

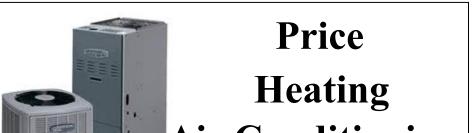
100 event, with a regional time of 15.40. Everyone knows, however, that Brown is capable of much faster times. Brown is also seeds appears on Page 11.

11th) and the long jump (18th).

Westfield has a potential medalist in Karen Hubbard. The sophomore is seeded ninth in the 100 dash, which she won the regional in by finishing with a time of 12.43 seconds. Hubbard is also competing in the 200 dash, where she is seeded 22nd, and as part of the 4x100 relay, which is rated 13th.

Guerin Catholic's Rachel Yuska is running in the 800, and she is seeded 14th. Her This year, Brown is seeded 18th in the regional time of 2:17.78 is not far away from the ninth place time of 2:16.39.

A list of top seeds and Hamilton County





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Top and Hamilton County seeds for the IHSAA girls state track and field meet

4x800 relay: 1. Carmel (Chandler Dykstra, Haley Harris, Kelsey Harris, Megan Kress) 9:15.69, 2. Hamilton Southeastern (Grace Andritsch, Rachel Nichwitz, Jessica King, Samantha Zuber) 9:21.71, 6. Noblesville (Abby Crouch, Megan Line, Sarah Schuster, Susanna Sharples-Gordon) 9:30.12

100 dash: 1. Lynna Irby (Pike) 11.86, 9. Karen Hubbard (Westfield) 12.43, 12. Genese Zatkoff (N) 12.46, 20. Brienn White (Fishers) 12.60.

100 hurdles: 1. Keri Ertel (Jennings County) 14.32, 18. Sierra Brown (Hamilton Heights) 15.40.

200 dash: 1. Irby (Pike) 24.63, 19. Paris Carver (F) 25.86, 22. Hubbard (W) 25.96, 23. Rebecca Pronschinske (W) 25.99.

1600 run: 1. Nichwitz (HSE) 4:55.81, 3. K. Harris (C) 4:59.85, 4. H. Harris (C) 5:00.04, 5. Abigail Horn (F) 5:00.23.

4x100 relay: 1. Warren Central 47.75, 5. Fishers (Lauren Lewis, Carver, India Johnson, White) 48.43, 7. Southeastern (Brittany Goggans, Alexa Jenkins, Deneen McKinney, Kayla Seymour) 48.79, 13. Westfield (Sarah Golliher, Hubbard, Natalie Ravenell, Pronschinske) 49.39.

400 dash: 1. Irby (Pike) 55.09, 6. Breanna Hargrove (HSE) 56.81, 23. Rachel Dixon (C) 59.14.

300 hurdles: 1. Symone Black (FW Concordia Lutheran) 42.51, 11. Brown (HH) 45.82, 16. Deja Cox (N) 46.21.

800 run: 1. Ashleigh Macleod (Penn) 2:13.31, 4. Nichwitz (HSE) 2:15.74, 7. Crouch (N) 2:16.13, 11. H. Harris (C) 2:16.67, 14. Rachel Yuska (Guerin Catholic) 2:17.78.

3200 run: 1. Anna Rohrer (Mishawaka) 10:42.00, 2. Kelcy Welch (C) 10:46.04, 4. K. Harris (C) 10:54.60, 7. King (HSE) 10:57.80.

4x400 relay: 1. Fishers (Carver, Molly Gorgol, Allie Harris, White) 3:55.24, 6. Southeastern (Hargrove, Ashley Mager, Anna Ramsey, Zuber) 3:59.52, 12. Carmel (Dixon, Kress, H. Harris, Alexandra Schultz) 4:02.88, 14. Noblesville (Crouch, Maddie Helsloot, Schuster, Line) 4:03.65.

High jump: 1. Janae Moffitt (Oak Hill) 5-09, 2. Rachel Mather (N) 5-08, 22. Ravenell (W) 5-03.

Long jump: 1. Holly Hankenson (Bellmont) 18-08, 15. Alexxus Smith (F) 17-04.5, 18. Brown (HH) 17-02.

Discus: 1. Adriana Brown (Lawrence Central) 155-08.5, 16. Jessica Kiser (N) 131-00.

Shot put: 1. Liz Iversen (Martinsville) 48-02.25, 21. Lindsay Walton (HSE) 39-07. Pole vault: 1. Kennedy Trine (Angola) 12-06, 6. Mather (N) 12-00, 8. Emily Fletchall (F) 11-06, 15. Dilan Palmer (N) 11-00, 18. Emily Obear (HSE) 10-06.

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