



Hamilton County Reporter

50 Cents

Westfield Schools enter long-term agreement with Riverview Health

Riverview Health announced last evening that it has entered into a long-term agreement with Westfield Washington Schools to serve as the exclusive healthcare provider for its students and employees.

"We're very excited to partner with Riverview Health for our healthcare needs, including nursing and sports medicine services," said Nick Verhoff, director of Business and Operations at Westfield Washington Schools. "This partnership will allow us to provide our students, parents and employees with easy access to top-notch healthcare services and experts, while enabling us to build a stronger relationship with an exceptional organization like Riverview Health."

As part of the agreement, Riverview Health will also have its name on the new 5,500-seat stadium that Westfield Washington Schools plans to break ground on in July 2014. In addition, this partnership will provide school employees with access to high-quality healthcare options via an onsite employee clinic.

"This partnership further solidifies our strong commitment to our community," said Larry Christman, chief operating officer at Riverview Health. "The students, parents and employees in our local community rely on us to help them manage their overall health and well-being. And we're here to provide them with extraordinary primary and specialty care."

New superintendent selected...

Niedermeyer to move from HSE to Noblesville

Noblesville Schools announced last week that Dr. Beth Niedermeyer has been selected as the new superintendent of Noblesville Schools, pending final board approval. Niedermeyer, who is currently the Assistant Superintendent of Hamilton Southeastern Schools, is expected to replace Dr. Libbie Conner who is retiring effective September 1, 2014.

Niedermeyer's contract will be formalized by the Noblesville school board at a public hearing on July 1, and her official appointment is expected at the July 15th Noblesville school board meeting.

"Dr. Niedermeyer rose to the top of our selection process, which initially included over 30 candidates, based on her passion, experience and ability to build strong relationships," said Pat Berghoff, Noblesville school board president.

In her position at Hamilton Southeastern, Niedermeyer led curriculum instruction practices, 1:1 student technology initiatives, a restructuring of the high ability program and Title One grants and instruction.

"Noblesville Schools is an innovative, forward thinking district with a wonderful small town community feel," said Dr. Niedermeyer. "It's one of the top performing districts in the state of Indiana, and I'm really excited at the idea of being part of the amazing initiatives that have been happening here. My vision is to strengthen relationships and work collaboratively with the community, parents and Noblesville Schools staff towards forwarding our common education goals."

Prior to her time at Hamilton Southeastern, Niedermeyer served as the Assistant Superintendent at the Metropolitan District of Pike Township, and is also a graduate of Indiana Purdue University- Ft. Wayne, Purdue University and Ball State University.

Niedermeyer and her husband, Bob, plan to relocate to the Noblesville area.

Olsavskys hiking the Appalachian Trail

Hamilton Heights graduate Shawn Olsavsky is taking a break after graduating from Purdue University, but he's not standing still.

Olsavsky and his father Alan have been hiking the Appalachian Trail, beginning their trek across the 2,200-mile trail in March. The trail stretches from Springer, Ga. to Katahdin, Maine. They have made it halfway across; the complete journey is expected to take about five months.

Olsavsky, who graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering this past winter, has taken the trail name "Indiana Jones," while his father is using the name "Big Dawg." Shawn was met by his twin sister Stefanie, who received her Bachelor's degree in Animal Science in the Spring of 2013 and is a second-year veterinarian student, joined them in Buena Vista, Va. for a 21-mile hike, thus gaining her trail name: "Hello Kitty." Shawn's mother Mary Jane Olsavsky provided "trail magic," which is unexpected food, of tacos, drinks and snacks for all hikers passing by that day. Shawn and Alan will finish their hike just in time for him to begin



Photo submitted

The Olsavsky family was reunited in Virginia a few weeks ago, as Alan (far left) and Shawn (far right) are hiking the 2,200-mile Appalachian Trail. Stefanie (second from left) hiked a section to earn her trail name, while Mary Jane provided "trail magic" in the form of tacos, snacks and drinks.

working towards his Engineering Business Masters at Purdue this fall. He has met and befriended hundreds of hikers, and is maintaining a trail journal online. You can read his entries at <http://www.trailjournals.com/location.cfm?trailname=16807>

Mosaics announces plans for upcoming year

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

Plans were announced for the 2014-2015 school year for the Hamilton County Mosaics School at a board of directors meeting Friday morning, but the long-term future of the school became more cloudy than in the past when it was announced that Westfield Schools plan to leave the co-op at the end of the school year.

Steven Wornhoff, Director of Mosaics, told the board that a letter had been received from Westfield Washington Schools Superintendent Dr. Mark Keen stating that Westfield will leave the co-op in July of 2015.

Keen did not attend the meeting, and the Reporter, when trying to reach the superintendent,

was told that he was out of the office.

However, when directed to Director of Business & Operations Nick Verhoff the Reporter was informed by Verhoff, "A final decision has not been made at this time. We are still in discussion with the Mosaics people."

Should Westfield Washington leave, it would be the third Hamilton County community to make that move. Carmel and Hamilton Southeastern left the co-op two years ago.

The Reporter on Friday afternoon contacted Wornhoff, who at that time read Dr. Keen's one-sentence letter. There was no mention that Westfield might reconsider or was weighing options as to what direction to take.

"Members of the co-op have until July 1 (of the current school year) to express their intentions to leave the co-op," Wornhoff said. "That is what Westfield has done. They may be considering their options."

Asked if the loss of Westfield could bring down the co-op, Wornhoff answered, "No. There are smaller co-ops than ours."

Wornhoff said that approximately 30 students would attend Mosaics this school year and that about one-quarter of those students are from Westfield.

Another piece of the puzzle is with Noblesville Schools, were Dr. Libbie Conner, who has been a strong supporter of Mosaics, is retiring and will be replaced Dr. Beth Niedermeyer. The assistant

superintendent at Hamilton Southeastern, Niedermeyer is coming from a school system which now supports its own special needs students.

Asked if he thinks Noblesville's position of being in a co-op might change, Wornhoff replied, "I can't read people's minds."

Superintendents from Westfield Washington, Noblesville, Sheridan, Hamilton Heights and Lapel/Frankton from Madison County govern the Hamilton-Boone-Madison Special Services Cooperation. At the meeting, the superintendents decided to search out other schools districts which might have an interest in joining the co-op.

See Mosaics...Page 3

Hello golf, it's nice to play you

By JANET LEONARD



Feet about shoulder width apart. Right arm close to your body. Hold you left arm straight. Make a V with your hands as they grip the club. Put your left hand over right. Now relax your shoulders and your knees. Keep your right foot on the ground as you swing from your hips. Keep your eye on the ball. Now just relax and swing!

Relax? Seriously? On Friday I was introduced to the world of golf.

First stop was the driving range. By the time my husband finished with all the instructions I felt like I had just done the motions to the Hokey Pokey"...golf style.

Chuck had me start with a 5 iron. Something about a medium club being fairly easy to loft the ball. Loft? I did a lot of "practice swings" which Chuck said were actually called whiffs.

He finally handed me a driver. Yea baby, this is a serious club! Let's just say I know how it feels to hit the ball seventy-five yards. Chuck has always been so complimentary but I never thought I'd hear him say that I had nice trajectory and arch. Quite the compliment from my 13 handicap husband.

So many times he explained to me the reason for hitting the ball only a few yards (or feet) or whiffing. He was so patient with this first time golfer and wife that he promised to love for better or for worse.

I will tell you the same thing that I told Chuck, "I have body parts that are a hindrance at times to "following through with my swing".

We then ventured over to the green to do a little chipping. I was a pretty straight chipper but need to work on the feel for the distance. Chuck explained how the break in the green can cause the ball to curve away from the hole. I used that as excuse several times.

Chuck asked if I was ready to putt? "Bring it on" I said. I used a

putter that made it feel more like playing croquet. I understood the thrill of victory when I got my first hole in one. Ok, so it was a 20 foot putt but it's my story so I get to tell it like I saw it. I had already practiced my fist pump so I proudly did so for Chuck. He said I would need to get a golf cap so I could tip it towards the crowd when I do something really good. I was hoping for a cute golf skirt to wear. Please, no crowd.

We never made it onto the actual course but eventually we will. It is there that I will attempt to bogey and fist pump a bit.

I guess I should have known that when I married such a passionate golfer that learning to play would be...are you ready for it? Par for the course!



Obituaries

Betty Earlene (Wilson) Williams

November 17, 1925 - June 9, 2014

Betty Earlene (Wilson) Williams, 88, went to be with the Lord on Monday, June 9, 2014, at Riverview Health in Noblesville while surrounded by her family. She was born November 17, 1925, in Cave City, Arkansas, the oldest of four children, to Gladys (Landers) and Guy Wilson.

She graduated in 1944 from Cave City High School where she met and married the love of her life, Roy Frank Williams of Cave City, Arkansas on Christmas Eve, December 24, 1947.

She will be remembered for her steadfast faith in Christ and her love for her family. She was a member of Landmark Baptist Church in Anderson, Indiana. She faithfully served through the years as a Sunday School teacher, secretary to the Ladies Auxiliary, church pianist, choir member and in any other capacity she was able for the furtherance of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Earlene was a homemaker who was guided by her faith in raising her children whom she loved and adored. She very much embraced being a grandmother and great-grandmother that always made herself available to them whenever possible. She was a devoted wife to her husband, Roy, of 64 years of marriage.

Earlene had many hobbies she enjoyed, which included reading and writing poetry, quilting, sewing, gardening, canning, working cross-word puzzles, singing and playing the piano. She also enjoyed garage sales and traveling to family reunions.

Survivors include: daughters, Gail Von Holten and Karen (Larry) Pryor both of Noblesville, Ginger (Randy) Higginbotham of Sheridan, Indiana; grandchildren, Andy (Carrie) Seymour, Matt (Jessica) Higginbotham, Jennifer (Rod) English, Susan (Micah) Beckwith and Jonathan (Heather) Von Holten all in Hamilton County; great-grandchildren, Caden and Kelli Seymour; Michael, Jacob and Logan English; Ava, Owen and Leela Higginbotham; sister, Janet Brashers of Sheridan, Indiana; sister-in-laws, Zadine Dishongh of Batesville, Arkansas and Linda Wilson of Corona, California; many nieces, nephews and several cousins.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Warren Dene Johnson of Little Rock, Arkansas; a brother, Ted Wilson of Corona, California; son-in-law, Robert Von Holten of Noblesville, Indiana.

Our family wishes to express our deepest appreciation to her home caregivers. Also, we are most grateful to Dr. Thomas Miller, and all of the 3-West and TCU nurses and techs at Riverview Health for the most recent care, love and dignity provided to our mother and support given to our family.

Visitation was on Thursday, June 12, 2014, in the Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville. Services were held on Friday, June 13, 2014 with Gary Woodring officiating. Burial followed at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. Memorial contributions may be made to Landmark Baptist Church, 1924 W. Cross Street, Anderson, IN 46011 and Riverview Health Foundation, 395 Westfield Road, Noblesville IN 46060.

Frank Leier

January 14, 1913 - June 12, 2014

Frank Leier, 101, of Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. He was born on January 14, 1913 to Stephen Leier in South Bend, Indiana.



Frank worked as a painter and kept books for the Painters Union for 45 years. He was a member of International Union of Painters & Allied Trades #1118, South Bend, IN. Frank loved to golf, enjoyed playing Scrabble, and liked to go to horse races.

He is survived by his sons, Thomas (Linda) Leier, and Joseph (Jackie) Leier; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to his father, Frank was preceded in death by his wife, Meryl Leier; daughter, Darlene Leier; three brothers; and two sisters.

Gravesides services will be held at a later date at Fair Cemetery

in La Paz, IN.

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Charles Derrick Gaard

December 5, 1984 - June 5, 2014

Charles Derrick Gaard, age 29, of Crystal Lake, Illinois, passed away at his home on June 5, 2014. Born December 5, 1984, in Libertyville, Illinois, Charles was the son of Rodney & Charlene (Martin) Gaard. He was a graduate of Crystal Lake North H.S. and earned his BA in Business Administration from Illinois State University. He worked for No Limit Real Estate, as their Marketing Manager, since 2008. Charles loved the outdoors, especially camping and fishing. He also enjoyed music and dancing, and was a lover of all things sports. During his college years, he enjoyed a brief stint as a standup comedian. Charles was devoted to his family and friends. He would drop anything and everything, to go and help anyone who needed him.

Charles is survived by his mother, Charlene L. Gaard of Sheridan ; Father and Stepmother, Rodney and Lois Gaard of McHenry, Illinois ; Grandparents, Charles and Erma Martin of Carmel ; brothers and Sisters: Melissa (Jeff) Kestler of Willards, Maryland, Joey (Colleen) Gaard of Fishers, Bobby Gaard of Sheridan and Kristin Gaard of Des Moines, Iowa ; nieces and nephews: Mikayla Kestler, Susie Kestler, Ainsley Gaard, Emery Gaard and Hadleigh Dempsey ; aunts and uncles: Marlene (Greg) Miller, Laurene (Mike) Johnson, Charles Martin and Thomas Gaard.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Emery and Marie Gaard and his aunt, Charlene Gaard.

Services were held on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at the Six Points Wesleyan Church of Sheridan, with visitation prior to the service. Burial followed at Spencer Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor Steve Martin officiated.

Arrangements are being handled by Kercheval Funeral Home of Sheridan

Eric D. Blissitt

February 3, 1961 - June 10, 2014

Eric D. Blissitt, 53, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at Riverview Hospital. He was born on February 3, 1961 in Monon, Indiana.



Eric owned and operated Blissitt Insurance for over 20 years, and was a graduate of Purdue University. He enjoyed fishing, and traveling, and was an avid Boilermaker fan, but most of all he loved spending time with his children and attending their sporting events.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jennifer (Darr) Blissitt; children, Evan & Lauren Blissitt; father, Cleve Blissitt; mother, Jo Gay Blissitt; sister, Kim (Chris) Wiese; brothers, Jeff (Pam) Blissitt, and Rick (Ann) Blissitt.

A memorial visitation was held on Friday, June 13, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center in Noblesville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made an education fund for Evan J. Blissitt & Lauren G. Blissitt at any Key Bank location.

The family would like to thank the entire staff at Riverview Hospital, Dr. Daniel Milton, Dr. Lori Brame, and their staff for caring for Eric.

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Jeremy David Locke

August 22, 1981 - June 12, 2014

Jeremy David Locke, 32, of Westfield, passed away on Thursday, June 12, 2014. He was born on August 22, 1981 in Plymouth, Indiana.

Jeremy is survived by his mother, Pam (Wayne Beverage) Locke; father, Hugh David (Rachel) Locke; son, Ethan David Locke; brother, Ryan (Michelle) Allen; sister, Megan (Steve) Russell; brother, Cameron Locke; brother, Connor Locke; sister, Claire Locke; grandparents, Dick and Jeanie Alber; and eight nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Martha and David Locke.

A Memorial Service will be held at 3:00 pm on Tuesday, June 17, 2014, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville, with visitation from 1:00 pm to the time of service. Pastor Kevin Russell will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ethan Locke College Fund, c/o Edward Jones, 350 E Main Street, Westfield, IN 46074.

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Visit our Web site
www.hc-reporter.com



Price
Heating
Air Conditioning



Charles Price
License
#INPC81026906
317-758-4445
103 E. 2nd Street
Sheridan

Heating
Air Conditioning
Plumbing
Wiring

RDK photoGraphic

The next generation of photography & graphic design

www.rdkphoto.com

317-384-2007

Hamilton County

High School Sports Photography

www.rdkphoto.com/high-school-sports

317.773.2584

Randall & Roberts
funeral homes

www.randallroberts.com

Our family has been serving
Hamilton County since 1953

1685 Westfield Rd, Noblesville, IN 46062

1150 Logan St, Noblesville, IN 46060

12010 Allisonville Rd, Fishers, IN 46038

LaVerne G. Boyer

October 13, 1924 - June 8, 2014

LaVerne G. Boyer, age 89, of Sheridan, passed away on Sunday morning, June 8, 2014, at the Sheridan Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. Born October 13, 1924 in Sheridan, he was the son of the late Everett Elton and Georgia F. (Boyer) Boyer. LaVerne was a 1942 graduate of Sheridan High School. He was a lifetime farmer and enjoyed camping and traveling. He would ride out the cold winter months, each year, in McAllen Texas. LaVerne was a member of the Lebanon Elks club, the K.V. Elliott Post 67 of the American Legion in Sheridan and was president of the Good Sam Camping Club.

On November 18, 1972, LaVerne married Janie Frances (Adair) Boyer. She preceded him in death on May 29, 2013.

Laverne is survived by his 2 sons: Michael (Cindy) Boyer of Harrison, Arkansas and Garry Boyer of Sheridan ; step-son Davie (Rebecca) Adair of Sheridan ; step-daughter Margaret Ann Hoelscher of Austin, Texas ; 19 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, step daughter-in-law Doris Adair, 9 grandchildren, 3 brothers in law: D’Armon, J.D. and Joe Barber, and 2 sisters in law: Dora Kunkel and Nancy Hawk.

Services were held on Friday, June 13, 2014, at the Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan. Burial followed at Crown View Cemetery. Rev. Gene Smith officiated. Visitation was on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at Kercheval Funeral Home.

Carol J. Marshall

April 3, 1930 - June 10, 2014

Carol J. Marshall, age 84, of Elwood, passed away on Tuesday afternoon, June 10, 2014, at the Sheridan Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. Born on April 3, 1930, she was the daughter of the late Raynor S. and Opal R. (Bredon) Southern. Carol was a graduate of Wendell L. Willkie High School in Elwood. She worked for many years as a Nurses Aide at Mercy Hospital. Carol was a very loving and giving person who loved helping people any way she could.

In 1957, Carol married Thomas B. Marshall. He preceded her in death in 1992.

She is survived by her son Tom Marshall and wife Betsy of Jamestown; grandsons, Thomas and Terry Marshall, both of Elwood; granddaughters, Sarah Marshall of Elwood and Mariah Grove of Jamestown; 5 great grandchildren, Mady, Audree, Kenzie, Gus and Evie; 3 brothers, Roger (Kanda) Southern of Elwood, Ronnie (Arlene) Southern of Goshen and Steve (Susie) Southern of Elwood; 2 sisters, Linda Southern of Elwood and Judy McClish of Ohio; and her first husband Melvin Robinson.

In addition to her parents and 2nd husband, Carol was preceded in death by her daughter, Candice Robinson; sister, Ann Singleton; brother in law, Jack Singleton; infant sister, Maureen; brother Kevin Southern and Brother in law Jerry McClish.

Private family services are being planned for a later date.

Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan has been entrusted with arrangements.

MOSAICS

From Page 1

The immediate hurdle Mosaics faces is having lost its “home base.” The school once was housed at Carmel and most recently was housed at Noblesville. When Noblesville ran out of space, Mosaics needed to find a new home this school year. That new home was to be the Noblesville Armory, which was purchased by Noblesville Schools. But, following an inspection of the armory after the purchase was made, it was decided the that converting the building into a school would be too expensive.

With the school year just a few months away, Mosaics had to come up with a new plan.

That plan was revealed by Wornhoff at the Friday meeting.

One elementary class will be held at Hamilton Heights Elementary School.

Two middle school classes will be held at White River Christian Church in Noblesville.

One high school class will be held at Hamilton Heights High School.


A class for students with life skill needs, along with academic needs, will be held in a portable on Noblesville Schools property.

White River Church once was being considered to house all of Mosaics, but it was decided that not enough space was available.

“The White River Church people have been great to work with,” Wornhoff said. “They will charge us what will cover their costs.”

Wornhoff said co-ops throughout the state are experiencing all types of problems and facing new situations.

“We are more centralized than most,” he said.



Reading through the Bible in a year, for LIFE!

Week 51

1	1 Timothy 3:1-6:20
2	2 Timothy 1:1-4:22
3	Titus 1:1-3:15
4	Zechariah 1:1-6:15
5	Zechariah 7:1-11:17
6	Zechariah 12:1-14:21
7	No Reading



Sheridan Eye Center

Scott A. Miller, O.D.

We provide comprehensive vision care for both children and adults.

We are known for the time our doctors spend answering our patients' questions.

Come in and see us soon!

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8AM - 5PM

Tuesday: Closed

Thursday: 8AM - 6PM

Saturday: 8AM - 12PM 4th Saturday of Month

3901 West State Road 47, Suite 5

Sheridan, Indiana 46069

(317) 758-6162

Fax: (317) 758-6163

Linda Ann Spears

July 13, 1946 - June 10, 2014

Linda Ann Spears, age 67, of Sheridan (formerly of Speedway), passed away at her home, on Tuesday morning, June 10, 2014. Born July 13, 1946, in Ridgely, Tennessee, she was the daughter of the late Grover Jackson and Effie Lou (Marchbanks) Hopper.

Linda attended Washington H.S. in Indianapolis. She was a licensed LPN and worked for Planned Parenthood for over 20 years. During her later years with Planned Parenthood, she managed the HIV Clinic. Besides being a loving mother and grandmother, Linda loved scrapbooking and was an avid shopper.

On July 25, 1983, Linda married Nicholas William Spears. He preceded her in death on December 15, 2012.

Linda is survived by her 4 sons, Dan Smith of Speedway, Scott Smith of Fall Brook, California, Jason Spears of Lakeland, Florida and Aaron Spears of Los Angeles, California ; her daughter, Julie (Larry) Sutton of Sheridan ; and her 7 grandchildren, Amber, T.J., Tyler, Neil Patrick, Kaitlin, Chandler and Nickolette.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Jackie Lane Meredith and brother, Billy Jean Hopper

A Celebration of Life occurred on Saturday, June 14, 2014, at the Six Points Wesleyan Church in Sheridan, with visitation prior to the service. Pastor Steve Martin officiated.



Now Scheduling Openings!

Call or Stop By To Schedule Yours

- 2 Certified Pool Operators On Staff
- Auto Covers & Replacement Fabrics
- Authorized Pool Logic Dealer
- Full Line of Pool and Spa Chemicals
- Maintenance and Service Contracts Available
- Heaters and Salt Chlorine Generators
- Computerized Water Testing In Our Store
- Soft Side Hot Tub Retailer

317-984-3212 175 W. Jackson Street Cicero

ciceropoolandspa.com

Let Our Family Business Take Care of Your Family's Pool and Spa



NOBLESVILLE MAIN STREET

PRESENTS



THURSDAY MARKET

EVERY THURSDAY • 5-8

Located in the South Alley by Visitors Center, 839 Conner St.

Locally-grown seasonal produce, ultra-fresh meals, small batch artisan foods, handcrafted products, high quality art and local live music.



FARMERS MARKET

EVERY SATURDAY • 8-12

Located on SR 32 in the Riverview Overflow Parking Lot

Farm-fresh homegrown produce, plants, flowers, honey, jams and jellies. Locally hand-made items including baked goods, soaps, jewelry, artwork, and pet products.

Sponsored by:







NOBLESVILLEMAINSTREET.ORG

For weekly booth space at either market, contact Paul Wood, Market Master, at 317-695-7786 or Paul_Wood_228@comcast.net.

Healthy diet, movement key to fighting irregularity

By SHARON MCMAHON
“You don’t have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great.” - Zig Ziglar



An odd quote for an “uncomfortable” but important subject! Writing about constipation is not much more fun than having it but something that most people can relate to at some point in their lives. Most “irregularity” issues are infrequent but very annoying and can certainly derail a fitness plan.

(Please Note! Often constipation can follow a surgery or be related to necessary prescription drug therapy – in which case you must listen carefully to your physician’s diagnosis and recommendations, I will not address those issues in this piece. My suggestions do not address post-surgery and issues related to prescription drug side effects.)

In recent years our diets have progressively incorporated more processed foods with many additives and fewer high-fiber foods; most of us have been made aware of that I believe – that is not news. However, poor diet and relying too much on soft drinks for our fluids have made the business of laxatives a multi-billion dollar business! Over the counter laxatives are NOT a cure, and can be habit forming. My recommendations to my clients include increasing the amount of fiber intake to 25-35 grams per day and including whole grain breads and cereals. There is such a wide variety of grains available at most supermarkets, including barley, oats, farro, kamut, and quinoa. Choose fresh fruits over juices which are often laden with sugar. Apricots and figs are delicious and a great choice. Drink water! Fluids help your body process fiber without discomfort. Consider adding

dried beans or peas to just about any dish. Seeds are excellent (unless you suffer from diverticulitis – please follow your physician’s advice!) and I particularly enjoy chia seeds added to my Greek yogurt. Avoid frozen and boxed meals and canned goods when other good food items are available.

Unless you are instructed otherwise – move your body! Movement assists in movement if you get my meaning! Walk, cycle, dance, do whatever works for you. I teach stretching and flexibility classes which are greatly helpful in relieving digestive problems. I am sometimes asked what kind of expectations to have in regard to the frequency of regular bowel habits, and I do not have specific answers to that, regularity differs from person to person. I will say that your own body will let you know – a healthy digestive system leaves you feeling refreshed, energized and alert.

As we age and our metabolism naturally slows we may be more challenged with constipation discomfort, and most of the time my suggestions here will bring relief. However, if you become constipated do see your physician first to rule out any more serious problem such as intestinal disease or abnormality. If your doctor approves cut back on processed foods, incorporate those delicious fresh fruits and vegetables and drink plenty of water. (Note that if you suffer from heart, circulatory, or kidney problems your physician should advise on the amount of liquids you consume.)

Back to Mr. Ziglar’s quote – not the subject he intended to address but very relevant to our topic today!

Sharon McMahon, CNWC
FlexAbility4u@aol.com

The opinions expressed in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues you may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.

Views

The County Line

“Working people” should mean all those who work

By FRED SWIFT
There's a term thrown around a lot lately that really bugs me. Certain national politicians and sociologists increasingly refer to "working people" as though they are the only ones who work. An office-seeker will often say he is running to help the working people.



I know what they mean, but it's kind of an insult to many others who also work. How about small businessmen, doctors, public safety officers, lawyers, teachers, preachers, farmers, engineers, accountants, artists and journalists? They are also working people, and most work hard to make a living.

That term "working class" supposedly means the folks who do manual or industrial labor for hourly wages as op-

posed to the people who work for an annual salary. It comes from a theory of Karl Marx who claimed the working class labored to produce the wealth for the men who owned the means of production.

I suspect that politicians and academics who overuse or misuse the term are making a thinly veiled attempt to stir hostility between Americans, often to get votes, sympathy or notoriety. It probably works to some extent, but in the end it works to the detriment of everyone.

I don't think I can do much about all this, but I sure wish responsible people would include a wider group, like almost all of us, when talking about working people.

On second thought, I guess I have to exclude myself from all this because when most folks like me get somewhere past 65 they become part of another class, the retired class, and I don't mind being labeled with that class.

The Market’s way up

By MARY SUE ROWLAND
Stocks, 401(k), capital-gains, funds, sell, buy, profits and losses, just to name a few of the mind boggling notices swirling in our head. But this notice is about FARMER'S MARKETS not stock markets!



Almost all communities have a Farmer's Market because it is a successful partnership between the suppliers and the buyers. Only a short time ago, Farmer's Markets were hard to find and often were only in very large cities. The process and thinking goes much deeper as communities tie sustainability to collaboration and other ways to bring excitement to the people and people to the excitement. One great area of is Culinary Tourism - Food as Culture. Culinary tourism is a great way to create an opportunity of "coming alive", fun and great food. It is an opportunity for local restaurants to "buy local" grown produce and tell everyone about the effort they are making. Some restaurants even grow their own produce. Farm to table for commercial and individual use is very popular. This week locally grown strawberry's were available. Compare a locally grown berry to a super market California strawberry. When you do, you will never go back. It takes some energy and some knowledge to figure out what is where and when it is in season. Another good reason to go to the weekly Farmer's Market, the Farmers do that for you. When the produce is ready, it appears at the Market...that simple.

Tourism fits into the scheme of focusing local grown foods to restaurants, Farmer's Markets, farm stands and inviting folks to visit a piece of Hoosier Heritage. There is Culinary Tourism which has grown to more than \$60 million dollars per year for Hamilton County. This figure only reflects visitors who dine in local restaurants not the local folks who dine out. The figure would be much higher if all dining was included. The county has many opportunities for "unique and memorable" experiences of all kinds and part of that experience is dining and locally grow food. The other area of Tourism is Agro-Tourism. This is a "growing" market that focuses on visiting farms and participating in the daily workings of an agricultural lifestyle. When people visit a region, often they visit some type of agro-tourism. Dining at a farm, fruit-picking farm, entertainment farm are exam-

ples. Think about the pumpkin patch and Conner Prairie. Both have a learning experience based on farming and history. In recent years, the numbers of farmers markets have grown considerably. It is also beneficial to place a Market in or close to the Central Business district so shoppers at the Market can shop other places too. Some have suggested that the Noblesville Farmer's Market would benefit all by moving back downtown and using the court house square and the alley's. The activities downtown at the Arts Weekend is proof that location works. Many downtown stores got a great deal of foot traffic and sales. The Arts Weekend also included train rides, movies, trolley rides and food. In Noblesville, the Thursday downtown market is a great idea with a variety of items for sale and is located next to the Visitor's Center on Conner Street on South side of the square. There are Markets during the week and Markets on weekends usually on Saturdays.

As always the message is shop local, support the local activities, dine local and enjoy the community you live in whether it is Noblesville, Carmel, Fishers, Sheridan, Cicero, Atlanta or Arcadia. It is fine to go from community to community but DO NOT leave Hamilton County. Just kidding! The Hamilton County communities are ever changing mostly due to lack of commitment to the community that are called home. The variety of shops is sustainable only if folks shop local. Commerce is depending on the communities to support them in exchange for something special to add to their lives. Visitors are a economic development option and is the second largest industry in the world. Always more needs to be done to attract the visitors to any community. Who can attract the most visitors wins. There are many options and ways to spend your money. As you live your life and spend time in your communities, support the Markets, shops, dining, churches, volunteer for something and keep the place that means the most to you in mind. It's the same old story what goes around comes around and how you spend your time and money will come back to you in many ways. Some good and some bad. Great communities just don't happen. Great communities are made to happen. Hamilton County has more than its share of great communities with awards to prove it. Recently, there was an article about Detroit and their Farmer's Market. It has sustained when most everything around it has fallen apart. There is a lesson in Detroit that what is once great can become less than great in a very short time. Think about it ...



kent graham images

317-313-9599

As water reflects a face, so a man's heart reflects the man. Prov. 27-19

kentgraham@sbcglobal.net
kentgraham.photoshelter.com

FREE to The Community



2014 CLASSIC



MOVIE EVENTS

Free Movies for The Community...by The Community

Classic Movies from The 30's, 40's, 50's & 60's

Fridays This Summer, June - Aug

at Forest Park, in Noblesville

VISIT www.ClassicMovieEvents.com For Movies Playing.

 <p>Hamilton County Reporter</p> <p>www.HamiltonCountyReporter.com</p>	 <p>Logan Street SIGNS & BANNERS</p> <p>317.773.7200 www.LoganStreetSigns.com</p>	
 <p>HAMILTON COUNTY TELEVISION</p> <p>www.HamiltonCountyTV.com</p>	 <p>HAMILTON COUNTY RADIO</p> <p>www.HamiltonCountyRADIO.com</p>	 <p>Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and other Drugs</p>
 <p>WAFFORD THEATER</p> <p>www.WaffordTheater.com</p> <p>Classic Movies - Indoors</p>	 <p>CAMPBELL KYLE PROFFITT LLP</p> <p>ATTORNEYS AT LAW</p> <p>www.ckplaw.com</p>	 <p>NOBLESVILLE TROPHIES</p> <p>www.NoblesvilleTrophies.com</p> <p>317.773.7391</p>

Tina Snodgrass

317-748-5041 Realtor®

Century 21

SMARTER. BOLDER. FASTER.

tinasnodgrass@aol.com



Not the Perfect Mom

The Truth in the Confusion

By TAMAR KNOCHEL
“Since he couldn’t find out the truth in all the uproar and confusion, he ordered that Paul be taken to the fortress.” Acts 21:34
Have you ever played Dizzy Lizzy? It’s a really fun game with two teams running a relay race. You start with a bat, one end touching the ground and the other end touching your forehead. Then you have to “run” circles around the bat ten times before putting it down and running down to the end of the field and back tagging the next teammate so that they can do the very same thing. It’s one of the most hilarious things to watch in the world! When it’s your turn, and your teammates yell out, “ten” and you stand up straight, it’s no longer you that’s spinning, but your entire world. And you’re trying to stumble around in order to



make some movement toward the end of the field, but you really don’t get very far because, well, because you’re dizzy from the spinning and you can’t really see straight. Your balance is usually off and it takes a few seconds for everything to straighten back up again so that you can really RUN. Since summer vacation has started, that’s how I have felt. With so many changes that have hit all at once, mainly the kids being home for summer vacation, it feels like I’ve been thrown into a Dizzy Lizzy game. June 1st hit and my team shouted, “ten”, and I went to run and instead I felt like I just stumbled through. I’ve always done my Bible reading and my writing in the morning after the bus has whisked the kids away. But now, with work and taking care of the kids and getting them on track it’s been very difficult to get the reading done let alone any real writing. I was having trouble putting two thoughts together let alone sentences that made sense! There were some days I didn’t finish until 10pm or later! So during the quiet of my Sabbath

I took the time to pray and to PLAN. I looked at my schedule and realized that there was really only one way that this was going to work, get up REALLY early and do it while everyone was still asleep. So here I am at five in the morning, reading and tapping away on my little computer, storing up the Truth for the day. (And praying for a nice nap later in the day, I run on *sleep* not caffeine.) And when I got to the end of today’s Word of the Day*, this verse hit me like a ton of bricks. “Since he couldn’t find out the truth in all the uproar and confusion”. It’s so much more difficult to find out the Truth, the whole Truth and nothing but the Truth when everything around you is dizzy and chaotic. If you’re world is spinning from change or trauma it’s kinda hard to focus in on the Truth your seeking when you’re simply trying to figure out which direction you’re going. And that’s what hit me; Satan is the Author of Chaos! He is the Father of Lies and the Thief of Truth and if he could keep me spinning, then he could keep me from finding new Truths. And oh! If he could keep

me from finding new Truths then he could keep me from telling them to you so that you would know them too. But God is good and gracious and is an ever present strength in times of trouble. He is the Author of Order, the Father of Truth and the Giver of Revelation. And most of all, He LOVES us. He *wants* us to know His Truth, to seek it like a buried treasure, hidden from those who would scorn it. But like the great Father playing hide and seek with His two year old, He doesn’t hide it where it’s truly hard to find if you’re actually looking for it. Often it’s right out there in the open you just have to have the eyes to see it and the ears to hear it, which He gives you readily when you ask.

* I read a section of the Bible every morning, my Word of the Day. If you would like to join me you can follow along with the 365 Life Cards printed in this paper. Or if you'd like to receive daily emails from my blog that include the Word of the Day reading and my thoughts on them, go to www.TamarKnochel.com.

Swamp of Doom

By AIMEE GEBHART
Ahhh...Nothing says summer like the smell of chlorine and the sound of screaming children trying to drown one another. That’s right; I’m talking about the neighborhood pool or, as I like to call it, the swamp of doom.
Our house is directly across the street from our neighborhood pool. When Faith was a baby, we thought this was great because we didn’t have to lug everything we owned down the street in a wagon. We were just a hop, skip, and a jump away. Yay us for being so lucky!
Now that she is older, I have changed my thinking on this matter. Now, I hate the pool. It’s true. If you’re wondering how anyone with summers off could possibly dislike the pool, please read on to gain an understanding. You might even relate.
1. **At any given moment, my child can see who is at the pool having fun without her.** This leads to guilt trips of



epic proportions. “But *mom*, Suzy is at the pool! I can see her mom’s van! *Why* can’t we go to the pool?” There’s nothing I love more than daily reminders of how other moms are way more fun than me.
2. **I burn like a pig on a spit.** I have no solid proof, but with the way my skin repels sunlight, I think that I may be part vampire. It doesn’t matter how much sunblock I put on either. I slather myself in SPF 50 every hour, and I still come home from the pool with a lobster red nose and chest. Somehow my legs manage to stay sickly white, so thank goodness for that.
3. **Chlorinated water is not our friend.** My daughter has naturally blond hair. My hair, while not naturally blond, has blond highlights to cover up my natural gray. Both of us have to go through all kinds of preventative measures unless we want to look like green haired swamp monsters all summer long. Nothing kills spontaneous pool fun like having your mom scream, “Don’t go in the water until you’ve saturated your hair with clean tap water and conditioner!”
4. **I’m not in with the “Mommy Clique”.** Some mommies are champs at the whole pool scene. They have the best

snacks, the best toys, and they hang out together and talk about how great their kids are. I am not a member of this exclusive club. I’m the mommy sitting alone at the far end of the pool reading a book, avoiding eye contact, and praying that my friend Laura shows up so I can have someone to commiserate with.
5. **I have a hard time controlling my teacher instincts.** My child is not perfect, and I have no problem telling her to knock off her misbehavior at the pool. The problem is that the teacher in me wants to call out every other kid for their transgressions as well. It’s a constant biting of the tongue for me to hold back comments like, “Hey you! Don’t you twist your brother’s arm when your mom isn’t looking!” Or, “Stop monopolizing the pool with your 8 foot alligator raft!” Or, my biggest pet peeve, “Shoot me with your water gun one more time, kid!”
Regardless of how I feel about the pool, I know that I am going to have to get past it for my child’s sake. After all, it’s her summer too. She deserves to have fun, even if it does include green hair, a socially awkward mom, and the swamp of doom.



Call for your appointment today
888-959-1672
Or schedule online at hareservice.com

- Service all makes and models
- Factory trained and ASE certified technicians
- Shuttle service available
- Rental cars on site
- Pet friendly waiting room
- Separate kids play room
- Fresh hot popcorn
- Complimentary tea, coffee, water
- Free wi-fi
- Quiet room/Business Center

\$10 OFF
Any rental car

Not valid with any other offers, must present coupon at the time of write up, by appointment only. Expires 7/31/14

FREE
Scrub Club (one year unlimited car washes) with the purchase of a full vehicle detail for \$169.95

Not valid with any other offers, must present coupon at the time of write up, by appointment only. Expires 7/31/14

Hare/Story
Collision Center

Free full detail with any body repair over \$1000.

Not valid with any other offer, must be by appointment only, must present coupon at the time of drop off for repair. Expires 7/31/14.

Noblesville Airport hosts Fly-In Breakfast

By BRIAN REDDICK
The little known Noblesville Airport was host to more than 70 aircraft Saturday morning. Co-owners Larry Jacobi and Don Roberts held their annual fly-in pancake breakfast for pilots and aircraft enthusiast alike. The small grass strip located at 14782 Promise Rd. was jam packed with everything from modern Cessna's to WWII era warbirds.
8 year old William Vowels of Noblesville was examining the many WWII era planes with his grandfather Frank Hibbard and stopped to pose for a quick photo for The Reporter. William said "I love the planes, they are really cool". When asked what his favorite plane was he and his grandfather agreed that the old Mustangs were definitely at the top of the list.
Another visitor to the fly-in was Commemorative Air Force pilot Dennis Schell

in his WWII era 1944 PT-26. The PT, standing for primary trainer, was what beginner pilots used to begin to fly combat aircraft before moving on to the "AT" series planes like the AT-6 that was on display at the airfield. The Commemorative Air Force has a plane based out of Fishers' Metro Airport and another based out of the Sheridan Airport. The CAF, started in 1962, has about 25 members overall in Indiana and 160 refurbished aircraft nationwide.
If you missed this one, the Noblesville Airport will host two more of the fly-in's later this year. August 23rd will be another breakfast from 8am – 11am and Oct 5th will be a BBQ fly-in lunch from 12pm – 3pm. You don't have to be a pilot to come, all you need is a passion for aviation.



Photo by Brian Reddick/RDK PhotoGraphic

8 year old William Vowels of Noblesville checks out a 1941 Boeing Stearman during the Noblesville Airport Fly-In Breakfast on Saturday.

New leadership for little Huskies...

Wright named Heights Elementary Principal; Watson named Assistant Principal

Pending a final approval at the June 19 School Board Meeting, Hamilton Heights School Corporation plans to name Elizabeth Wright as the new principal for Hamilton Heights Elementary School and Ken Watson as assistant principal.
Wright, now into her 16th year in education, began her career at Heights as a special education teacher in 2010. During her inaugural year at the high school, she worked

with students with various disabilities as well as took a team teaching approach in the inclusion environment. With strong leadership skills and potential, Wright quickly moved into the assistant principal role her second year at Heights. Here she excelled and took a leadership role in developing an innovative collaborative teaching environment through professional learning communities, classroom management support and school data analysis. The following

year she accepted the position of principal at Hamilton Heights Middle School. While transitioning into her second year as principal of this Four Star School, she has already taken an innovative school to the next level of personalized instruction through 21st Century learning.
Watson's development as an educator and administrator over the past 22 years at Hamilton Heights has taken him from an instructional assistant to classroom teacher and assistant principal prior to being named building principal in 2012. Watson's new role places him in a strong position to be a valuable asset as a part of the elementary school's leadership team while enabling him to continue his professional development.
"I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to lead the school for the past two and a half years and look forward to the opportunity to work closely with Elizabeth Wright as she transitions into her new role at the elementary.

"This is a special opportunity for Elizabeth to serve at the helm of the elementary, the third Heights' building during her four-year tenure with the corporation," said Hamilton Heights School Corporation Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood. "We are excited that Ken will continue his service as assistant principal. Jessica DuBois, who has served as the Assistant Principal at Heights Elementary for the past two years, moves to the high school where she will teach Science and Math.
"This transition represents a win-win for the students, staff and parents who will benefit through the nearly four decades of combined teaching and administrative experience Wright and Watson bring with them," Dr. Arrowood continued. "Moreover, the high school benefits from an invaluable educator who brings her knowledge, experience and skills back into the classroom on a daily basis."
A replacement for Wright has not been named.

Men (and man's best friend) enjoy Noblesville Strawberry Festival



Photo by Brian Reddick/RDK PhotoGraphic

Jim Rich and his dog "Chase" share a bowl of ice cream at the Noblesville Strawberry Festival, which took place Saturday on the Noblesville Square. The event is hosted by St. Michael's Episcopal Church and is in its 37th year.

Annual

North Atlantic Cod
Jumbo Cod

French Fries
Baked Bean
Slaw

Bottled Water
Lemonade
Soft Drinks
Iced Tea

Don't Forget Pie and other Desserts

Friday June 20th & Saturday June 21st

11:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Carry Outs Available

Sponsored By:
Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church
445 E. 111th Street
Indianapolis, IN. 46280

Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church
445 E. 111th Street
Indianapolis, IN. 46280

Cool down this Summer with a Cool Fan !!!!!

Installation? It's a breeze. We can do it for you.
(Charges Apply)

All Ceiling fans on Sale

50 % off

(Suggested Retail)

Sale ends July 1st

3440 East St. Rd. 32
Westfield 317-896-3033
Mon –Thurs 9-6
Fri 9-5 Sat 10-5

The Reporter Newspaper Will Be Unwrapping Exciting News

Can You Guess What We Will Be Announcing?

The First Reader That Guesses Correctly Wins A \$25 Gift Card

Submit Your Guess
Hamiltonconorthreporter@hotmail.com
Please include your name and phone number

Here Is A Hint...We Are Growing

Make Sure To Read Next Week's Special Announcement

Emily Beechler named Hamilton Heights' Teacher of the Year

Hamilton Heights School Corporation is pleased to announce that Emily Beechler has been selected as its Teacher of the Year. Beechler, who serves as the Media Specialist at Hamilton Heights Middle School, was among four outstanding professionals from the school district nominated as the top pick for their building for this recognition for 2013-14. Beechler will be among those individuals from throughout the state in consideration for Indiana's Teacher of the Year Award and will represent Hamilton Heights at the "Teacher of the Year" awards ceremony in October.

In addition to Beecher, this year's building nominees included Andrea Sayers, 2nd Grade Teacher, Hamilton Heights Primary School; Natalie Gasser, 5th Grade Teacher, Hamilton Heights Elementary School and Conita Maynard, Speech Language Pathologist, Hamilton Heights High School.

Beechler began her career at Heights as a 5th grade teacher in 2000. After three years she moved to 6th grade English and became the English department head at the middle school. She held that position for six years, and in 2009, became the Media Specialist. "I have been doing this job for five years and I absolutely love it," says Emily Beecher of the role that allows her the unique opportunity to work with all students each year. "I get to see them grow and mature as students, as readers and as people. Few staff members get that chance. I also get to work with almost every staff member, from co-teaching, to planning, to providing support."

In addition to her role as the media specialist and the English department head, Beecher is the Student Government sponsor, the Media Club advisor, assistant coach for the Spell Bowl and Academic teams, and co-chair of the school improvement committee.

"Emily is a problem-solver, an innovator, and a dynamic member of our Middle School family," explains Elizabeth Wright, Principal, Hamilton Heights Middle School. "Her enthusiasm, love, and passion for education have hardly a rival on our staff... and we have an incredible faculty here at HHMS."

Wright went on to say that Beechler does not work or serve for awards or accolades, but simply to inspire and impact all those that she comes in contact with each day. She strives to make each day a warm and inviting place for not only students but for the rest of the faculty as well. One cannot walk by her without her flashing her

contagious smile. She is able to push students out of their comfort zone and achieve accomplishments beyond their expectations. She also takes great pride in working with staff members managing success on tasks that they often do not feel confident in their abilities prior to her help. She brings the best out in everyone she is around. Not only does she make people want to become better students and teachers, but also a better person overall."

Dr. Derek Arrowood, Hamilton Heights School Corporation Superintendent, said Emily Beechler represents what is great about the entire HHSC Faculty. "She demonstrates passion for student success daily, is innovative and knowledgeable in her content area, and truly enjoys making a positive difference in the lives of our students. Emily is a great representative of all that is great about our outstanding teaching staff."

"I am so touched to be nominated," added Beechler. "I love this school system and am flattered to be representing Heights. I consider the students, staff and families here are my extended family and to be able to represent them is an amazing honor."



Photo provided

Emily Beechler, Media Specialist at Hamilton Heights Middle School, was named as Hamilton Heights Teacher of the Year for 2013-14.



You've worked hard to make your house a home. Your insurance should work hard, too.

You've created a style all your own. The colors, the furnishings. They're you. Your family and friends find comfort here.

Now let us show you a better, affordable way to protect your home and loved ones. We offer exceptional service and a broad range of coverages backed by the assurance that we'll be there when you need us.



Brian Bragg
Bragg Insurance Agency
3901 W State Road 47 Ste 7
Sheridan, IN 46069-9256
Fax: 317-758-5829
317-758-5828



Above all in sERvice™

S1022 Not all companies are licensed or operate in all states. Not all products are offered in all states. Go to erieinsurance.com for company licensure and territory information.



You've worked hard for your home.
Now you can let your home work for you...
HOME EQUITY LINE OF CREDIT

Why Home Equity?

- Interest may be tax deductible: consult your tax advisor
- Several payment options
- Borrow whenever, for whatever
- No minimum draw amount required
- Competitive interest rates
- Easy access to your line of credit

6 HAMILTON COUNTY LENDING LOCATIONS

Visit our website or call for location information
(317) 773-0800
cbindianaonline.com

Mobile Banking App (Comm Bank Indiana) available now!



Sure I remember (kind of) Jim Thornton...

He's coaching Cicero Legion

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

I knew that a guy by the name of Jim Thornton was coaching the new Cicero American Legion baseball team. I've heard that name before, I told myself.



Then, I didn't give it a second thought until Sunday when I went to Cicero Park to see the Cicero play.

"Hello," I said, "I'm here from the Hamilton County Reporter to cover your game."

"You probably don't remember me," Thornton said. "Back in the '70's I stayed at your home."

Oh, that Jim Thornton.

As I recall he was a skinny kid from Terre Haute who was a foster parent player staying at the Jellisons during the state Babe Ruth Tourney. He has put on a few pounds and added a few years since those days. Glad I've haven't.

I'm not going to tag Jim as the "new Don Dunker." No one can replace Dunk. But, as far as I known Thornton is the first guy to coach an American Legion team in Hamilton County since Dunker did it all those many years.

American Legion ball has changed since Dunker's days. At least here in Central Indiana.

"There aren't many Legion teams in this area," Jim agreed. "There are lots down south and up north. Evansville has six Legion teams."

Community summer baseball is still huge in Southern Indiana and the Legion is a huge part of that. Towns in Southern Indiana still have their own summer teams, as opposed to our area of the state with kids joining very expensive travel teams.

"Some families can't afford travel baseball," Thornton said. "We charge a little to cover expenses, but it probably costs a kid to play all season with us compared to one day of travel baseball."

Thornton's team will travel this summer. It has to travel because there aren't many Legion teams nearby. Cicero will travel to Attica, Remington, Bloomfield, Richmond, Terre Haute, Rockville and Sullivan.

"We don't travel out of state," Thornton said.

Currently, home games for the James Evans Post 341 Cicero team are scheduled at the Cicero Sports Complex, but Thornton would like to play some at the Hamilton Heights high school diamond, where lights are available. Today, Thornton is meeting with Heights officials with the hope of getting Tuesday's game with Kokomo scheduled under the lights.

It would be nice if Cicero and the Heights area would adopt the Legion team as a local summer team, putting their support behind Thornton and these kids. That probably will take time because, like in other sports, teams need to win and win big in

order to bring out the fans. That may not happen for a couple of years for Cicero Legion.

"We're a young team," Thornton said. "Actually, by Legion standards, we're a very young team. Most Legions rosters are filled with graduated seniors, and seniors to be. We've got lots of juniors and sophomores."

The Post 341 team represents five different schools districts ... Alexandria, Lapel, Noblesville, Fishers and Hamilton Heights.

So far this summer, Cicero Legion is holding its own. Cicero won its opener beating Kokomo by a run in 10 innings. Sunday, the Legion lost a double-header to Richmond. Cicero played very well in the opener, falling 7-5. They lost the second game, 9-1.

Thornton got good pitching from Alexandria's Braxton Moore and Lapel's Dustin Dowden in the opener. The winners got just five hits, but Cicero committed four errors. Cicero got nine hits, including two each from Jessie Gossett (Alexandria), Dylan Dowden (Lapel), and Kiel Gregg (Alexandria).

Hamilton Heights' Lukas Sipe pitched well in the nightcap. He allowed seven runs in five innings, but only two were earned as Cicero made five errors. Cicero got just three hits. Sipe had a pair of doubles and Armaan Rodriguez (Fishers) had a two bagger.

"Our defense hasn't been good, but bringing all of these kids together from different areas has been tough," Thornton

said. "Some didn't even know each other until they joined the team."

It's difficult covering summer baseball, but we at the Reporter are going to try to give our support. We hope the Hamilton Heights community does the same.

Sunday Games

Richmond 7, Cicero 5

Cicero Legion	AB	R	H	RBI
Jessie Gossett, ss	4	1	2	1
Dylan Dowden, lf	4	0	2	0
Lukas Sipe, cf	4	1	1	0
Braxton Moore, p	3	0	1	0
Armaan Rodriguez, 3b	4	0	0	0
Dane Johnson, 1b	4	1	1	1
Matthew Orly, 2b	2	0	0	0
Dustin Dowden, 2b	2	0	0	0
Kiel Gregg, rf	3	2	2	1
Cory Thornton, c	3	0	0	0
Totals	32	5	9	3

2B: Gossett 1, Gregg 1.

Score by Innings:

Richmond	100	402	0	--	7	5	3
Cicero	120	001	1	--	5	9	4
Cicero Pitching	IP	R	ER	H	KO	BB	
Moore	6	7	2	4	6	4	
Du. Dowden	1	0	0	1	2	0	

Richmond 9, Cicero 1

Cicero	AB	R	H	RBI
Jesse Gossett, ss	3	0	0	0
Dustin Dowden, c	3	0	0	0
Lukas Sipe, p	3	1	2	0
Braxton Moore, 1b	3	0	0	0
Amaan Rodriguez, 3b	3	0	1	1
Dane Johnson, rf	3	0	0	0
Matthew Orly, 2b	2	0	0	0
Dylan Dowden, 2b	1	0	0	0
Kiel Gregg, 2b	1	0	0	0
Cory Thornton, rf	2	0	0	0
Totals	24	1	3	1

2B: Sipe 2, Rodriguez 1.

Cicero Pitching	IP	R	ER	H	KO	BB
Sipe	5	7	2	10	2	1
Gregg	2	2	2	4	1	1



Reporter photo by Perry Williams

The Noblesville baseball team is going to the IHSAA State Finals for the first time in school history. The Millers beat Lake Central 4-3 in the Plymouth semi-state.

Miller baseball is state bound

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

The Millers are going to Victory Field, and this time not to see the home field Indianapolis Indians play.

For the first time in the school's long and colorful baseball history, Noblesville has qualified for the IHSAA State Finals. They will play Terre Haute North, 8-4 winners over Castle in the Southern Semi-State, for the Class 4A state championship at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Coach Justin Keever, in his third try, led Noblesville to the Northern Semi-State title by beating Lake Central, 4-3, at Bill Nixon Stadium in Plymouth.

Noblesville trailed 2-0 early; scored four runs in the fourth and then with a sophomore lefty, Cory Conway on the mound, held off a late charge by Lake Central. Two LC Indians were left spinning their wheels on base when left fielder Andrew Wilson ended the game with a catch.

Keever was quick to give all the credit to his team.

"The kids did it," said the coach "These kids are fighters. They never quit."

"Cory Conway did a heck of a job on the mound and so did (starter) Garrett Christman."

"Zack St. Pierre's home run was huge. That was a heck of a shot. It got our offense started. We had hit some balls hard, but right to someone."

"That was a very good Lake Central team we beat today," Keever added.

"This is awesome, what has happened," Keever said. "You don't win the (Hoosier Crossroads) Conference; the sectional; the regional and now the semi-state with 1-2-3 guys. Everyone on this roster is a part of this victory. They all worked hard in practice this season."

Noblesville was held to one hit by Lake Central senior pitcher Brenden Seren through the first three innings when St.

Pierre opened the fourth with a booming home run which cleared the 360-foot marker in right center field.

"I got a fast ball and hit it," St. Pierre said. "I wasn't sure it was going to leave the park."

After St. Pierre's blast and a ground out, Easton Brock singled and stole second. With two out, Bret Rundle singled to send Brock home with the 2-2 tying run. Austin Shirley ran for Rundle and he scored when Lake Central threw away Wilson's grounder. That gave Noblesville its first lead at 3-2. The Millers scored what proved to be the game-winning run when Wilson crossed the plate on a single by Brian McLean.

But, the battle wasn't yet over.

Christman, who had allowed just four hits, two runs and one earned run, walked the first batter in the sixth. Keever went to the mound and replaced his senior ace with the sophomore Conway.

"I felt like I had something left, but Coach made the decision and it was a good one," Christman said

Conway retired the first two batters he faced, but a single by Ohio State-bound John Milaszewski put a second Lake County runner on base.

Then came what was, perhaps, the biggest defensive play of the game. Conway picked off Milaszewski, the play going from Conway to Dax McLochlin at first to Christman at second.

Keever later said that the pickoff call was made from the bench.

In the seventh, Conway got the first batter on a fly to center; hit the next batter; and then recorded his second strikeout. He allowed a single but got the final out on the fly ball to Wilson.

"My curve was really working today," said Conway, who also said he thought a little about the pressure of a sophomore pitching in that situation.

ULC Freedom School

CNA-CPR-QMA

Classes



(317) 318-3836

Noblesville

Fourth of July

Parade & Fireworks Festival

Parade 5pm

Sponsored by:



It's a Grand Old Flag

Grand Marshal: Chuck Layton

Free Fireworks Festival 6pm-10pm

Fireworks 10pm

Festival held at Noblesville High School, 18111 Cumberland Rd.

Presented by:



- The Kids Zone featuring balloon artists, face painters, interactive inflatables, carnival games, and more
- For all ages: the music of Ripple Effect, Animalia animal shows (6pm-9:30pm), mini racecar simulator, photo booth, rock climbing wall, extreme air jumper, and more
- Food Vendors are available or people may bring a picnic dinner

No fireworks, sparklers, alcohol, or smoking permitted on school grounds

For questions call Cara Culp at (317) 776-6367 or email cculp@noblesville.in.us

www.NoblesvilleFireworksFestival.com