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Hamilton County Reporter

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Santa Claus comes to town

By BRIAN REDDICK

The City of Noblesville hosted its annual holiday parade last Sunday afternoon, officially bringing in the Christmas season to Noblesville.

The unseasonably warm temperatures drew large crowds into downtown Noblesville for the annual event.

Grand Marshal and Noblesville businessman Jim Wafford led the way. Santa Clause, riding in a vintage fire truck, was the final entry drawing the most attention from the young and young at heart.

Santa took up residency in his temporary home on the courthouse square after the parade and will be available until Christmas Eve. For a full list of times to visit Santa see Page 8.

Parade coordinator, Cyndi Kirby did a fantastic job organizing this years event.



Reporter photo by Brian Reddick

Santa Claus, riding in a vintage fire truck, officially brings in the Christmas season to Noblesville Sunday in the annual Noblesville Holiday Parade.

City Council pledges \$6 million

By PETE SMITH

After months of discussion, planning, debate and public input, Noblesville finalized the funding that will make the dream of Federal Hill Park a reality.

The new park is planned for 6.4 acres on the west side of the White River in downtown Noblesville, just north of Riverview Hospital between S.R. 32 and Logan St.

Mayor John Ditslear has said he envisions the park as a new gateway to downtown that will spur economic development and provide visitors with a "wow factor."

The city would spend \$6 million in TIF funding to create

a park with plenty of parking, an amphitheater, an events field that could one day become home to the city farmers market, a splash pad and playground, a restroom and an outdoor ice skating rink.

Noblesville Parks and Recreation Director Brandon Bennett said the next step is to re-engage the architects and conclude the planning stage. If everything goes according to plan he would like for construction to begin in the spring and possibly conclude by the end of 2015.

"We're excited because this is going to be something that's great for the community," Bennett said.

The park's creation is something that local parks officials have worked toward for a long time.

Longtime park board member Pat Reed, who according to Bennett will retire from the board after the Dec. 5 meeting, was so excited that he gave city attorney Mike Howard a thumbs up after the council passed a funding ordinance Tuesday night.

But the vote was close and only passed by a 4-3 margin.

City councilors Brian Ayer, Stephen Wood and Rick Taylor all voted against the funding citing common concerns about the risk of building in a floodplain and the high price tag of

the project—which could increase further because the city still has two parcels of land to acquire using money that would be in addition to the approved \$6 million.

But the prospect of economic growth carried the day.

"This truly is a very valuable economic development tool," said city councilor Roy Johnson, who said he didn't want to see the property just lie there and rust.

City councilor Jeff Zeckel said he thinks that by exploring sponsorships and naming rights, the city will see greater returns on its investment.

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Commissioner Heirbrandt to address Sheridan Chamber

Hamilton County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt will address the Sheridan Chamber at its luncheon on Dec. 4. Commissioner Heirbrandt will review Hamilton County's 2014 accomplishments and touch on issues and opportunities facing the county in the coming year.

The address will be part of the Chamber's Holiday Luncheon which will include a performance by the Sheridan High School choir, a buffet lunch and a bottle auction to raise funds for the community's local toy drive.

"Throughout the year the Chamber hosts monthly luncheons that address concerns or provide information to the local business community. Commissioner Heirbrandt's update will highlight the importance of the relationships between communities," said Kimberly Coveney, Executive Director of the Sheridan Chamber of Commerce. "The Sheridan community is affected by decisions made by the government entities with which we cooperate. It's important for the local business community to be informed about the decisions being undertaken on their behalf by our county representatives."

The Chamber's holiday luncheon will be held on Thursday, Dec. 4 at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. Sixth St., Sheridan. The choir performance will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m.

The public is invited to attend. Cost for the lunch is \$14 for members of the Sheridan Chamber of Commerce, \$18 for guests. Or arrive after the meal at noon to hear Commissioner Heirbrandt's presentation free of charge.

Reservations for the luncheon are required by 10 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 1. To make a reservation for the holiday meal, please contact the Sheridan Chamber of Commerce office at 317-758-1311 or by email at chambermail@sheridanchamber.org. Credit card reservations are available online at the Chamber's website, www.sheridanchamber.org/calendar.

The Sheridan Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to creating and sustaining an environment where business can begin, grow and thrive. We advocate on issues that affect the local business community, serve as a resource on topics that will help businesses grow and operate more efficiently, and offer marketing and networking opportunities to our members.

Historical Society conducts Open House

By RICHIE HALL

The holiday season always seem to stir nostalgic feelings in people.

If that nostalgia turns into an interest in history, then the Hamilton County Historical Society is waiting for a visit. The HCHS is located at 810 Conner St., in a legitimately historic building: It was once the Sheriff's Residence and Jail.

The Historical Society is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. But on Saturday evening, the building opened its doors for a first-ever open house.

Museum director Diane Nevitt said that the society is hoping it becomes an annual holiday tradition.

"We've had a very busy day for our open house," said museum director Diane Nevitt. "I'm very pleased."

Cookies and beverages were served at the open house, and of course guests got a chance to look through the society's building and all of the exhibits and memorabilia that it had to offer.

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Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Robin Ward, Katie Murray, president Dottie Young and Tom Wire chat during the Hamilton County Historical Society's Open House, which took place Saturday evening. This was the first year for the society to conduct an Open House.

Cook, Grand Marshal for Cicero Christmas Parade

Long-time northern Hamilton County resident and former Hamilton Heights Superintendent, Tony Cook, has been selected to serve at this year's Grand Marshal of the Cicero Kiwanis Christmas Parade. Cook, who grew up in Arcadia, Indiana, was among the first freshman class to attend Hamilton Heights High School in 1965. During his more than four decades of service in education he served in various roles including coach, teacher, principal and superintendent. His love for the community in which he calls home has been demonstrated through a lifetime of service and leadership to help make northern Hamilton County a better place to live, work and play.

"I am so excited, humbled, and appreciative to be named the Grand Marshal of the Christmas Parade," said Tony Cook of the honor. "I love this community and hope to dedicate the rest of my life continuing to contribute to making the environment of our community the on-going rewarding and enriching experience that it is."

"When I was thinking about the type of person I would be proud to recommend to serve as this year's Grand Marshal, Tony Cook immediately came to mind," said Rusty Miller, long-time Cicero Kiwanis member and Chairman for the Cicero Kiwanis Christmas parade. "Tony has done wonders for our school and our kids."

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Obituaries

Eileen Louise (Edie) Haimes

November 15, 1929 - November 22, 2014

Eileen Louise (Edie) Haimes, age 85, of Plainfield, Indiana (formerly of Sheridan, Indiana), passed away on Saturday morning, November 22, 2014, at IU Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. Eileen was born on November 15, 1929 in Crawfordsville, Indiana, the daughter of the late Willis Roy and Martha Elizabeth (Shannon) Edie. Eileen was a graduate of Sheridan High School. Eileen retired after 40 years as the bookkeeper for Haimes Insurance. On August 8, 1948, Eileen married Max S. Haimes. Eileen is survived, husband Max; 2 daughters, Beverly (the late Gene) Grinstead of Sheridan, Sharon (Steve) Natenberg of Houston, Texas; 3 sons; Kyler (Laura) Haimes of Indianapolis, Tyler Haimes of Indianapolis, and Rodney J. Haimes of Plainfield; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, John C. Edie.

Services were held on Wednesday, November 26, 2014 at the Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan, Indiana, with visitation prior to the time of service. Pastor Carol Fritz will officiate. Burial followed at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan.

Robert Duane Smith

May 29, 1924 - November 23, 2014



Robert Duane Smith, age 90, of Westfield, passed away on Sunday evening, November 23, 2014, at Wellbrooke of Westfield. Robert was born on May 29, 1924 in Attica, Indiana to the late Ray and Mary Smith. Robert was a 1942 graduate of Attica consolidated H.S. Robert grew up on the family farm, helping to instill a lifelong work ethic and a love for the outdoors, a sense of community and a love for his family. After High School, Robert proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War. Robert worked as a Service Technician for Sears and Roebuck, retiring after over 40 years of service with the company. He was a member of Northside Christian Church, where he served as a deacon for many years. Robert was an avid bowler, and member of the Church League, as well as an avid outdoorsman, hunting and fishing whenever he got the chance.

Robert married the love of his life, O. Ruth (Edwards) Smith in 1951. She preceded him in death in 2014.

Robert is survived by his 3 sons, Andy Ray Smith of Indianapolis, Greg W. Smith of Westfield and Ron (Teresa) Reeves of Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Ruth, and 2 brothers, Ray William Smith and George Keith Smith.

Private family services are being held.

Kercheval Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Joseph Edward Dunn

April 22, 1947 - November 23, 2014

Joseph Edward Dunn, age 67, of Sheridan, passed away surrounded by his family on Sunday afternoon, November 23, 2014, at St. Vincent's hospital in Indianapolis. Joseph was born in Seattle, Washington on April 22, 1947 to the late Edward George and Alvie Irene (Wilson) Dunn. Throughout his life, Joseph worked as a machinist for a number of manufacturing companies, including Biddle Manufacturing in Sheridan, Mitchell and Scott, before finally retiring as a machinist with Rexnord (formerly Link Belt). Joseph was a dedicated family man, and loved spending every moment he could with his children and grandchildren.

Joseph is survived by his wife, Judith Ann Barker-Trobaugh Dunn, whom he married in 1971; his 2 sons, Joseph P. (Elizabeth) Dunn of Sheridan and John E. (Navy) of San Jose, California; his daughter, Mary Ann Thomas of Ekin; 3 grandchildren, Kathryn H. Thomas, Lillian E. Dunn and Jacqueline R. Dunn; and his beloved dogs, Dio and Benny.

Services were held on Friday, November 28, 2014, at the Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan, Indiana, with visitation prior to the time of service. Father Logsdon officiated.

Ashley Marie May

July 18, 1996 - November 26, 2014



Ashley Marie May, 18, of Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, November 26, 2014 at Riverview Health. Born on July 18, 1996, in Indianapolis, Indiana, she was the beloved daughter of Vance and Sherrill (Irving) May.

Ashley was a Senior at Indiana Virtual School, and upon graduation, was planning on attending college to go into the field of Social Work. All of the people who knew Ashley knew of the great blessings the Lord bestowed upon her. Her unwavering humbleness, great depths of empathy, and her ability to find the good in everyone was truly a gift to all of us from God. May she find peace and love with Christ in Heaven, she has gone Home.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her brothers, Alec & Ian May; uncles, Guy (Kim) Irving and George (Melissa) Irving; cousins, Kaitlyn, Grayson, Meredith, and Sydney.

Ashley is preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, George & June Irving; and paternal grandparents, V. Arthur & Eileen May.

A memorial service will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville, with visitation beginning at 5:00 pm until the time of service. Pastor Rob Schloemer will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 1721 Pleasant Street, Suite B, Noblesville, IN 46060.

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Erwin C. Cline

July 16, 1947 - November 24, 2014



Erwin C. Cline, 67, of Indianapolis, passed away on Monday, November 24, 2014 at Community Hospital North in Indianapolis. He was born on July 16, 1947 to Clarence and Garnet (Grizzell) Cline in Covington, Kentucky. His parents preceded him in death.

Erv proudly served his country in the United States Navy, and worked as a sprinkler fitter for Koorsen Fire & Security. He was a member of Indian Lake Country Club, was an avid golfer and enjoyed hockey. For many years, Erv coached baseball for Indianapolis Bel-East Little League, and also coached youth hockey.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Susan Cline; daughter, Terri (Brian) Boles; daughter, Traci (John) Campbell; son, Travis (Heidi) Cline; brother, James Cline; seven grandchildren, Tiffani Boles, Taylor Boles, Jessica Campbell, Mackenzie Senour, Jennifer Campbell, Bailey Boles, and Conner Cline; and one great-grandchild, Owen Boles.

A Memorial Visitation was held on Saturday, November 29, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, Fishers.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO BOX 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Jeffrey Lee Sisson

May 2, 1953 - November 22, 2014



Jeffrey Lee Sisson, 61, of Fishers, passed away on Saturday, November 22, 2014 at home with his family. He was born on May 2, 1953 to Charles and Ivalou (Stevenson) Sisson in Noblesville, Indiana. His father precedes him in death.

Jeff was a master carpenter, self-employed in the Hamilton County area. He was a graduate of Hamilton Southeastern High School and attended Christ the Savior Lutheran Church in Fishers. He was a musician, a competitive and recreational marksman, and very much enjoyed the outdoors. Jeff was a beloved husband, father, and grandfather.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Linda Sisson; daughters, Melissa (Steve) Clos and Crystal McKenna; son, Parker Sisson; sisters, Teresa (Doug) McClure and Jo (Steve) Karmele; five grandchildren; and several nieces & nephews.

Visitation was Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary in Fishers. Services were held on Wednesday, November 26, 2014, at Christ the Savior Lutheran Church in Fishers, with Pastor Jim Stuck officiating, with an additional visitation immediately prior to the service at the church. Burial was at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

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Rosezella (Huffman) Brooks

July 24, 1931 - November 22, 2014



Rosezella (Huffman) Brooks, 83, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, November 22, 2014 at her home. She was born on July 24, 1931 to Bennie Earl and Lida M. (Mortimore) Huffman in Noblesville, Indiana.

Rosezella married Homer R. Brooks who preceded her in death on November 15, 2006. She is fondly remembered as Rosie who worked at Hayden Drugs, where she served her homemade soups, sandwiches and pies, along with a smile for all.

She is survived by her three children, Bruce (Mary H.) Brooks of Noblesville, Michael (Mary E.) Brooks of Atlanta, and Susan (Tom) Eisman of Atlanta. Also surviving are her eight grandchildren of whom she was quite proud, Chad (Chanda) Brooks, Michael (Cathy) Brooks, Trent Brooks, Kelly (Jon) Williams, Amy (Marc) Crandall, Matthew Eisman, Luke (Candice) Eisman, Lindsey Brooks; and nine great-grandchildren. She leaves behind many nieces & nephews who loved her, and a special dog named Sally.

Services were held on Monday, December 1, 2014, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center in Noblesville, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating. Visitation was Sunday, November 30, 2014 at the funeral home. Burial was at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Doug Waugh

April 22, 1957 - November 27, 2014

Doug Waugh, 57, of Noblesville, passed away at home on Thursday, November 27, 2014 surrounded by his loving family. He was born on April 22, 1957 to William "Bill" and Bernona (Petty) Waugh in Noblesville, Indiana. His father precedes him in death.

A 1976 graduate of Hamilton Heights High School, Doug went on and received his Associates degree from Ivy Technical College. He worked as a general manager for Tuttle Aluminum and Bronze for 36 years. He attended Northview Church in Carmel and was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Indianapolis. Doug enjoyed being a co-pilot and loved flying and traveling.

He is survived by his loving wife of 31 years, Carol Waugh; mother, Bernona Waugh; daughters, Audrey (Matthew) Spencer and Grace Waugh; sister, Joyce Scott; brother, Ken Waugh; father & mother-in-law, Rolland & Sandra Perry; brothers & sisters-in law, Michael (Lisa) Perry, Lisa Maroon, Richard (Angelina) Perry, and Denise Perry.

Visitation was held from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Monday, December 1, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary in Fishers. Services will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, at the funeral home with an additional one hour visitation beginning at 10:00 am until the time of service. Pastor Doug Kizer will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Brain Tumor Association, 8550 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Suite 550, Chicago, IL 60631 or online at <http://www.abta.org>.

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Martha Jean Sinders

April 28, 1930 - November 25, 2014

Martha Jean Sinders, 84, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at her home. She was born on April 28, 1930 to William F. and Ina Pearl(Welchel) Coverdale in Fortville, Indiana.



Martha was a homemaker and a member of the First Christian Church of Noblesville for 61 years. Early on, Martha had worked for YWCA, and in Insurance and Titling for some time. She volunteered at Riverview Health for 23 years, was a member of Profit & Pleasure Home Economics Club, and attended the same echure club for over 50 years. Martha loved being outdoors, camping and traveling were a passion of hers. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her children, Brian (Brenda) Sinders, Gregg (Karen) Sinders, Barbara (Buck) Green, and Brad (Beverly) Sinders; grandchildren, Andrea, Andrew, Amy, Amanda, Anthony, Joshua, Jamie, Julie, Abigail, Anna, and Aaron; great-grandchildren, Samuel, Sarah, Caitlin, Declan, Mackenna, Shelby, Cody, Sydney, Aubrey, Weston, and Elizabeth.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, James N. Sinders in 1995; granddaughter, Ashley Sinders; siblings, Russell and Robert Coverdale, Gertrude Lewis, and Anna Pearl Riley.

Services were held on Saturday, November 29, 2014, at First Christian Church of Noblesville in Noblesville, with an additional visitation prior to the time of service. Pastor John Davis and Chaplain Derek Hansen officiated. Visitation was Friday, November 28, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Noblesville. Burial was at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Christian Church of Noblesville 16377 Herriman Blvd. Noblesville, IN 46060 or to Riverview Hospital Memorial Foundation PO Box 220 Noblesville, IN 46061.

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The HCHS has another major event coming up during the holidays: Its annual dinner. The society always conducts its dinner on the first Sunday of every December; this year's dinner is scheduled for 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7 at the First Presbyterian Church.

That date is Pearl Harbor Day - the "Day That Will Live in Infamy," when the naval base in Hawaii was attacked by the Japanese Army. The attack pulled the United States into World War II.

The dinner will feature a program called "Songs My Mother Sang: A World War II Tribute" by Indianapolis-based performer and historian Glory-June Greiff. Both of Grieff's parents served in World War II, and she reads their letters and talks about the war.

The program costs \$18 and is open to the public, but reservations are required and due by Tuesday, Dec. 2.

The Historical Society also runs the Santa House, which opens at 3 p.m. today following the Noblesville Christmas Parade. Nevitt said the HCHS coordinates the Santa House with the city and Noblesville Main Street. The Santa House will be open at various dates through Christmas Eve.

Of course, visitors are welcome at the Historical Society any time of year. For more information, call the society at 770-0775 during its regular business hours.

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Helen Elizabeth (Costomiris) Musselman

April 21, 1915 - November 26, 2014

Helen Elizabeth (Costomiris) Musselman, 99, of Noblesville, departed this life on Wednesday, November 26, 2014. Helen was born to Sam and Hazel (Venable) Costomiris on April 21, 1915 in Noblesville, Indiana. She lived in Connecticut, later Detroit, graduating from Northern High School. She attended Detroit City College (Wayne State University)



Helen met Wayne Musselman on a blind date, later marrying on September 3, 1937. They were blessed with six children, Joyce (Harry) Wiggins, Gary (Pam) Musselman, Jean (Ron) Fleming, Pat Overdorf, David Musselman, and Diana Musselman; the proud grandma of 24 grandchildren, Denise McHenry, Linda Wainscott, Louise Hennessey, Rebecca Sharp, Pamela Pritsch, Andrew Simmons, Vickie Wright, Christy Wiggins, Rob Musselman, Dawn Coverdale, Amy Hittle, Mike Musselman, Scott Fleming, Jill Fulk, Brian Dickover, Chris Dickover, Eric Beeman, Jessica Marvel,

Ashley Schultz, Cody Musselman, Kristina Flowers, Lindsay Lindenmayer, Adam Helm, and Jennifer Helm; 44 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren. Helen made Raggedy Ann & Andy Dolls or crocheted blankets for them all. Helen is also survived by many, many nieces and nephews.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband of 77 years, Wayne Musselman on June 15, 2014; two grandsons-in-laws, Vic Wainscott and Chad Hittle; one great-grandson, infant Riley Simmons; brother, Edward "Bud" Costomiris; and one sister, Georgianna Cochran.

Coming from the city and marrying a farmer, Helen learned quickly to be a farm wife. She joined Hamilton County Extension Homemakers in 1937, serving as president in 1947 & 1980, receiving the first lifetime achievement award. She was also past president of Hamilton County Extension Board, East Wayne Extension Club, Senior Citizens organization, Modern Homemakers, Wayne Township firefighters Auxiliary, Durbin Elementary PTO and organized the Hot Lunch program in Wayne Township, 75 year member of Eastern Star, County Chairman for 8 years of the National Polio Foundation, Organized Mother's March of Dimes, member of Hamilton County TB Association, Red Cross, Alternate to HC Lung Association, Hamilton Southeastern Long Range Planning Board, and Superintendent Advisory Council. Helen was a delegate to National Extension conference held in Vermont and again in Oregon. Hamilton County 4-H Council, 6 years on the Purdue CARET Board, 4-H Leader, and was a member of Clarksville Christian Church, taught adult and children's Bible School. She also volunteered at Harbour Manor, Noblesville Healthcare, Zionsville Christian Home State Committee Host-A-Hoosier. The Musselman Farm is a Hoosier Homestead having been in the family for over 100 years.

Helen received the highest state award, Sagamore of the Wabash, from the governor of Indiana for her endless commitment to serving her county and state. Helen, along with her husband, were fortunate to visit Greece and meet her father's family. Her father had immigrated to his beloved America after learning English, having money, a job, and being sponsored at the age of 18. Helen lived above his candy store and helped to raise her brother and sister upon the death of her mother at a young age.

Services will be held at 10:30 am on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville. Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at the funeral home, with an Eastern Star service beginning at 8:00 pm. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Life is a Battlefield and we CAN win

By TAMAR KNOCHEL

"They rested in the camp until they were healed." Joshua 5:8

Life is full of battles. There are some that we choose or bring upon ourselves, while others are thrust upon us unexpectedly. None-the-less, all must be fought. The book of Joshua contains a great many battles that HAD to be fought in order for the Children of Israel to claim the land that had been promised to them. War is never EASY, however, with God on your side all things are possible for those who believe. Since the Word of God has a marvelous way of bringing rest to a battle-weary soul in need of healing, let's take a walk through the pages of scripture to get



some inspiration for our own battlefields, shall we?

Joshua 8:1 & 10:8 speak words of encouragement: "Do not be afraid or discouraged." "Do not be afraid of them," the LORD said to Joshua, "for I have given you victory over them. Not a single one of them will be able to stand up to you."

A mere three verses later, the author describes how God gave Joshua the victory over that particular enemy. "The LORD destroyed them with a terrible hailstorm from heaven that continued until they reached Azekah. The hail killed more of the enemy than the Israelites killed with the sword." (Joshua 10:11) "Surely the LORD fought for Israel that day!" (Joshua 10:14)

The LORD our God is eternal. The God that promised them victory on that day is the same God that promises you victory over your enemies on this day. However, it is important to remember that the enemy looks

a bit different today than it did back then. For we battle, not against flesh and blood, but against the powers and authorities of this world. It isn't people that we fight; it's the demonic forces that hold this world in chains. And yet, just as Joshua 10:19 says, "The LORD your God has given you victory over them."

If we look at John's account of the Last Supper in chapter 14 verse 30, we find Jesus saying, "I don't have much more time to talk to you because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over Me." Satan is the ruler of this world and yet with all the power he possesses, he still has NO power over Jesus! He didn't then and he doesn't now!

In John 16:33 Jesus reminds us of the one most critical Truths in the entire Bible, HE has overcome the world! Yes, this world is full of trouble and tribulation and fear and doubt and frustration and struggle. BUT, we

can take heart and have peace and healing when we rest in the overwhelming Truth that Jesus, our Savior, has overcome all those things. And it is through Him that we too can overcome them as well!

Fear, Doubt, Uncertainty, Pride, none of them stand a chance against the LORD our God! And He WILL help us defeat them! You know how I know? In the second to last verse in the book of Jude, he writes: "Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into His glorious presence without a single fault." God *is* able to keep you from falling away from Him. Isn't that a glorious Truth for us today!?! We can rest assured in the palm of His firm hand that no one can snatch us away from His grip of True Love. Not even Fear, Doubt, Uncertainty, Pride or Satan.

Hallelujah!

Sheridan High School Band Department

By ERIC FINCHUM

The upcoming end of the semester brings in the Sheridan High School Band's winter concert! The band has gone through a change in the 2014-2015 year as Mr. Evan Cooper takes the podium as the teacher of the Sheridan High School Band.

Cooper graduated from Carmel High School and attended college at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. Before coming to Sheridan, he spent three years as teacher's assistant at Creekside Middle School. Cooper became the band teacher at Sheridan at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.

Cooper says his time here at Sheridan has been, "rewarding, but not without its challenges. It's been fun so far, and the students are doing better every day." Another question I asked Cooper was what made him want to come to Sheridan. Cooper replied, "I wanted to find a job where I could grow... where I could be full time and have more of an impact."

The band concerts this year are all themed according to how that part of the year is like. The first concert was all fast



moving pieces to represent the rush that happens in the first part of the school year. The winter concert has holiday themes, representing the holidays coming up and everyone's anticipation for them.

Sheridan's band program is a great place to learn about music and have fun. Over the summer, members of the band that are seventh grade or higher are allowed to sign up for marching band. In marching band, the young musicians play in parades and at contests. During the school year, the high school takes part in concert band and pep band. The middle school has concert band only during the school year.

The band is self-sufficient so they do a lot of fundraisers, the latest being selling holiday items. Other fundraisers include an auction at Sheridan's Harvest Moon Festival and selling Power Cards (coupon cards for restaurants and stores).

The Sheridan High School and Middle School bands will present their winter concert Tuesday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joyce Cline Auditorium at the middle school. Please join us!

Sheridan High School's student column is produced by Mrs. Linville's 10th grade English class. The column, produced weekly, is sponsored by Bragg Insurance of Sheridan.

Waiting on a woman

By JANET HART LEONARD

"Grandma Janet, today I learned about patience in my class at church." Four year old Aiden told me this while we were at Ginger's having lunch on Sunday.

He explained that it means to wait quietly.

Sunday afternoon he found himself putting it into practice. He went Christmas shopping with me, his mom, his Aunt Angie and his two cousins, Alecksa and Abby. It was a true test of patience as he stood outside of the dressing room as his girl cousins and his and his aunt and his mom, tried on clothes. He smiled and made faces in the mirror. I kept telling him that he was a good boy. And he was. He is learning to also be a good husband, as this will be something he is faced with for the rest of his life. Waiting on a woman.

Shopping has got to be one of the worst punishments for men. They don't understand shopping. If they need something they go to the store that is easiest to get in and out. They don't like looking through racks and stacks. They are fast to seek and quick to find. I know there are exceptions but I'm talking about most of the men that I know.



I am married to a very patient man. He knows what "MY" five minutes mean. If I am not interrupted by a stranger asking my opinion. If I don't run into someone I know. If I don't get a call from my mom needing something else. If I don't get a text asking me a question that involves an immediate answer...a long one.

It might take a few more minutes ...

If I see something on sale that I might need later. If I get a craving in the produce aisle for something in the dairy aisle at the back of the store where I just left. If I remember that we are almost out of coffee creamer and I want to try something new but I have to decide which one. If I want to see if the store has something that the grandmunchkins might want for Christmas. If he asks what it might be, I tell him that I don't know but I will know it if I see it.

He knows me well and loves me in spite of my extended five minutes.

I will tell you though that the best expression on any man's face is the one that I saw nine months ago as I walked into the sanctuary of the Castleton Methodist Church and there was Chuck, WAITING for me at the end of the aisle. I guess you could say that he's gotten used to waiting on me. And yes, he is still smiling.



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“Dean” of the county council leaving office

By FRED SWIFT

After 32 years of service, Meredith Carter, the "dean" of the Hamilton County Council, is leaving office next month. He did not run for re-election this year. His last meeting with the council will be December 3.

When Dr. Carter was first elected in 1982 Hamilton County was a different place. Not only has the population tripled, but county facilities and services have entered the modern age. And Meredith and his fellow councilors have had a lot to do with that.

A 50-year resident of Clay Township, he was born and raised on a farm near Cutler, Indiana, one of 14 children. He played high school basketball and was offered a scholarship to Butler University where he graduated. Later he earned a masters degree at Butler and a PhD at Ball State.

Dr. Carter's entire career has been spent in education, first as a science teacher in Lawrence Township, then 38 years with IVY Tech College where he spent his last 22 years as chancellor before retiring in 2005.

He and his wife Nellie have three adult sons and seven grandchildren. He is a member of the Greater Indianapolis Foreign Trade Commission, the Fund for Hoosier Excellence, and the Janus Board of Trustees. The Carters attend St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

During Carter's time on the County Council funding was approved for such county improvements as the Judicial Center, the vast County Corrections complex, new buildings at the fairgrounds, several new county parks, the acquisition of Executive Airport, an animal shelter and dozens of new bridges and roadway improvements.

All these projects have given the county a very different look and have been achieved without substantial increases in taxes. The council where Carter served as president several times is responsible for arranging funding of capital projects and operating budgets each year.

On December 3 at 4 p.m. fellow county officials will hold an open house for the retiring councilor. On January 1 Carter will hand over his council seat to Fred Glynn who was elected this fall.

Good job, Meredith.

City of Noblesville receives Legacy Fund grants

The City of Noblesville received two grants this week from Legacy Fund's City of Noblesville Fund—one to support a display of historic information in City Hall and one to support the work of Noblesville Sister Cities.

The City Hall display will feature information and historical highlights of significant city events that occurred during the tenure of Noblesville's mayors since 1887.

The second grant will assist Noblesville Sister Cities. Noblesville has two sister cities: Nova Prata, Brazil and Cittadella, Italy. The Noblesville Sister Cities Committee will be hosting 8-10 students between the ages 16-18 as well as chaperones, government officials, and business leaders from Italy and Brazil from July 18 - July 31, 2015. The organization has partnered with the city to work to raise funds to transport visitors to various events and activities and for supplies. The visitors will be staying in Noblesville residences.

"We are grateful to receive this funding for projects that will help residents as well as visitors from our sister cities learn more about Noblesville and its history," said Mayor John Ditslear.

The Legacy Fund, an affiliate of the Central Indiana Community Foundation, has served residents throughout Hamilton County since 1991, transforming communities including Arcadia, Fishers, Noblesville, Sheridan, Westfield - and all points in-between. The fund is committed to bringing neighbors together to address community issues and priorities, to connect donors with their charitable interests and passions, and to make the act of giving a more meaningful and effective gesture for donors.

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Elaine Stern gets a holiday kiss from Noblesville parade favorite Mark Jones during Sundays holiday parade.

Epperson is new veteran service officer

By FRED SWIFT

A new veteran service officer for Hamilton County will take the position on January 1 following retirement of Wayne Long, service officer for the past 16 years.

April Lynn Epperson was appointed by Hamilton County Commissioners at their Monday meeting. She currently is employed at Community Bank in Noblesville. She will assume her new duties on December 9 and work with Long through the end of the year.

Ms. Epperson, a resident of Noblesville, is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and has been involved in veteran assistance programs for several years. She is a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The new service officer is actually the second woman to have held the job. Ruth Laudig served the office in the 1960s.

Epperson currently serves as treasurer of the Hamilton County Veterans Organization. She has "a passion for helping veterans," according to Officer Long. She volunteers at the Indiana Soldiers Home in Lafayette and most recently was involved in a PTSD workshop at Fishers.

The veterans office is located in the County Government and Judicial Center. The service officer assists all county armed service veterans with obtaining benefits to which they may be entitled, provides for transportation to health facilities when needed, and is available for counseling with other issues a veteran may encounter.

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NHS win over Howe

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

In most high school basketball games there is a key to victory.

Noblesville’s Millers left The Mill Saturday evening with a pocket full of keys.

They left with their second consecutive victory of the season, a 65-55 decision over a good Indianapolis Howe team.

Keys?

*The defense was outstanding. Howe had scored 93 points in its season opener. Noblesville’s defense held the Hornets to half that many. Harris Brown and Brian Warren had combined to 75 points in Howe’s opener. Noblesville held Brown to 17 points on 6-of-15 shooting and held Warren to 16 points on a 6-of-16 night.

*Noblesville’s ball-handling and passing was strong, just as it had been earlier in the week in a victory over Northwest. This time the Millers came away with 14 assists, including eight by Sean Wilson and five from John Kiser.

*The rebounding was solid. Led by seven boards from Wilson, Noblesville outboarded the Hornets 23-12.

*Noblesville’s shooting would have knocked your eyes out. The Millers hit 20-of-35 total shot and were 11-of-15 from 3-point territory.

It doubtful if new coach Brian McCauley, so early in the season, could expect any better team victory than the one the Millers turned in last evening.

“We played a great game against a high-level team,” said McCauley. “It was a great team win.”

McCauley said an example of that was the overall game turned in by Wilson. The 5-10 senior scored nine points, collected seven rebounds and dished out eight assists.

“Our kids were efficient with their shooting,” McCauley said. “(Jake) Mills had another good night shooting the ball.”

Mills, who had six 3-pointers in Noblesville’s opener, nailed 5-of-6 against Howe and led all scorers with 20 points.

Also scoring in double figures were John Kiser with 17 points and Joey Brewer with 13. Kiser also pulled five rebounds. Brewer hit 4-of-5 shots from 3-point range. “Kiser showed his extreme toughness,” said McCauley. “Brewer hit some key 3-pointers.”

Although Noblesville won by 10 points, it wasn’t an easy win for the Millers. They led by only four point at halftime, that advantage coming on a 3-pointer by Brewer.

In the second quarter, Howe took the lead at 25-24. Mills got the lead back for the Millers on a four-point play, a 3-pointer and a free throw. Wilson in the second half also contributed a four-pointer.

Noblesville, leading 51-43 entering the fourth quarter, opened the period with buckets from Kiser and McGwire Plumer and a 3-pointer by Brewer.

Noblesville now is idle until next Friday evening when in The Mill the Millers will open their Hoosier Conference game, against Fishers.

Lady Millers still rolling

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

There are times during this remarkable season for Noblesville’s Lady Millers that the awesome numbers put on the board by the “Twin Bombers,” juniors Alexis Shannon and Katelyn O’Reilly, sort of hide contributions by others.

Take center Erin Wood, for example.

In Saturday’s 90-27 Hoosier Crossroads Conference victory over Avon, Shannon scored 26 points and O’Reilly powered in 22.

Wood scored eight points.

“Erin’s stats don’t tell how valuable she is to the team,” said Noblesville coach Donna Keck. “She does so many different things that do not show in the stat column.”

One of those things is Wood being on the start of the torrid Noblesville press. When the 6-2 Wood, or 6-2 freshman Emily Kiser, are guarding the in-bounds pass, it’s tough for the opponents to even get started.

Wood also yanked four rebounds and she had one steal. One steal, but at least four or five deflections which enabled other teammates to get steals.

Noblesville had 21 steals in the game and Avon had 31 turnovers. O’Reilly led in steals

with five. Brooke Herron had four. Cori Cain and Shannon each collected three.

The game was, as expected, a blowout. Noblesville led 29-4 after one quarter and 53-13 at halftime.

It easily could have been Noblesville’s third 100-point-plus performance of the season. Keck called off the dogs (the starters) with the Millers leading 83-22 and still 4:41 to play.

O’Reilly finished with a double-double, adding a dozen rebounds to her 22-point afternoon.

Noblesville outrebounded Avon 44-22.

The Millers hit a sizzling 37-of-69 shots from the field; canned 11-of-14 free throws and also tossed in 5-of-13 attempts from 3-point range.

With the victory, Noblesville moved to 7-0 on the year and to 2-0 in the conference, with a tough stretch of road games coming up. Before returning to the Mill, Noblesville will play at North Central, Fishers and Anderson. North Central and Fishers will be in the same sectional as the Millers. Fishers is a huge early season conference game.

"It really started with our defense, just being able to turn them over and get them to take quick shots," said Keck.

Noblesville did that early, as Kayleigh Herron scored off a quick steal to put the Millers ahead 4-2. It was technically the game winner, since Noblesville didn't trail after that. Shannon scored eight points in that first period.

Shannon added another 10 points in the second period, which saw the Millers increase their lead slowly. The 'Hounds wouldn't go away, though, as a quick 6-0 run got them back to within 41-35. Andi Kwasniewski started that off with a 3-pointer.

But Becca Bergman pushed the Noblesville lead back up with a 3-pointer of her own, and the Millers led 44-37 at halftime, with Olivia Christy making a short jumper for Carmel.

Noblesville took control in the third quarter, with a huge 12-0 run. Six of those points came from three baskets off of steals. Bergman got one of those baskets; she had nine points in the quarter.

The Millers didn't let up in the fourth period, Audrey Defoe scored four points of a 7-0 run, and O'Reilly hit two free throws



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Katelyn O'Reilly scored 19 points against Carmel and 22 points against Avon during Noblesville's girls games this week.

to cap an 8-1 NHS run, plus get the Millers over the 100-point mark. Shannon scored nine points in the quarter, leading all scorers with 33 points.

"We rebounded really well," said Keck. "Erin Wood, Katelyn O'Reilly, Alexis Shannon, those kids just rebounded really well and got the ball out quickly to Becca. Becca did a great job of keeping her head up."

Westfield stumbles at “The Rock”

By RICHIE HALL
Reporter Spots Editor

Westfield ran into a tough Kokomo team on Saturday night, with the Wildkats beating the Shamrocks 64-51 at The Rock.

It was the first home game of the season for Westfield, but it wasn't a happy homecoming. Kokomo jumped right out to an 11-5 lead after the first quarter. Still, Westfield was able to keep within shouting distance at halftime, with the Wildkat lead only 27-20.

The 'Rocks began the second half with Charlie Warner draining a jump shot, and Spencer Tebbe converted a three-point play, getting the 'Rocks within 27-25. Another sudden five-point burst gave Westfield the lead at 32-30 - Ian Kristensen tied the game with a 3-pointer, and Robbie Lynch made a layin.

The Shamrocks led again at 34-32, but Kokomo then went on an 11-0 run that ate up the remainder of the third quarter and also took part of the fourth period as well. A 3-pointer by Kokomo's Brevin Beard made the score 43-34. The Wildkats' lead

swelled to as much as 16 points during the fourth quarter.

"We could not keep them in front of us defensively," said WHS coach Eric Rauch. "Just a couple rebounds here, we weren't physical enough blocking out."

Rauch also said that turnovers hurt the Shamrocks, as some of them resulted in "easy points." The coach said that was one of the keys to the game, to control the ball and the tempo of the game.

"I didn't mind us running, but I didn't want them in the open court," said Rauch. "And they are so good in the open court. They know how to finish."

Millers take first at Triton Invite

The Noblesville wrestling team won the Triton Central Invitational Saturday.

The Millers finished 4-1 in their five dual meets at the invite. Noblesville beat Shelbyville 84-0, Delta 55-24, Warren Central junior varsity 46-22, then fell to Decatur Central 45-36. The Millers rebounded to defeat Triton Central 58-24 and claim first place.

Noblesville had four individual champions: Jack Wishart at 126 pounds, Matt Smith at 138, Stephen Kitko at 145 and Derek Noon at 152.

Sheridan is edged, 71-69

When Coach Cory Dunn left Sheridan following last season for a new job at Rossville, Dunn left behind a trio of Blackhawks who on Wednesday evening nearly nailed their former coach.

Nearly! Rossville pulled out a 71-69 thriller at Rossville.

Brock Kitchel, Jacob Chesney and Chris Roberts combed for 53 points to lead the Blackhawks.

“I couldn’t be more pleased with these kids; I am so proud of them,” said new Sheridan coach Chris Schrank. “We had a chance to win at the end, and that’s all a coach can ask.”

Chesney, who scored 14 points, had a shot at the end which rolled off the hoop. He had hit a layup with 30 seconds remaining to tie the game at 69-69.

With 6.5 seconds remaining, Sheridan’s Elliot Barker tried to take a charge and

instead was called for a block. Rossville hit both free throws.

“We still had time,” said Schrank. “Chesney’s shot just rolled out. I know he really was upset. He wanted to win.”

Kitchel led Sheridan in scoring with 24 points and Roberts finished with 15.

“Kitchel had a great night,” Schrank said. “He shot 12 free throws and hit 11 of them.

“I watched Brock last summer and I saw his potential. He showed it in this game,” said Schrank.. “Along with scoring 24 points, he also had 10 rebounds.”

Sheridan hit 23-of-43 shots from the field and was 3-of-5 shooting 3-pointers. The problem was, except for Kitchel, hitting free throws. The Blackhawks were 20-of-35 at the line.

Sheridan matmen defeat Manual

Sheridan opened its wrestling season with a 52-18 win over Manual. Winners for the Blackhawks were Austin Basler at 113, forfeit; Corrin Whitlow a 126, forfeit; Justin Delph at 132, forfeit; Joey Callahan at 138, major decision; Colin Ellis at 152, fall in 1:08; Austin Dunbar at 160, fall in 2:21; Austin Hoover at 182, forfeit; Cameron Powell at 195, forfeit; Jacob Eidson at 220 forfeit; and David Powers at 285, fall in 1:41.

Coach Mike McCarthy’s Blackhawks will return to action on Dec. 3, wrestling at Carroll.

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Weatherford leads Huskies to 2-0 start

Hamilton Heights has opened the 2014-15 boys basketball season with a pair of road victories.

The latest win for Coach Chad Ballenger's club came Saturday evening in a 57-47 decision at Mt. Vernon.

Grant Weatherford poured in 17 points, dished out six assists and collected four steals while leading the Huskies to victory.

Also scoring in double figures was Jadon White with 14 points. White hit 2-of-6 attempts from 3-point territory on a night the Huskies, as a team, were 2-of-16.

Hunter Crist led Heights on the boards with five rebounds and Sterling Weatherford collected four.

The Huskies trailed 12-11 after one quarter, but then went on an 18-9 run in the second period to carry a 29-21 advantage to halftime.

Heights finished the game with a 16-11 fourth quarter scoring edge.

The Huskies will play their first home game next Friday when Guerin Catholic comes calling. On Saturday, Heights will take on Doug Mitchell and his North Central Panthers in a play-back game at Heights Middle School, where Mitchell played as a high school star.

The Huskies rolled over host Lebanon, 76-36, in a season opening contest Wednesday evening.

Junior guard Hunter Crist poured in 26 points and Grant Weatherford (13) and Ian Nicholson (10) also scored in double figures as Heights rolled to an easy victory.

The Huskies settled the issue in the first half, leading 17-8 after one period and then outscoring Lebanon 23-5 in the second frame to take a 40-13 advantage to halftime.

Crist was on fire, hitting 8-of-16 shots. He was 5-of-12 from 3-point range.

"Hunter had a great first half and did not force anything in the second half," said Ballenger.

Weatherford finished 6-of-9 from the field and Nicholson stuck in 4-of-6 tries. Nicholson was 2-of-4 shooting 3-pointers.

Eight different Huskies scored. Jadon White was next in line with nine points.

Crist also led the rebounding with six boards and Sterling Weatherford Caymn Lutz each pulled five.

Grant Weatherford dished out five assists and Sterling Weatherford led in steals with three.

The Huskies hit 29-of-56 shots, including a 9-for-23 night from long range. They were 9-of-11 at the line and they turned over the basketball just seven times.

Ballenger called it a great team win. "We played extremely well tonight," said the coach. "It was a great team win that everyone contributed to."

Heights played without senior Garrett Paull.



Reporter photo by Brian Reddick

Heights' Grant Weatherford scored 17 points, 6 assists and 4 steals Saturday against Mt. Vernon leading the Huskies to a 57-47 win.

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Young Lady Huskies no match at Mt. Vernon

A young Hamilton Height basketball team was no match for Mt. Vernon as the Lady Huskies dropped a 73-39 decision at Mt. Vernon Saturday evening.

Heights fell behind 23-10 in the first quarter and trailed 45-20 at halftime.

The Huskies went 14-of-37 from the field and 2-of-9 from 3-point range.

Freshman Kayla Kirtley led Heights in scoring with 12 points.

Heights' swimmers win opener

The Hamilton Heights girls swim team won its first meet of the season Tuesday, beating Anderson 95-85. "Our swimmers had several great races and our Athlete of the meet is Lauren Sears," said Huskies coach Amy Lustig. "Lauren finished first in both the 100 freestyle and the 100 backstroke. Our 200 free-style relay had a strong first place finish which Lauren was the lead leg. Other great races came from Mariah Oxley winning the 50 freestyle and coming in close second in the 100 butterfly. Micah Kunzer made her first appearance on the varsity team and surprised us all with a 4th place finish in the 50 freestyle."

Diving: Brooke Schultz 357.60, Caitlin Coy 156.40
50 freestyle: Mariah Oxley 28.37, Brianna Schildmeier 30.99, Micah Kunzer 32.12.
100 freestyle: Lauren Sears 1:00.61, Mady Rednour 1:10.39, Britt Borger 1:15.07.
100 backstroke: Sears 1:10.18, Allison Osborne 1:13.89, Tiffany Williams 1:18.33
100 butterfly: Oxley 1:12.03, Madi Hasler 1:33.31
100 breaststroke: Lucy Uhrick 1:23.69, Borger 1:25.88, Rednour 1:33.96
200 freestyle: Bethany Ireland 2:16.85, Osborne 2:20.09
200 individual medley: Uhrick 2:34.39, Hasler 2:56.20
500 freestyle: Ireland 6:01.70, Sarah Mangas 7:41.98

Royals triumph over Miller swimmers

The Noblesville swim team competed in its home opener Tuesday, falling to Hamilton Southeastern in both the girls and the boys meets.

The Royal girls beat the Millers 125-58, with Amy Hayes winning the breaststroke. In the boys meet, HSE won 106-79. Miller boys winners were Nathan Olberding (200 free), Isaac Johnston (100 free), Jake Seyfried (backstroke) and Luke Conner (breaststroke).

Girls 200 Yard Medley Relay:
2. Noblesville High School 'A' (Roberts, Leigh A 11, Hayes, Amy M 11, Akers, Alexa L 10, Cripe, Samantha K 10), 1:57.61.
Boys 200 Yard Medley Relay:
2. Noblesville High School 'A' (Seyfried, Jake G 11, Conner, Luke P 12, Haflich, Kyle W 09, May, Alec C 12), 1:43.49.
Girls 200 Yard Freestyle:
2. Parrish, Taylor M, (N), 2:03.20; 4. Yeakey, Anne Marie M, (N), 2:05.54; Holtkamp, Kate E, (N), 2:06.66.
Boys 200 Yard Freestyle:
1. Olberding, Nathan C, (N), 1:49.11; 3. Johnston, Isaac, (N), 1:55.34; 4. Haflich, Kyle W, (N), 1:57.02.

2:01.71.
Girls 200 Yard IM:
4. Kaess, Julie E, (N), 2:21.05; 5. Cripe, Samantha K, (N), 2:22.57; 6. McBride, Brianna G, (N), 2:25.08.
Boys 200 Yard IM:
3. Conner, Luke P, (N), 2:04.29; 5. Ogle, Justin L, (N), 2:12.29; 6. Kinkead, Collin E, (N), 2:15.01.
Girls 50 Yard Freestyle:
2. Conley, Alyssa M, (N), 24.73; 5. McComb, Caylee A, (N), 26.81; 6. Brake, Delaney C, (N), 26.95.
Boys 50 Yard Freestyle:
3. May, Alec C, (N), 23.12; 5. Jeong, Dane, (N), 24.63; 6. May, Ian A, (N), 25.18.
Boys 1 mtr Diving:
2. Medley, Ian, (N), 193.50; 4. Skaggs, Richard, (N), 142.75.
Girls 100 Yard Butterfly:
2. Akers, Alexa L, (N), 1:00.56; 5. Griffin, Josie A, (N), 1:07.37; 6. McBride, Maura J, (N), 1:10.87.
Boys 100 Yard Butterfly:
2. Olberding, Nathan C, (N), 55.89; 3. Haflich, Kyle W, (N), 58.51; 6. Janson, Jakob D, (N), 1:02.57.
Girls 100 Yard Freestyle:

3. Conley, Alyssa M, (N), 55.21; 5. Christophersen, Emily R, (N), 55.77; 6. Carmosino, Sophie J, (N), 59.40.
Boys 100 Yard Freestyle:
1. Johnston, Isaac, (N), 51.82; 4. May, Alec C, (N), 52.73; 5. Jeong, Dane, (N), 54.08.
Girls 500 Yard Freestyle:
2. Parrish, Taylor M, (N), 5:22.37; 3. Kaess, Julie E, (N), 5:33.57; 4. Holtkamp, Kate E, (N), 5:36.19.
Boys 500 Yard Freestyle:
2. Sarabyn, Drew B, (N), 5:05.00; 3. Seyfried, Jake G, (N), 5:12.27; 6. Helms, Aaron D, (N), 5:27.87.
Girls 200 Yard Freestyle Relay:
2. Noblesville High School 'A' (Christophersen, Emily R 12, Cripe, Samantha K 10, Kaess, Julie E 10, Conley, Alyssa M 09), 1:43.86.
Boys 200 Yard Freestyle Relay:
2. Noblesville High School 'A' (Olberding, Nathan C 12, Johnston, Isaac 10, Ogle, Justin L 11, May, Alec C 12), 1:32.92.
Girls 100 Yard Backstroke:

4. Akers, Alexa L, (N), 1:05.74; 5. McBride, Brianna G, (N), 1:06.18; 6. Yeakey, Anne Marie M, (N), 1:08.93.
Boys 100 Yard Backstroke:
1. Seyfried, Jake G, (N), 56.91; 3. Kinkead, Collin E, (N), 1:01.39; 6. Kozicki, JD D, (N), 1:08.35.
Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke:
1. Hayes, Amy M, (N), 1:11.31; 3. Christophersen, Emily R, (N), 1:13.03; 4. Cripe, Samantha K, (N), 1:13.72.
Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke:
1. Conner, Luke P, (N), 1:01.01; 3. Ogle, Justin L, (N), 1:03.12; 5. Sarabyn, Drew B, (N), 1:08.08.
Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay:
2. Noblesville High School 'A' (Conley, Alyssa M 09, Kaess, Julie E 10, Parrish, Taylor M 12, Christophersen, Emily R 12), 3:45.53.
Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay:
2. Noblesville High School 'A' (Olberding, Nathan C 12, Seyfried, Jake G 11, Ogle, Justin L 11, Johnston, Isaac 10), 3:29.72.



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Noblesville's Jake Seyfried won the boys' backstroke event at the Millers' dual swim meet with Hamilton Southeastern on Tuesday.



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I thought what a perfect Marshal for this year’s parade. I presented it to the members and they all agreed!”

The Cicero Kiwanis kindly invites the community to participate and attend its hometown Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 6 beginning at 1 p.m. The parade begins and ends at the Hamilton North Public Library located at 209 W. Brinton Street in Cicero. Local businesses, organizations and individuals are encouraged to be a part of the parade. There is no entry fee and parade participants are asked to be at the library by 12:15 p.m. For details on parade participation contact Rusty Miller at millerrc5@comcast.net. The parade route leaves the Library going north on Washington St. to Jackson St., back south on Pearl St. and returns to the Library. Children along the route are encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy to fill Santa’s sleigh for those in Northern Hamilton County that are less fortunate.

In addition, the 3rd Annual Holiday Marketplace will take place at the Hamilton North Public Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Marketplace will have holiday gifts and décor from numerous vendors for show and sale, face painting, holiday family portraits, Friends of the Library Book Sale, Hot Chocolate & Bake Sale and children can visit with Santa after the parade. The Holiday Marketplace is made possible through a collaborative effort of the Hamilton North Public Library, Cicero Kiwanis and Hamilton Heights Girl Scouts.

The Cicero Kiwanis along with the Cicero Fire Department will again be co-hosting the toy drive for the King’s Treasure Christmas Party. This special holiday event is designed for northern Hamilton County children who may not otherwise receive any present for Christmas. Members of the Cicero Fire Department have set out donation boxes at businesses throughout the community to collect unwrapped gifts and toys now through December 12. Other donations and money to help support this event for children in northern Hamilton County is greatly appreciated. Checks may be made payable to



Stephan Koch creates one of the many ice sculptures that line the historic courthouse square in downtown Noblesville.

Reporter photo by Jeff Jellison

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But it was the prospect of luring new businesses that appeared to have the most sway. Economic Development Director Judi Johnson prepared an economic impact analysis for the councilors in which she proposed that construction of the park could possibly lure two new restaurants and two new medical or IT office buildings to adjacent land.

The city currently has no definite prospects to fulfill that forecast, according to Ditslear and Johnson.

And while the economic impact of a park is difficult to calculate or justify, officials acknowledge that any adjoining economic development would likely occur west of the new park or to the south where Riverview Hospital maintains a parking lot.

Some city councilors said that they had seen a rendering of a possible underground parking garage that Riverview officials were considering as a replacement for the surface parking lots, but no Riverview officials were available for comment by press time.

But if the issue were necessary for redeveloping those parking lots, Ditslear said he would be open to a public-private partnership to help facilitate a new Riverview parking garage.

“I know that Federal Hill is going to stir economic development,” he said.

No tax increase or budget cuts would be needed to pay for the park’s construction. The city already purchased land for about \$900,000 and would take out a loan for everything else.

City Attorney Mike Howard said that excess revenue in the city’s Logan Street TIF District would be used to pay down a 25-year bond that would have annual payments of about \$400,000.

TIF funds are essentially business property taxes that are made available to repay loans based on a forecast increase in assessed values. The theory is that as commercial property becomes more valuable, taxes increase, and it behooves city leaders to borrow against future revenues to make necessary infrastructure upgrades.

City Planning Director Christy Langley said she envisions the park also playing a critical role in the city’s future.

By posing the question: “How do we get other people to move to Noblesville?” Langley pointed out that people willing to buy expensive houses also demand a high quality of life—something she thinks that Federal Hill Park will deliver.

SANTA CLAUS OPEN HOUSE

Come visit Santa Claus at his house on the Noblesville courthouse square and tell him what you'd like for Christmas!

Santa will be in his house on the following days:

Friday, December 5	4:30pm – 8:30pm *
Saturday, December 6	1pm – 4pm
Sunday, December 7	1pm – 4pm
Saturday, December 13	1pm – 4pm
Sunday, December 14	1pm – 4pm
Thursday, December 18	4pm – 7pm
Saturday, December 20	1pm – 4pm
Sunday, December 21	1pm – 4pm
Tuesday, December 23	12pm – 3pm
Wednesday, December 24	12pm – 3pm

* Stop by the tent next to Santa's house on December 5th from 4:30pm–8:30pm and enjoy a free cup of hot chocolate, thanks to Noblesville Main Street!

Families may bring their own camera and take photos at no charge. Thank you to Meijer in Noblesville for donating candy canes for Santa's house!

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