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Obituaries

Jacob “Jake” A. Hiatt

November 18, 1939 - December 1, 2014

Jacob “Jake” A. Hiatt age 75, of Sheridan, Indiana, passed away on December 1, 2014. Jake was born on November 18, 1939 to the late John Warren and Ruby (Bake) Hiatt in Hamilton County, Indiana. He graduated from Sheridan High School Class of 1957. Jake served honorability in the United States Army, and was stationed at the Panama Canal. He worked for Biddle Precision Components in Sheridan as a purchasing agent, and retired in 2011. Jake was a member Issachar Church, Sheridan Lion Club, and was very involved with MAMA Cupboard. Jake will be greatly missed by his family. He is survived by his loving wife Marzella (Graham) Hiatt of 55 years; their two children Jeff (Bobbie Jo) Hiatt and Lisa Hiatt of Sheridan; two grandchildren Haleigh (Robert) Gill and Justin (Olga) Haggard. Jake is also survived by his two siblings, John Anthony (Donita) and Donald Hiatt, along with several nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday December 6, at 1:00 pm at Sheridan Church of God located at 707 W. 2nd St., where family and friends are invited to gather from 10:00 am till time of services; Pastor Joshua Kennedy officiating. Burial at Crownview Cemetery will follow the service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Issachar Church “Building Fund” 417 S. Main St. Sheridan, Indiana 46069. Online condolences may be made at fisherfunerals.com. Fisher Family Funeral Services have been entrusted with Jake’s arrangements

Timothy Kent Sutton

October 31, 1940 - November 30, 2014

Timothy Kent Sutton, age 74, passed away Sunday morning, November 30, 2014, at his home in Sheridan. Tim was born October 31, 1940 in Indianapolis, Indiana to the late Levon Gerald Sutton and Euldine Ann (Gipson) Sutton. Tim attended Gorman H.S. in Las Vegas. After High School, Tim proudly served his country with the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Tim worked for Allison Transmission and Chrysler Automotive for 17 years, retiring in 2005. Tim was a member of the Sheridan First Christian Church, the U.A.W. Local 685, Sheridan Masonic Lodge F&AM #309, and the K.V. Elliott Sheridan American Legion Post 67. Tim is survived by his mother, Euldine Sutton; his former wife, Linda Lee Beard-Sutton; his 4 sons, Michael K. Sutton of Las Vegas, Larry Lee Beard of Sheridan, Jon Ford Bess (fiancé Beth Britt) of Texas and Sean Bentley (Karen) Sutton of Carmel; 1 sister, Claudia Janelle Dearmond of California; sister in law, Ardith Sutton of Sheridan, Indiana; 5 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; and 2 “granddogs” Walter and Jersey. He was preceded in death by his father Levon; his brother Larry Sutton; brother in law Harold “Buster” Dearmond; and his best friend, his dog Ratchet. Services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at the Kercheval Funeral Home; 306 East 10th Street; Sheridan, Indiana, with visitation from 11:00 AM until the time of service. Pastor Todd Burtron will be officiating.

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DAILY BIBLE VERSE

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- Proverbs 24:4

50 Years Ago

December 4, 1964

Jack Edwards scores 35 points in Carmel's 68-66 basketball victory over Westfield.

STORM

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financial costs for public assistance exceeded the threshold established by FEMA. In total, 23 county agencies submitted information for reimbursement from FEMA. Each agency worked independently with a FEMA representative over 6-7 months to identify storm related costs that would qualify for assistance. More than \$1,070,500 in storm related expenditures was identified as eligible for reimbursement with FEMA paying 75 percent or \$800,000 of those costs back to Hamilton County. Local agencies received the greatest amount of funds for overtime, product, and operations during the incident while Public Safety Agencies also received compensation. “We are lucky to have such great working relationships with all of our partners throughout Hamilton County,” said Hamilton County Emergency Management Executive Director Tom Sivak. “Without their time and support, reimbursement of federal funds to offset the costs of the storm would not have happened.” Earlier in the year, Hamilton County had applied for approximately \$960,000 in FEMA grants, but were turned down because, as County Commissioner Steve Dillinger told the Reporter in April, part of what the county submitted did not qualify.


JELLISON

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The County Commissioners would like to see Hamilton County lead the funding to build the facilities and then the larger cities (Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville and Westfield) to commit to fund the annual operating costs. The smaller towns in Hamilton County (Sheridan, Arcadia, Cicero and Atlanta) would be a part of using the facility but would get a free pass. “When they first started they were talking about \$13 million to build the facility and a million a year to operate it,” McKinney said. “Now they’re down to a construction cost of \$3 million. We don’t know what they want from us or what the cities are willing to chip in.” At the earlier meeting held at the Judicial Center, Superior Court 1 Judge Steven Nation supported the training center and said it was long overdue. “We first started talking about this in 1980,” Judge Nation said. “Every (fire, police, etc.) department wants it. We didn’t have the land in 1980. We do now. It is time.” Ninety-six acres, located between Noblesville and Westfield, have been offered by the City of Westfield. When asked to give his personal opinion of the training center, McKinney spoke openly. “I want good training facilities for the firemen and police, McKinney said. “But, I’m not convinced that the County should take the lead. The county doesn’t have a fire

department, and I’m not convinced that our sheriff (Mark Bowen) believes it is needed. He may be getting some pressure to support the idea” Dillinger recently told The Reporter that if one of the larger cities in the county decided not to participate that the center still could be a go. But, Dillinger said, not without the support of the County. “I’m not certain we (the county) should be leading the way. I’m not even sure we should be leading the way with the 37 Corridor,” said McKinney. “The Commissioners are talking to the cities (Fishers and Noblesville) and the businesses along 37. They’ve talked to everyone except the State. How much will the State chip in? That’s what we need to know. How much will the cities of Noblesville and Fishers chip in? After the State and Fishers and Noblesville, then we should come in.” Many have said that a vote on the training center, if taken today, would be close, maybe 5 to 4 in favor. However, one of the nine council members, Meredith Carter, is retiring and voted into office has been Fred Glynn. How will the new man in town vote? Glynn will take his seat in January. There should be some interesting fun and games within county government in 2015.

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Park's first major steel roller coaster...

Holiday World finishes full circuit on Thunderbird

Press Release

Christmas arrived early at Holiday World theme park today, as the 77th piece of bright orange steel track was lifted into place, completing the full circuit for Thunderbird, the park's first major steel roller coaster.

Holiday World's Vice President of Development & Maintenance, James Olliver, credits a team of more than three-dozen area construction workers for not only staying on schedule, but working through summer heat and recent snowy weather to complete Thunderbird's more than 3,000 feet of steel track weeks ahead of schedule.

Before track piece number 77 was lifted into place, Thunderbird's construction team celebrated by signing it.

Thunderbird, the nation's first launched wing coaster, will start with a zero-to-60

miles per hour launch in 3.5 seconds, followed by multiple inversions – including a 14-story Immelmann loop, Zero-g roll, barrel roll, and loop. Continuing Holiday World's tradition of sending roller coasters through thickly wooded and hilly terrain, Thunderbird at first soars and loops high in the air and then hugs the ground, surprising riders with rapid-fire “near misses” such as keyholes, themed elements, other rides, trees, and even the ground. Two additional ride enhancements will be announced in the coming weeks.

Construction of Thunderbird's themed support buildings will continue throughout the winter.

Holiday World will open for the 2015 season on April 25. For more information about Holiday World and Thunderbird, visit HolidayWorld.com or call 1-800-467-2682.

Roto Rooter to expand with new facility in Fishers

The Town Council approved an economic development agreement with Roto Rooter Services Company at Monday's meeting. Approval of the agreement completes plans for a new facility along the I-69 corridor and brings nearly \$6 million in investments and 60 jobs to Fishers. Roto Rooter will acquire property and construct a new facility at 12034 Exit Five Pkwy.

“Roto Rooter is a leader in its industry and we are excited that they have chosen Fishers for their new central Indiana facility,” said Town Council President, John Weingardt. “This agreement brings investment and jobs to our community furthering the long-term sustainability of the Fishers economy.”

Roto Rooter, North America's leading provider of plumbing and drain-cleaning services, intends to build a new facility to accommodate its expanding central-Indiana services. The investment includes the purchase of the land and a capital investment of more than \$5.9 million. Roto Rooter will relocate 50 full-time jobs by 2016 and create an additional ten full-time jobs by 2019 with a total projected yearly payroll of more than \$2.7 million.

The economic development agreement includes a four-year real property tax abatement on qualified investment for a total estimated incentive package worth \$272,875. Once approved, Roto Rooter is expected to begin construction in 2015 with a projected occupancy of spring 2016.

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After the morning rush hour today, Dec. 4, and Friday, Dec. 5, crews plan to set overhead signage near US 31/96th Street. Today, motorists should expect the far right lane of northbound US 31 to be restricted just south of 96th Street. On Friday, crews plan to restrict the far right lane of westbound 96th Street just east of US 31. Both restrictions are expected to last until approximately 3 p.m.

Benefiting Good Samaritan Network...

Noblesville Logan's Roadhouse conducts fundraising event Dec. 17

Logan's Roadhouse is inviting area residents to visit its Noblesville restaurant located at 17065 Mercantile Blvd for a community fundraising event on Wednesday, Dec. 17. As part of its ongoing Raise the Steaks fundraising program, Logan's will join with the Good Samaritan Network to give guests an opportunity to support a charitable cause.

From 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Logan's will donate 15 percent of the participants' check amounts before tax back to the Good Samaritan Network. If 50 or more participating guests visit the restaurant on the designated night, 20 percent will be donated. Proceeds from the event will help Good Samaritan Network serve the residents of Hamilton County with Client and Holiday Assistance.

To participate, guests need to show an event ticket to their server. Contact Good Samaritan Network at info@gsnlive.org, Patty Bukowski at pattyblogans@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/Logans.Roadhouse to request an event ticket.

“Logan's Roadhouse is committed to supporting local organizations and charities where our restaurants are located,” said Chad Keefe, Noblesville general manager for Logan's Roadhouse Inc. “This is a great opportunity to team with the Good Samari-

tan Network to support its fundraising efforts. We hope our neighbors will join us.”

The mission of Good Samaritan Network is to demonstrate the unconditional love of Christ by serving the physical, financial and emotional needs of at-risk individuals and families in Hamilton County. Typically direct services involve emergency or crisis intervention for: housing and utility assistance, food insecurities, car repairs, medical and prescription assistance, as well as educational opportunities for improving individual independence. GSN provides direct care when clients have nowhere else to turn.

Indirect services with our network participants help us ensure efficiency and communication among the different groups who serve the needs of Hamilton County residents at-risk. This includes Hamilton County Trustees, Schools, Churches, Social Services/Agencies and Hamilton County Food Pantries. Additionally, this process helps identify potential abusers of the system while providing the best overall coordinated assistance.

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For the 2014 election...

Indiana voter turnout was 30 percent

Press Release
Secretary of State Connie Lawson announced on Tuesday that 30 percent, or 1,388,965, of Indiana's 4.5 million registered voters cast a vote in the Nov. 4 General Election. The 2014 election was the one in the twelve-year cycle in which there was not a gubernatorial or senate race on the ballot. The last time this occurred was in 2002, when voter turnout was 39 percent.

Several Indiana counties saw voter turnout higher than 40 percent. Martin, Ohio, Perry, Pike and Spencer all had at least a 48 percent turnout rate. Jay County had the highest turnout rate in the state at 52 percent.

Voter turnout is calculated by dividing the number of voters voting by the number of registered voters. In May of this year, the Secretary of State's office began working with county election officials to update Indiana's voter list. This process has identified inaccurate voter registrations and marked those voters' records inactive, the first step required to update Indiana's voter list. The voter list refresh project will give Hoosiers a more accurate view of voter participation in future elections. When voter lists are bloated with inaccurate information, turnout statistics are artificially lowered. If Indiana's voter turnout were based upon voter participation of active voters instead of including inactive voters, Indiana's actual turnout would be 36.4 percent.

"As we continue to update our voter list, we will have a clearer picture of Indiana's voter turnout numbers in future elections," said Secretary Lawson. "Bloated lists artificially deflate our state's turnout numbers. By using only active voters, we can give election officials, the media and voters a more accurate number."

The complete 2014 General Election Turnout and Absentee Chart with voter statistics for each county can be viewed online at http://www.in.gov/sos/elections/2014_General_Election_Turnout.pdf. The report was compiled by the Election Division of the Secretary of State's office from voter data gathered in Indiana's 92 counties.

Kroger expands Salvation Army support

The Kroger Co.'s Central Division is leading an expanded fund-raising campaign on behalf of The Salvation Army now through Wednesday, Dec. 24. The fund-raising goal for the campaign is \$1 million.

Kroger will be the new WIBC Salvation Army radiothon sponsor on Friday, Dec. 5. Kroger volunteers will man the phones that afternoon.

Kroger Central Division stores will host red kettle bell ringers in front of the stores now through Wednesday, December 24th. The red kettles at 129 Kroger Central Division stores raised \$936,144 in 2013, a 10% increase over 2012. A further 10% increase in 2014 would break the \$1 million mark for the first time.

On Thursday, Dec. 18, division president Jeff Burt will be ringing the bell at the division's 86th and Township Line store in Indianapolis from 9:00 AM to noon. Burt will be joined by one of The Kroger Co.'s most senior executives, group vice president Geoff Covert, who is travelling to Indianapolis for the event.

In addition, all Kroger division managers will be volunteering a bell-ringing shift on Tuesday, Dec. 23 at their stores. Burt has challenged his team, saying he can raise more funds than any of his management team during their bell-ringing shifts.

Burt said, "The Salvation Army and their mission aligns very effectively with Kroger's community engagement priorities. Their local food pantries, often with food donated by Kroger, help feed our hungry neighbors. They are often the first to respond when disaster strikes, helping care for Kroger associates and customers in need. They are compassionate and caring. It is a privilege for Kroger to gather resources for them during this holiday season. I realize that \$1 million is an ambitious goal for this Kroger operating division, but I am confident in the generosity of our own associates, our customers and our neighbors across Indiana and Illinois."

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2. I shall be near to you : a novel
by McCabe, Erin Lindsay.
3. Close to home
by Jackson, Lisa
4. The long way home
by Penny, Louise
5. The ship of brides : a novel
by Moyes, Jojo
6. Betrayed
by Scottoline, Lisa.
7. Blue Labyrinth
by Preston, Douglas J.
8. The escape
by Baldacci, David
9. Flesh and blood : a Scarpetta novel
by Cornwell, Patricia Daniels.
10. Miami gundown : a frontier story
by Zimmer, Michael

New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. iPhone for dummies
by Baig, Edward C.
2. Forgetting to be afraid : a memoir
by Davis, Wendy
3. Parcels : a football life
by Parcels, Bill

4. The sense of style : the thinking person's guide to writing in the 21st century
by Pinker, Steven
5. The news sorority : Diane Sawyer, Katie Couric, Christiane Amanpour and the (ongoing, imperfect, complicated) triumph of women in tv news
by Weller, Sheila.
6. Living courageously : you can face anything, just do it afraid
by Meyer, Joyce
7. The official Scrabble players dictionary.
by Merriam-Webster, Inc.
8. The history of rock 'n' roll in ten songs
by Marcus, Greil.
9. Have a happy family by Friday : how to improve communication, respect & teamwork in 5 days
by Leman, Kevin.
10. Masterful marks : cartoonists who changed the world
by Beauchamp, Monte.

New DVDs

1. The newsroom. The complete second season
2. The wind rises
3. A Madea Christmas
4. Louder than words
5. Refuge
6. 37 days

7. Modern family. The complete fifth season
8. Come morning
9. Cowgirls 'n angels 2 : Dakota's summer
10. The field of blood. Set 1

New Music CDs

1. The giver : original motion picture score
by Beltrami, Marco.
2. Journey to freedom
by Williams, Michelle
3. Step back
by Winter, Johnny.

4. Three bells
by Ickes, Rob.
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by Brown, Chris
6. JHUD
by Hudson, Jennifer
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by Brooks, Garth.
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Big game; wouldn't you agree?

Tigers will visit The Mill

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor
Many followers of high school basketball will tell you there is no such thing as a “must win” in December

Those folks likely are not followers of Noblesville and Fishers as the Millers prepare to host the Tigers Friday at The Mill. Must win? Maybe not. But, a very important basketball game.

Noblesville, coming off victories over Northwest 71-36 and Howe 65-55 last weekend in Brian McCauley’s first two games as coach of the Millers, would love to prove to the big-school basketball world that, indeed, they can play with the big guys, those teams who later this season will get together at the sectional in Carmel.

A win over Fishers would give Noblesville a step in that direction.

Fishers, also a mix of that local sectional group, right now would simple like to prove the Tigers are alive and kicking after the 108-74 smearing that took earlier in the week at Pike. Fishers started its season by beating Shortridge 77-67.

Pike is rated No. 5 this week in the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association’s poll. Noblesville didn’t receive enough votes to make Top 20, but the Millers did receive recognition.

McCauley believes Fishers is better than the team which was drilled by Pike.

“Fishers is a very good team,” McCauley said. “They have skill, size, depth and athleticism. They have played two very good opponents to begin the season. They have several players that have extensive varsity playing performance.

“We will have to do a great job with defensive transition, rebounding and recognizing their multiple defenses,” McCauley added.

The Tigers have proven they can come at opponents from various directions. Against Pike, 6-8 junior Cameron Wolter led the scoring with 14 points, followed by 6-5 senior Luke Wehner with 13, 6-5 junior Lance Dollison with 12 and 6-2 senior Keegan Kollmeyer with 10 points.

Noblesville doesn’t have that kind of size, so rebounding could be a key in this battle.

In the win over Shortridge, Wolter and Dollison delivered a solid 1-2 punch, scoring 20 and 19 points, respectively.

“Noblesville is shooting lights out and they are so dangerous in The Mill,” said Fishers coach Joe Leonard. “We must do a better job of getting to the 3-point shooters.”

One of those 3-point shooters Fishers must get to is senior guard Jake Mills, who is coming off a pair of 20-point-plus games.

Mills, running mate at guard Sean Wilson and 6-5 junior John Kiser are the veterans returning for the Millers. Senior guard David Cory, who played as a sophomore, has returned from an injury which sidelined him all of last season.

“We have been pleased with the progress we have made throughout the first two games,” McCauley reports. “Just like every team, we have a lot of areas for improvement. Playing Fishers will be a great chance for us to improve as a team.”

Fishers is Noblesville’s only opponent this week. Fishers, which has its first four games on the road, will travel to Kokomo on Saturday.

“Kokomo has lots of athletes and they like to pressure you,” Leonard talked about the Wildcats. “It is very difficult to win in



Kent Graham/File photo

Senior John Kiser is one of Noblesville’s veteran players. The Millers will host Fishers Friday night in a big county rivalry and Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

Millers-Tigers Battles

2014: Millers 58, Tigers 54

2013: Tigers 64, Millers 62, ot

2012: Millers 67, Tigers 59

2011: Millers 49, Tigers 47

2010: Tigers 69, Millers 65, ot

2009: Millers 63, Tigers 57

2008: Millers 77, Tigers 51 (sectional: Millers 53, Tigers 45)

2007: Millers 52, Tigers 38

Kokomo. We need to really buckle down this weekend.”

Kokomo is 1-1 for the year with a 54-47 loss to Western and a 64-51 victory over Westfield. The ‘Kats aren’t scheduled on Friday before Fishers comes calling on Saturday.

Jordan Matthews, a 6-0 junior, is leading Kokomo in scoring with a 19.0 average.

The Fishers-Noblesville series has become one of the hottest contested rivalries in Hamilton County. Noblesville won 58-54 last year; Kokomo won 64-62 in overtime two seasons ago. Noblesville leads the series seven wins to Fishers’ two victories. Both Fishers wins have come in overtimes.

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Back to the old, old days....

Mitchell to return to Heights

By DON JELLISON

Reporter Editor

The history of high school basketball in the Hamilton Heights area (Heights, Jackson Central, Walnut Grove, Cicero, Arcadia and Atlanta) has produced lots of great moments; lots of on the court fireworks.

But, nothing like what is expected this weekend.

On Friday, at Hamilton Heights High School, No. 1, Class 3A Guerin Catholic will visit the No. 5, Class 3A Huskies.

On Saturday, at the Heights Middle School gym in Arcadia, No. 6, Class 4A ranked North Central, coached by one of Hamilton Heights' all-time greats, Doug Mitchell, will take on the Huskies.

None of those three teams as yet this season have lost a game. Heights is 2-0, while Guerin Catholic and North Central at 1-0.

Also 1-0 is Fort Wayne South, which on Saturday will visit Guerin Catholic at the Eagles Nest.

Hamilton Heights is inviting back all former players who played in the old high school gym, now the middle school, for the "throw back" game on Saturday Three games will be played. The freshmen from Heights and North Central will meet at 6 p.m. in the East Gym; the junior varsity game will start at 6 p.m. in the West Gym, and the varsity game will follow.

Lots of great teams. Lots of great individuals.

Here in Hamilton County, Guerin Catholic's Matt Holba, after turning down offers from 22 other schools, including Penn State and Providence, has signed with Lehigh. Hamilton Heights' Grant Weatherford, who many thought would follow a football career, instead has signed to play basketball at Purdue University.

North Central is led by an outstanding 6-7 sophomore, Kris Wilkes. Mitchell has a loaded sophomore class

"It might be the biggest weekend of basketball for Hamilton Heights in the history of the school," said Husky coach Chad Ballenger. "Guerin is ranked No. 1 coming to the Husky Dome and TV-40 will do the game (10:30 p.m. delayed). Coach Mitchell coming back to coach at the old high school on Throw Back Night has lots of people excited, and other former players are coming back."

Tickets will be sold at the door Saturday for the game in the middle school.

Ballenger said he is very pleased with the way the Huskies have opened up.

"We are still battling some nagging injuries and have not been 100 percent, yet," said Ballenger.

"Our first two games the defense was very solid. Mt. Vernon is a very good basketball team, and I thought we defended them well. We controlled and led most of the game. We just never could bury them. We made some poor mistakes in the last few minutes that could be very costly in a closer game.

"Hunter Crist had an outstanding game offensively and rebounding the ball vs. Lebanon. Ian Nicholson shot the ball well against Lebanon and played really well. We got solid production from Sterling Weatherford, Kurry Miller, Caymn Lutz and Jadon White. Grant Weatherford's defense was outstanding.

"Mt. Vernon," Ballenger continued, "did a nice job defending us. We did a nice job spreading the ball around. Garrett Paull played well offensively and defensively. Jadon White shot the ball well."

Ballenger watched Tuesday evening as Guerin Catholic opened with the 70-44 pounding of Herron, led by 26 points and 16 rebounds from Holba.

"We must contain Holba," Ballenger stressed. "We must rebound and our transition defense has to be flawless. Holba is a special player and he plays so hard. We must match their intensity."

"I really thought they (Heights) would be rated ahead of us when the preseason rankings came out," said Guerin coach Pete Smith. "They have an explosive offense with a veteran floor leader in Grant Weatherford. They have great shooters on the wings with Crist, White and Paull, and a solid post player in Miller. Throw in two solid players off the bench in Sterling Weatherford and Nicholson, and they have the makings for a great team and season."

Smith came away from the Herron game saying his team will play better.

"After watching the film, I can tell you if we throw the ball around like a frisbee as we did against Herron, there's no way we will beat Hamilton Heights," said the coach. "We have to stay in the driving lanes defensively better, or we'll be in foul trouble real quick against them.

"I believe we will play better."

The North Central team Mitchell will bring to Arcadia on Saturday opened its season with a 111-43 win over Metropolitan.

The Panthers will host Richmond on Friday before playing Heights.

The Fort Wayne South team which will play at Guerin on Saturday is 1-0 after a 68-60 victory over South Bend Washington. South isn't scheduled to play on Friday.



Reporter photos by Brian Reddick

Hamilton Heights' Jadon White (above) and Guerin Catholic's Brian Matthews III (below) will be part of a big county clash when the Huskies and the Golden Eagles meet Friday at the Husky Dome.



2 chances to prove....

HSE is No. 4, or even better

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor

Last weekend Coach Brian Satterfield had to bus his Hamilton Southeastern Royals nearly to the Indiana state line to prove once again the local defending sectional champs will be tough to handle.

HSE came away with an overtime win over Lake Central.

Now, this weekend, the Royals will need to play well again in order to keep the No. 4, Class 4A ranking they've achieved.

Twice.

Southeastern will open its Hoosier Crossroads Conference season at home on Friday by hosting Avon and then on Saturday the team will travel to face a very strong opponent at Pendleton Heights.

Avon is 1-0. Pendleton Heights is 3-0.

"The Lake Central game was good for us," said Satterfield. "We got off to a great start and were up by double digits towards the beginning of the second quarter, but got into some foul trouble. Then in the third quarter we got the lead to 15 before the same thing happened. In the fourth, they hit a couple of tough shots and gained some confidence and made a game of it down the stretch.

"The positives," Satterfield said, "from the game were different players stepped up when given the chance. Our offensive rebounding; our offensive rebounding and winning in overtime were good things. After blowing the lead and going into overtime, our players responded through the adversity to gain the victory. The down side of the game was our defensive rebounding. We have to get better at that aspect as we move forward."

Satterfield said Zach Gunn had a special game and played well at both ends of the floor and that Chris Ford got the team going

with his energy. Ty Scholl drew three charges in the game.

Gunn exploded for 34 points and finished a double-double with 10 rebounds. Ford added 10 points.

Avon has played one game, a 71-59 victory over Plainfield. In that game junior Jack McCue scored 20 points and senior Brad Peters notched 17. Senior Logan White and sophomore Hayden Crowder each added 10 points.

"Avon will be a tough challenge as they have a lot of players who can put the ball on the floor and shoot it. Peters is the leader and had a terrific game against Plainfield. McCue is a great shooter that we have to get him on the catch or he will burn us. The key will be to slow both down without letting the others knock down open looks or attack the basket."

Pendleton Heights has defeated Anderson 80-57, Delta 50-32 and Westfield 71-31.

Butler recruit Sean McDermott is averaging 16 points a game; sophomore Mark Albers and junior Caleb Hardy 11.3 each, and junior Kenton Dunham 11.0 points a game.

"Pendleton will be a game that requires all five guys on the same page at both ends," Satterfield believes. "If not, it could be a long night for us. They run their stuff so well and can spread the floor with all the shooters they have. If you key on the shooters, they will slip screens or drive to the basket for easy lay-ups.

"This will be a good test for our group to see how they handle a scouting report without being able to practice much for the opponent. McDermott is the real deal and he can do it all at both ends.

"Not an easy challenge," Satterfield concluded.

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Cosby, Small lead ‘Blazers

The University girls basketball team fought until the end on Tuesday, eventually falling to Bethesda Christian 55-37.

The Patriots jumped out to a 17-5 lead in the first quarter thanks to tough defensive pressure. But the Trailblazers kept fighting.

"Our girls didn't give up and really rallied in the second half," said UHS coach Stacey Summitt-Mann. "Co-captains Reilly Small and Cyan Cosby stepped up the leadership."

Small made two of her three 3-pointers in the third quarter; Summitt-Mann said

Star of the Game: Reilly Small made three 3-pointers on her way to 11 points.
University's Record: 1-5.
Next Game: Tonight at Anderson Prep Academy.

Small also "continued to be a force on the defensive boards. Cyan Cosby began attacking in the 4th quarter, scoring eight of her twelve points, and converted two clutch steals."

Small wound up with 11 points. Honor Cosby scored four points, Allie Towriss three and Riley Spitzenberger one.

Score by Quarters				
Bethesda 17	7	15	16	55
University 5	6	8	18	37

Defense carries ‘Rocks to win

Westfield had a fine defensive showing in its Wednesday win over Decatur Central.

The Shamrocks were victorious 48-34. Westfield led 11-6 after the first quarter, then shut out the Hawks in the second period, while taking a 16-6 halftime lead. The 'Rocks then led 32-15 after three quarters.

Maddy Grennes and JalyN Foland both scored 10 points. Allison VanDyke and Annaleise Drudge both added nine points. Abby Reeder was all over the stat line, with four rebounds, four assists, three points and three steals.

Star of the Game: Abby Reeder had a solid all-around game: Four rebounds, four assists, three points, three steals.
Westfield's Record: 4-2.
Next Game: Saturday at Rushville.

Abby Reeder	1-2	1-2	3	1
Allison VanDyke	3-7	2-2	9	4
Annaleise Drudge	2-2	5-7	9	2
Jalyn Foland	2-10	6-6	10	1
Cailey Cotter	0-1	2-2	2	3
Haliegh Reinoehl	1-1	1-2	3	0
Natalie Slagle	0-0	0-0	0	1
Paige Shockley	1-1	0-0	2	0
Totals	13-35	21-27	48	12

Score by Quarters
DCHS 6 0 9 19 - 34
Westfield 11 5 16 16 - 48
Three-point shooting: Westfield (1-13) VanDyke 1-4, Foland 0-5, Grennes 0-3, Cotter 0-1; Decatur Central (2-8).
Rebounds: Westfield (19) Reeder 4, Cotter 3, VanDyke 3, Drudge 3, Grennes 2, Shockley 2, Slagle 1, Foland 1; Decatur Central (16).
Turnovers: Westfield 14, Decatur Central 15.

Westfield 48, Decatur Central 34

Westfield (48)	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maddy Grennes	3-11	4-6	10	0

Brian Reddick/File photo

Caitlyn Hays had six 3-pointers for Hamilton Heights on Wednesday.

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Hays, Runner have big games for Huskies

Hamilton Heights played another tough opponent Wednesday, falling to Pendleton Heights 77-54.

The Huskies were tied with the Arabians at 14-14 after one quarter, but Pendleton began to slowly pull away after that, leading 34-27 at halftime.

Caitlyn Hays scored 20 points; she had an outstanding shooting night with six 3-pointers. Ashton Runner added 14 points, and also had five rebounds and five assists. Taylor Boyd earned a double-double of 10 points and 10 rebounds. Bri Henson and Amy Griffey both grabbed four boards.

Star of the Game: Ashton Runner scored 14 points, and had five rebounds and five assists.
Heights' Record: 1-5.
Next Game: Tuesday vs. Northwestern, a MIC game.

Ashton Runner	7-14	0-0	14	2
Amy Griffey	2-4	0-0	4	1
Ana Collar	0-0	0-0	0	0
Taylor Boyd	5-9	0-0	10	2
Totals	22-57	4-4	54	12

Score by Quarters
Heights 14 13 12 15 - 54
Pendleton 14 20 22 21 - 77
Heights 3-point shooting (6-21) Hays 6-14, Branham 0-3, Runner 0-3, Kirtley 0-1.
Heights rebounds (30) Boyd 10, Runner 5, Henson 4, Griffey 4, Branham 3, Kirtley 2, Hays 1, Collar 1.

Pendleton Heights 77, Hamilton Heights 54

Heights (54)	FG	FT	TP	PF
Caitlyn Hays	6-15	2-2	20	1
Kayla Kirtley	0-6	2-2	2	1
Lexi Branham	2-8	0-0	4	2
Bri Henson	0-1	0-0	0	3

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Carmel gets big MIC dual victory

Star of the Day: Guerin Catholic’s Dawson McMahon had the quick pin of the night, getting the fall in 39 seconds.
Next Meets: All three teams compete Saturday - *Carmel:* at Peoria (Ill.) Duals. *Guerin:* at Hawthorne Memorial at South Adams. *Westfield:* hosts Shamrock Duals.

The Carmel wrestling team won an important dual meet over MIC foe Ben Davis Wednesday, 41-22.
The Greyhounds started the meet with major decision wins from Jack Eiteljorge at 120 pounds and Morgan Pruitt at 126. Carmel won 10 of the 14 bouts, including pins from Sam Bublick, Parker Lorch and Enrico Donotelli.

Carmel 41, Ben Davis 22

Meet started at 120 pounds
120: Jack Eiteljorge (Car) def. Clevenger 16-4
126: Morgan Pruitt (Car) def. Duncan 18-9
132: William Bernard (Car) lost to Roth 12-2
138: Jerrod Smith (Car) lost to Weddle 4-2
145: Liam Paige (Car) def. Johnson 5-3
152: Sam Bublick (Car) def. Brunett by fall 3:04
160: Bryce Sharp (Car) def. J. Juarez 11-7
170: Kevin Troy (Car) lost to Seri 6-5
182: Zachary Bradley (Car) won by forfeit
195: Parker Lorch (Car) def. K. Juarez by fall 3:00
220: Enrico Donotelli (Car) def. Davis by fall 2:41
285: Deshawn Williams (Car) def. Pankow 4-2
106: Carmel forfeited
113: Ray Grant (Car) won by forfeit

Golden Eagles hang tough with Prairie

Guerin Catholic was competitive in its Wednesday meet despite falling to Clinton Prairie 54-30.
The Golden Eagles had to forfeit three weight classes (the Gophers forfeited one), with every other match decided by pin. Guerin winners were Korbin Lane, J.T. Lazzarra, Dawson McMahon and Michael Leonard.

Clinton Prairie 54, Guerin Catholic 30

Meet started at 170 pounds
170: Alex Iler lost to Hovde by fall 3:07
182: Evan Hansen lost to Boller by fall 3:21
195: Logan Weaver lost to Blubaugh by fall 1:59
220: Guerin forfeited
285: Guerin forfeited
106: Anthony Delnnocentes won by forfeit
113: Christopher Semler lost to Gingerich by fall 0:47
120: Guerin forfeited
126: Korbin Lane def. Fossnock by fall 3:24
132: J.T. Lazzarra def. Ferguson by fall 1:58
138: Blaine Wilson lost to Walker by fall 1:26
145: Dawson McMahon def. Nicolas by fall 0:39
152: Michael Leonard def. Rynearson by fall 0:42

160: Kevin Lenahan lost to Barnett by fall 1:28

‘Rocks fall to Brownsburg

Westfield lost to Brownsburg 55-6 in a Hoosier Cross-roads Conference dual meet Wednesday.
Nick Schaeffer and Austin Mazura were the Sham-rocks' winners, both getting their victories in overtime.

Brownsburg 55, Westfield 6

106: Luke Brogan lost to Mills by fall 1:16
113: Reid Hutson lost to Weaver 7-0
120: Noah Robinson lost to Mulkey by fall 3:02
126: Zachary Steele lost to Bigelow 4-1
132: Evan Eldred lost to Lee 7-5
138: Drew Collier lost to Canto 17-5
145: TJ Trzil lost to Owen 13-4
152: Brayton Harpe lost to Damler 12-1
160: Sam Trompen lost to Gay by fall 2:00
170: Liam Jagow lost to Waltn by fall 1:15
182: Corey Saf lost to Bronger 16-7
195: Nick Schaeffer def. McCormick 4-2 OT
220: Austin Mazura def. Webber 7-5 OT
285: Austin Dollens lost to Harlan 1:21

Westfield’s Kristin London commits to IUPUI



Photo courtesy Westfield High School

Kristin London has committed to play college softball at IUPUI. Kristin has been a valuable member of the varsity softball team her first 3 years at WHS and is looking forward to a great Senior year. She is a very versatile player for the Rocks and has played outfield, infield, and pitcher. Her sophomore year she was All Hamilton County and her junior year she earned HCC All Conference honors. In addition to softball, Kristin has been an Athletic Ambassador for the Athletic Department and a member of National Honor Society. She plans on majoring in Physical Therapy at IUPUI.

Orris named to Academic All-America First Team

For the second straight season, University of Indianapolis senior **Koby Orris** was selected to the Capital One Academic All-America® First Team Thursday, as voted on by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). Orris, who maintains a 3.89 GPA in Exercise Science and Pre-Physical Therapy, is one of only three players in the nation that also appeared on last year’s Academic All-America® First Team list.

The Fishers, Ind., native was a three-year starter in the UIndy defensive backfield, helping the Greyhounds to a 9-2 record in 2014 as well as a third consecutive GLVC championship. He led the team with three interceptions, ranked fourth with 57 tackles and was later named both the team’s Defensive MVP and its Mental Attitude Award winner.

In addition, Orris was one of two defensive captains on a unit that ranked fifth in Division II in passing defense (137.0 ypg), 12th in total defense (292.0 ypg) and 24th in scoring defense (17.3 ppg).

Orris’ Academic All-America® selection is the 73rd in school history and 57th since 2000. He is just the fifth UIndy football player to become a two-time honoree, joining the likes of Ted Munson (1994-95), Brad Crawford (1999-2000), Andrew Mansaray (2011-12) and Klay Fiechter (2012-13).

Indy Fuel get second consecutive victory

In the fourth of 10 head-to-head meetings between the two teams this season, the Indy Fuel outdueled the Evansville IceMen on Wednesday at Indiana Farmers Coliseum by a final score of 5-3. With the win, Indy’s second consecutive victory, the Fuel improved to 5-9-2-2 overall this season and with 14 points, pulled into a tie for sixth

place in the ECHL’s North Division standings.
Fuel forward Patrick Cullen broke the ice for Indy on Wednesday, as the Washington, DC native nudged home his sixth goal of the season at 12:15 of the first, a power-play tally assisted by Garrett Bembridge and Nick Bruneteau that made it 1-0 Fuel. Indy extended their lead late in the

frame when Bembridge buried a rising backhand at 18:31 to push the Fuel lead to 2-0. Evansville scrapped back in the period’s final minute, however, as Brandon Wong was credited with a power-play marker at 19:40 that drew the IceMen within a goal at 2-1 heading into the first intermission.

NBA standings

Wednesday’s scores		Houston 105, Memphis 96	
Chicago 102, Charlotte 95		Dallas 107, Milwaukee 105	
Washington 111, L.A. Lakers 95		Philadelphia 85, Minnesota 77	
Boston 109, Detroit 102		Toronto 123, Utah 104	
Brooklyn 95, San Antonio 93		L.A. Clippers 114, Orlando 86	
Atlanta 112, Miami 102			

Eastern Conference				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	15	4	.789	-
Brooklyn	8	9	.471	6.0
Boston	5	11	.313	8.5
New York	4	15	.211	11.0
Philadelphia	1	17	.056	13.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	12	7	.632	-
Cleveland	9	7	.563	1.5
Milwaukee	10	10	.500	2.5
Indiana	7	11	.389	4.5
Detroit	3	16	.158	9.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	12	5	.706	-
Atlanta	11	6	.647	1.0
Miami	9	9	.500	3.5
Orlando	7	14	.333	7.0
Charlotte	4	15	.211	9.0

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Portland	14	4	.778	-
Denver	9	9	.500	5.0
Oklahoma City	5	13	.278	9.0
Utah	5	14	.263	9.5
Minnesota	4	13	.235	9.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	15	2	.882	-
L.A. Clippers	13	5	.722	2.5
Phoenix	11	8	.579	5.0
Sacramento	9	9	.500	6.5
L.A. Lakers	5	14	.263	11.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Memphis	15	3	.833	-
Houston	14	4	.778	1.0
Dallas	15	5	.750	1.0
San Antonio	13	5	.722	2.0
New Orleans	8	8	.500	6.0