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# Hamilton County Reporter

## Council rejects proposed ‘empty nester’ subdivision

By PETE SMITH

The developers of a new proposed senior community had a vision for a no-maintenance style of housing that would allow aging Noblesville residents the freedom to remain in a house for years after they retire and their kids had moved out.

But the Noblesville City Council disagreed with the developer’s plans and unanimously rejected the proposal following a negative recommendation from the city’s plan commission.

The developers of the proposed Courtyards of Hazel Dell had hoped to build a new community of 29 single-story condominium houses priced between \$275,000 and \$400,000 with almost no lawn or space between buildings on just 8.8 acres of land on the northeast corner of Hazel Dell Parkway and 161<sup>st</sup> Street.

The proposed site is currently a farm field, and the developer’s proposal would have called for rezoning the property with the lowest density rating all the way to the city’s highest rating.

But the unanimous rejection was not meant as a statement about dense development said the four council members present—council members Brian Ayer, Mark Boice and council president Rick Taylor were absent. Council members Jeff Zeckel and Stephen Wood said a big factor in their decision was following the recommendation of the plan commission which had concerns about density, buffers and parking.

“It was like trying to fit 10 lbs of material in a 5 lbs bag,” Zeckel said. “It was not the right development for that property.”

A lawyer for the developers, John Smeltzer, disagreed with that idea. He had said during the meeting that the development would bring \$10 million tax revenue to Noblesville without making an impact on the schools or traffic.

And the developers argued that it filled a niche that Noblesville buyers were looking for—empty nester housing.

But city attorney Mike Howard said that the city has passed many new projects that will target this demographic, many of which are just beginning construction.

“There was nothing wrong with the product,” acting council president Greg O’Connor said. “It’s not that we don’t want the development. It’s the land-use.”

**In other news**

The city council will conduct a special meeting at 6 p.m. Feb. 26.

## Westfield murder suspect pleads guilty

By JEFF JELLISON

The suspect accused in the 2013 robbery and murder of a Westfield mother and daughter has plead guilty.

Christian Haley, an ex-employee of victims’ husband and father, entered a guilty plea in Hamilton County Superior Court 1 earlier this week.

Haley was accused of murdering Marylyn Erb, 52, and Kelly Erb, 23, after breaking into the victims’ home in the 15000 block of Oak Park Court in Westfield on December 20, 2013.

The Hamilton County Prosecutors office is seeking life in prison without the opportunity for parole.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled to be conducted April 16th.

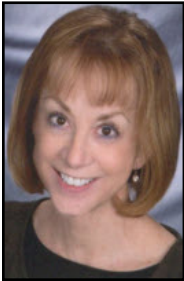


Haley

## Strive for a gold standard of heart health

By SHARON MCMAHON

*“I want to live, I want to give. I’ve been a miner for a heart of gold.” – Neil Young, 1972*



Most of you are very aware that February is “National Heart Health Month” as well as the “Go Red for Women” month. Fortunately there is much information available now about heart health, particularly as it relates to women. Few people are not surprised, thankfully, that heart disease is the number one killer of both men and women, surpassing all types of cancer and other diseases. In 2011, nearly 787,000 people in the U.S. succumbed to heart disease, with coronary heart disease being the most prevalent. Direct and indirect

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## Good Samaritan Network announces the...

## Resource & Health Fair set for March 26

Good Samaritan Network has announced that the sixth annual Hamilton County Resource & Health Fair 2015, March 26, 1pm-6pm, and will be located at the Hamilton County 4H Fairgrounds in Noblesville, Indiana. Information for registering as an exhibitor/vendor (which includes booth space)can be completed by visiting the Good Samaritan Network website ([www.gsnlive.org](http://www.gsnlive.org)). Exhibitor and vendor registration is required.

Nancy Chance, GSN Founder/Executive Director, says, “It really is a remarkable FREE event for Central Indiana! Not to mention the resource and expertise of our vendors and exhibitors.” Additionally she said, “New this year is a ‘Caregivers Connection’ we are making available in a separate area of the facility so that individuals can discover things they can do to be more prepared as a caregiver.” Chance said, “This all NEW specialized area will be invaluable to those who need more information and resources about their caregiving options.”



Photo provided

The Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds will host the sixth annual Hamilton County Resource & Health Fair March 26. Several major health providers are sponsors of the free event, and vendor space is still available.

The event is coordinated by Vincent Carmel, St. Francis County Health Department and Good Samaritan Network of Health Carmel, Community Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County. Sponsors include: Indiana University Health Network, Sodexo, PH- HC - Partnership For A Health Health, Riverview Health, St. Hamilton County, Hamilton

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## Tucano’s celebrates one-year anniversary in Noblesville

Tucanos Brazilian Grill, known for providing a fun, festive and family friendly churrasco experience to the Noblesville community celebrates it’s one year anniversary on March 10, 2015.

The event will serve as a celebration of community and Brazilian cuisine. To kick off the bash, Tucanos will join Chamber of Commerce members and Mayor Ditslear for a ceremonious anniversary ribbon cutting. The party will feature community non-profits Fisher’s YMCA and TherAplay, both organizations received donations in Tucanos’ Charity Night Celebration during the 2014 grand opening.

“At the Fishers YMCA, we were honored to be one of the beneficiaries of Tucanos’ Charity Night. Because of Tucanos’ generous donation, families in need in our community were able to send their kids to participate in character-building programs

such as YMCA Day Camps, youth sports, swim lessons, and more.” Said David Clark, Member Involvement Director, “The Fishers YMCA is uniquely positioned to help kids and families overcome challenges and reach their full potential thanks to community partners such as Tucanos!”

Party goers will enjoy a traditional churrasco meal, complete with 15 savory skewers of grilled vegetables and pineapple roasted over an open flame and served table-side, accompanied by an award winning Salad Festival with over 70 hot and cold options and complimentary birthday cake for only \$20.15 in celebration of what 2015 will bring for the restaurant. The evening will also feature a special beverage menu.

“We have really enjoyed getting to know the Noblesville community,” said Steve Oldham, founder and CEO of Tucanos Brazilian Grill, “We want to celebrate

the community and our guests by treating them to a celebration of the fusion of Brazil and Noblesville.”

Tucanos combines the unique serving style of the traditional Brazilian grilling experience with the flair and festivity of the beaches of Rio de Janeiro – an exhibition-style meal surrounded by flames and colors. Guest are invited to ‘escape the ordinary’ with a cuisine of grilled (churrasco) skewers of specialty seasoned or marinated meats, vegetables and fresh pineapple sliced and served at the guest’s table. The experience also includes an abundant and award-winning Salad Festival.

Offer is valid for dine-in only. For more information about Tucanos Brazilian Grill, please visit [www.tucanos.com](http://www.tucanos.com) or [www.facebook.com/tucanosbraziliangrill](http://www.facebook.com/tucanosbraziliangrill).



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Obituaries

Ann (Reed) Keevil-Kline

April 26, 1934 - February 20, 2015

Ann (Reed) Keevil-Kline, 80, of Indianapolis, passed away on Friday, February 20, 2015 at Zionsville Meadows. She was born on April 26, 1934 to Donald and Jean (Riensberger) Reed in Frankfort, Indiana. Her parents preceded her in death.

Ann worked as an administrator for American States Insurance, and enjoyed wood-working and refinishing furniture.

She is survived by her son, Brad Keevil, and grandchild, Alex Keevil; son, Brian (Toni) Keevil, and grandchildren, Stephanie (Nick) McBride, David Keevil, Stacie Keevil, Sarah Keevil, and Samantha Keevil; son, Brett (Sandy) Keevil, and grandchild, Megan (Steven) Frank; two great-grandchildren; brother, Jack Reed; and several nieces & nephews.

Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, February 27, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville, with visitation from 11:00 am to the time of service. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 50 East 91st Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.  
Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com)

Dorothy M. Deage

September 20, 1926 - February 24, 2015

Dorothy M. Daege, 88, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at The Lodge in Noblesville. She was born on September 20, 1926 to Wilfred and Lydia (Behrens) Foreman in Des Plaines, Illinois. Dorothy was a homemaker. She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Noblesville since 2010; and before that she had been an active member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Portage, IN.

She is survived by her children, Wayne (Patti) Daege, Terry L. (Kathy) Daege, and Tamara Sue Ahlborn; three sisters, Norma Van De Water, Ruth Jorstad, and Helen Gland; grandchildren, Marc (Julie) Daege, Jonathan (Tara) Daege, Mikell (Kevin) Vawter, Erin Daege, Bethany (Brendan) Molebash, Jason Daege, and Joshua Ahlborn; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by husband, Louis Daege who passed away in 2008; and a great-grandchild, Zoe Daege.

Services will be held at 10:00 am on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at Christ Lutheran Church, 10055 East 186th Street, in Noblesville, with visitation beginning at 9:00 am immediately prior to the service. Rev. Adrian Piazza will officiate. A graveside service with burial will be held at 2:30 pm (CST) at McCool & Blake Cemeteries in Portage, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Lutheran Church, 10055 East 186th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060.  
Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com)

Thomas Michael Wooden

November 21, 1951 - February 22, 2015

Thomas Michael Wooden, age 63 of Carmel; passed away on Sunday, February 22, 2015. Tom was born on November 21, 1951, in Indianapolis, to the late William Thomas Wooden and Wilma Jean (Faulk) Wooden who survives her son.

Tom was a 1970 graduate of Carmel High School; he attended IUPUI for a short time. Thomas was a brick mason and a masonry contractor for 40 years. He enjoyed gardening, listening to music and traveling with his wife, Cynthia (Frost) Estes who he married on July 4, 1997, in Westfield, IN.

Tom will be greatly missed by his family, his wife Cynthia, and mother Wilma. Children are Jessie Wooden and Seth Wertz. His step-children are Cari Denham, Amie Cox, April Walden, and twelve grandchildren. Also surviving Tom are three siblings, Steve (Nancy) Wooden, Keith (Delaine) Wooden and Jean (Steve) Wyatt.

A Celebration of Tom's life will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2015, at 10:00 am where friends and family are invited to gather from 9:00 am till time of service at Hope Church, 2500 E. 98th St., Indianapolis. Tom's brother, Pastor Keith Wooden will have the honor of officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Gathering Together, 147 N. Center St., Plainfield, IN 46168. Online condolences may be made to [fisherfunerals.com](http://fisherfunerals.com). Fisher Family Funeral Services have been entrusted with the arrangements.



DAILY BIBLE VERSE

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

- Mark 9:23

50 Years Ago

February 25, 1965

News: Traffic still hampered by draft and icy roads.

Sports: Sectional will open after 2-day delay

Deal of the Day: Wicks has sale on suspend ceilings.

Janet Marie Crouse

May 8, 1943 - February 23, 2015

Janet Marie Crouse, 71, Lapel, passed away Monday, February 23, 2015, at her home following an extended illness.



She was born on May 8, 1943, in Hartford City, Indiana to Arza and Vera (Macon) Cline.

She graduated from Hartford City High School in 1961.

Janet cooked at several schools in the Hamilton South-eastern School system including Durbin Elementary and Hamilton Southeastern High School. After retirement, she worked in the snack bar at the Stony Creek Golf Course.

She attended the Fall Creek Christian Church in Pendleton. She loved to play euchre with her club members; enjoyed golfing, meeting people, and traveling. The joy of her life was spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Samuel P. Crouse; three daughters, Brenda (husband, Jeff) Mack of Fishers, Wanda(husband, David) Brattain of Noblesville, and Paula (husband, Scott) Manchess of Pendleton; eight grandchildren, Lindsey and Joseph Collins, Samuel and Laura Brattain, and Erica, Emma, Erin, and Ellie Manchess; one great-grandson, Logan McClaren; two sisters, Loretta (husband, John) Croy of Warsaw, and Lois Ann (husband, Dale) Stinson of Pierceton; and her son-in-law, Kerry Collins of Fishers.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, Raymond Cline.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 am Friday, February 27, 2015, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home in Lapel with Pastor Tom Wiles officiating. Burial will follow in Brookside Cemetery, Lapel.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm Thursday, February 26, 2015, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home, 1010 North Main Street, Lapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to A A S L D, 1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 400, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

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# MCMAHON

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costs of heart disease total more than \$320.1 billion. That includes health expenditures and lost productivity.

While heart disease statistics have been available and research conducted for many years regarding heart disease and men, both research and information-gathering for women's heart issues are relatively recent. While only 1 in 5 American women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat, heart disease causes 1 in 3 women's deaths each year, killing approximately one woman every minute. Ninety percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease. The symptoms of heart disease can be different in women and men, and are often misunderstood.

Thankfully, the information noted above, and much more, is readily available. I encourage everyone to talk frankly with their health provider about their risk factors, review their dietary habits, and make this a priority. My own viewpoint on the subject also incorporates getting adequate sleep, removing stress, "getting up from sofas and

chairs" and making the necessary life changes which can alter those statistics.

Additionally, the effects of isolation and loneliness have been widely studied as it relates to heart disease. I encourage readers to learn more about the "Roseto" effect in which a close-knit community experiences a reduced rate of heart disease. A recent PBS special documentary revealed attributes of positive relationships which reflect on our heart health. Information is also available online for those who wish to search for more information. The effect is named for Roseto, Pennsylvania and describes family and community interaction there and the healthy effect on the inhabitants.

My quote this week may seem a little odd, but I hope that as we close up the month of February you do take responsibility and become a "miner for a (healthy) heart of gold." Let's strive for the "gold standard" in heart health by consuming fewer trans fats, packaged foods high in

sodium, refined carbs, fried foods, and whole milk products. Working on establishing better family and working relationships, getting in those 10,000 steps each day, and adequate rest will do your heart good!

Sources: *CDC.gov – Heart Disease Facts*  
*American Heart Association – 2015 Heart Disease and Stroke Update*, compiled by AHA, CDC, NIH and other governmental sources

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# FAIR

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Chance also said, GSN is "coordinating an effort to make sign-up readily available to the public at this year's event for the NEW Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP2.0)." Adding, "This is our state's homegrown consumer-driven health care coverage program for low-income adults. We are very excited assist the general public in readily finding out how the plan works, its benefits, and eligibility requirements. All five hospitals represented on site to support sign-up and ensure quality."

Chance added, "We are very pleased to have over one hundred exhibitors and vendors who will be on site sharing valuable resources that will help individuals and families with health-care decision making." She also said, "Just as importantly we are thrilled to have FREE screenings that will be available to the public. Some include,

Lung Health, Spinal Mobility, Stress Survey, Chiropractic Screen, Respiratory and Blood Pressure."

The event will host over 100 booth spaces and some participants already include: BrightStar Healthcare, Cancer Support Community, CICOA Aging & In-Home Solutions, Connect2Help 211, Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana, Family Development Services: Hamilton County Head Start, Heart and Soul Clinic, Indiana Adoption Program, Jones Chiropractic & Maximum Health, Office of the Attorney General, Prevail, PrimeLife Enrichment, Ryan White/HIV Services Program of the Marion County Public Health Department, Safe Families for Children, Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County, St. Vincent de Paul Center, Vectren Energy Delivery and Wellbrooke. Additionally

numerous food, clothing and baby pantries will be represented. Various exhibitors will provide educational information and health resources, as well as free give-a-ways for those visiting different booths. Additionally door prizes will be drawn by those who complete a survey as participants at the event.

Again this year the Indiana Department of Child Services Hamilton County Office will be a featured exhibitor at the event, emphasizing two critical areas: protection of children and child support enforcement. The mission of the department is to protect children from abuse and neglect by partnering with families and communities to provide safe, nurturing, and stable homes.

Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County, Inc., is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit focused on assisting the at-risk population in

Hamilton county. Client referrals are received from a variety of social service agencies, churches, township trustees, food pantries, local hospitals and government emergency agencies. GSN also works with the Hamilton County Schools, Sheriff, Police and Fire Departments. Direct services include serving at-risk and underserved individuals and families within Hamilton County. Typical service streams are emergency or crisis intervention, educational resources and support. InDirect services include the GSN Network which was established to ensure efficiency and communication among the different agencies and social services that support and assist the at-risk and underserved residents of Hamilton County.

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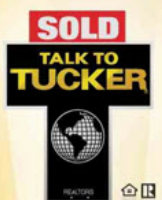


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Weather information...

Noblesville’s west side survives power outage

The west side of Noblesville on Monday evening survived a evening power outage with out any major incidents.

Duke Energy, which services the area, has reported to The Hamilton County Reporter that power outage in approximately 1,500 home extended over a two-hour period, from 10:30 p.m. until 12:45 a.m.

A broken underground cable was the reason for the outage.

Service to all homes was restored about 2 a.m. Some had been restored earlier, but then lost power for a second time.

Hamilton County Emergency Management reported that they did not receive any calls for help from residents in that area. The American Red Cross, whose regional office is located in Indianapolis, said they had not received a call.

Noblesville Deputy Mayor Michael Hendricks, whose home was one of those which lost power, said the City hadn’t received any calls for help.

TRAVEL ADVISORY ISSUED

A Travel Advisory has been issued for roads in the unincorporated areas of Hamilton County. Unincorporated areas are those in which the roads are owned and maintained by Hamilton County rather than by cities or towns. Motorists may come across unexpected hazards, especially in the northern parts of the county, as the wind blows snow across the pavement and as melts from earlier in the day refreeze.

A yellow Travel Advisory is the lowest level of local advisory and means that routine travel or activities may be restricted in areas because of a hazardous situation. Individuals should use caution or avoid

those areas as roads may be snow covered, slick, and potentially dangerous.

Hamilton County Emergency Management along with the Sheriff’s Office will continue to monitor road conditions and will update the advisory as needed. If stranded, involved in a slide-off or crash, or in need due to a weather related incident, contact Hamilton County Communications at 317-773-1282 or 9-1-1 for an emergency.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFERING SEVERE STORM SPOTTER CLASS

When bad weather is forecast to roll across Hamilton County, the meteorologists of the National Weather Service, local television stations, and the Hamilton County Emergency Operations Center rely on a trained cadre of severe storm spotters to provide the “ground truth” of dangerous, damaging weather phenomena.

While most of those braving the high winds, hail, lightning and sometimes tornadic activity are first responders and licensed radio amateurs transmitting real time observations directly to the command center using their mobile radios, others are trained citizens reporting by Internet or cell phones.

On Saturday, March 7, anyone interested in becoming a severe weather spotter is invited to attend a free two-hour class from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Noblesville Fire Station No. 6, 16800 Hazel Dell Road. Sponsored by the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency, NWS Meteorologist Dave Tucek will present a variety of gripping videos, charts and real life examples of Indiana’s severe weather outbreaks.

Additionally, there will be handouts on spotter techniques and becoming a licensed radio amateur. Representatives from the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency will be available to answer any questions about emergency weather conditions, amateur radio and storm watch operations in the county. An evening class will be held at 7 p.m., March 30, at Carmel Fire Station Hdqrs. No. 41, 2 Civic Square in Carmel.

For more information contact Joe March, public information officer for the Hamilton County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (R.A.C.E.S.) at 317-748-1926.

TIPS TO AVOID FREEZING PIPES

With more cold weather ahead this week across the state, Indiana American Water is urging customers to secure homes and businesses against freezing pipes to avoid costly repairs.

Indiana American Water President Alan DeBoy stresses that it's important to make preparations to prevent water damage from frozen and burst pipes before temperatures plunge. “Although the winter season can pose many challenges to a homeowner, one of the biggest and most costly is the risk of frozen pipes. When ice expands inside pipes, it can crack and burst the pipe, leaving homeowners with a costly plumbing bill, and thousands of dollars in damages from water leaking inside the house,” he explained.

Luckily, these problems are preventable by evaluating areas of vulnerability throughout the home. Implementing the following winterization tips now can help avoid headaches later:

- Search your house for uninsulated pipes, especially in unheated areas. Consider wrapping pipes with electric heating tape, but follow manufacturers’ instructions carefully to avoid a fire hazard.
- Seal cracks and holes in outside walls and foundations, especially where cable TV or phone lines enter the house, with caulking to keep cold winds away from pipes.
- If your home is heated by a hot-water radiator, bleed the valves by opening them slightly. Close them when water appears.
- Make certain that the water to your hose bibs is shut off inside your house (via a turnoff valve), and that the lines are drained.
- Drain and shut off entirely the water to any unoccupied residence such as a summer or vacation home. A loss of power during a winter storm could cause pipes to freeze. If you intend to leave a property entirely without heat, be sure to drain all water to prevent the possibility of frozen pipes.
- Set the thermostat at 55 degrees if you’re going out of town. Although you may be able to get away with a lower temperature, this setting is considered to be safe for pipes.
- Consider wrapping your water heater in an insulation blanket. While not really at danger for freezing, this can lower your heating bills.

Additional information on preventing frozen pipes is available on the company’s home page at [www.indianaamwater.com](http://www.indianaamwater.com).

Conner Prairie hosts day for girls...

Passport to Hi-Tech on March 7

In today's workforce, women hold 57 percent of the nation's bachelor's degrees and more than 60 percent of master's degrees but remain greatly under-represented in the science and engineering fields. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, women are working less than a quarter of the nation’s science and engineering jobs.

To help change those numbers, Conner Prairie is partnering with Women & Hi Tech to again host [Passport to Hi-Tech](#), a Roche-sponsored program that encourages girls ages 7-12 to explore careers in science, technology, engineering and math.

More than 1,200 girls are expected at the 10 a.m.-4 p.m. event March 7. Free for museum members, admission is \$6 for non-member Girl Scouts in uniform and their family members. General admission for non-members is \$8.

Girls can participate in hands-on experiments and interactive exhibits throughout the day and explore biology, chemistry, engineering, manufacturing, computer science and other disciplines.

At 11 stations located throughout the museum’s Welcome Center, girls can engage with female experts and professionals

working in STEM-related fields and ask questions, help with hands-on experiments, participate in interactive tasks and learn more about careers. Girls will have their passports stamped after visiting each station, helping them decide what fields they found most interesting.

Special presentations from local professionals will include Angela Freeman, intellectual property associate at Barnes and Thornburg; Maria Blanco, director of discovery chemistry research and technologies at Lilly; Tiffany Trusty, president of Trusty WebDev; and Barb Alder, director of Purdue University’s Office of Engagement.

Technology hosts include Roche, Cummins, Rolls Royce, Garrity Tool, Dow AgroScience, Raidious, IndianaFirst Robotics, Create and Play, Society for Women Engineers, IUPUI School of Computing and Informatics and Six Feet Up. Education hosts are Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis School of Engineering and Technology, Purdue University, Butler University, Indiana State University, Ivy Tech Community College and Saint Mary-of-the Woods College.

Parking Task Force’s first meeting is March 4

Mayor John Ditslear has announced the formation of a new Parking Task Force in order to examine and address concerns that have been expressed about parking in downtown Noblesville. The Task Force consists of representatives from the City of Noblesville, the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce, Noblesville Main Street, the Noblesville Common Council, and downtown business owners, merchants, and residents. The group will hold its first meeting on March 4<sup>th</sup>.

At its first meeting, the Task Force will be compiling a master list of parking issues that have been expressed by the public and downtown business owners and merchants. The group will then begin

the process of addressing each issue by: 1) providing clarification and correcting misunderstandings when needed, and 2) evaluating and creating various options to help solve parking concerns.

“I have created this group in an effort to collaborate with interested organizations and individuals to help solve parking issues. Each member of the Task Force has heard various concerns about parking and we all share the goal of wanting to improve downtown parking. While we cannot solve each concern to everyone’s satisfaction, I believe it makes sense for us to all meet as a group and work together to create solutions whenever possible,” said Mayor Ditslear.

Traffic change at 276th/Devaney Road today

Due to the weather, the Hamilton County Highway Department will now be changing the stop sign condition at 276th Street and Devaney Road today, Wednesday, Feb. 25. The stop signs will be installed on Devaney Road and will be removed from 276th Street.



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# Hamilton County Leadership Academy receives sizable grant

The Hamilton County Leadership Academy (HCLA) is pleased to announce that they have recently received a \$9,500 grant from the Duke Energy Foundation to support the academy’s community leadership development program. “This grant will help prepare local leaders to assume active roles in a number of Hamilton County organizations,” said Mark LaBarr, Duke Energy Indiana government and community relations manager. “Giving back to our communities is an important part of who we are.”

The HCLA is funded primarily by tuition, grants, sponsorship and personal donations. "We are proud to name Duke Energy as our Platinum Leadership Partner for 2015," says Jill Doyle, Executive Director of HCLA. “It is clear Duke Energy is very committed to the community and to the development of leaders in Hamilton County.”

Hamilton County Leadership Academy is a leadership development program that identifies and prepares informed leaders for our community. Program participants are brought together by their commitment of time, energy, expertise and their desire to be involved in Hamilton County.

The over 570 graduates of our program are found throughout the community holding elected office, serving in appointed positions, and serving on local Boards. They are our local leaders who are working to create and sustain a thriving community for all of us to live, work and play.

Duke Energy Indiana’s operations provide about 7,500 mega-



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Mark LaBarr, government and community relations manager of Duke Energy Indiana, presents a grant check to Jill Doyle, Executive Director of the Hamilton County Leadership Academy.

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For more information on the Hamilton County Leadership Academy, contact Jill Doyle at 606-0324 or [jdoyle@hcla.net](mailto:jdoyle@hcla.net) or visit the website at [hcla.net](http://hcla.net).

## D-A Lubricant relocates Brad Penn production to Lebanon

### Press Release

D-A Lubricant, Inc., a manufacturer and distributor of automotive lubricants, announced plans today to relocate production of Brad Penn Lubricants from Bradford, Pennsylvania to here, creating up to 25 new jobs by 2018.

The homegrown-Hoosier company will invest \$3.9 million to equip its 250,000 square-foot headquarters facility at 801 Edwards Drive. Acquiring Brad Penn Lubricants last year, the company plans to begin producing Brad Penn high-performance oils in Indiana in April, helping the company gain a greater presence in the motor-sports industry.

"Doing business in Indiana is like operating a well-oiled machine," said Eric Doden, president of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. "We've built a business climate in Indiana that allows companies like D-A Lubricant to expand with ease, helping Indiana lead the nation in manufacturing job growth."

D-A Lubricant, which currently employs 130 full-time associates, including more than 100 in Indiana, has already begun hiring for office, administrative, manufacturing and warehouse positions. Interested applicants may visit [www.dalube.com](http://www.dalube.com) for career opportunities.

"We considered our options when we were faced with the challenge to expand our production capabilities," said Mike Protogere, chief executive officer of D-A Lubricant Company. "We chose to continue our growth in Lebanon, Indiana primarily for its outstanding business environment, a strong pool of local talent, geographic loca-

tion and the support we received from the state and local officials. We're excited for the future and continued growth in Lebanon, Indiana."

Founded in 1919, D-A Lubricant supplies lubricants to the heavy duty, automotive, industrial and original equipment manufacturer markets. The company offers a complete line of performance-engineered products and services to keep equipment at maximum operating efficiency. D-A Lubricant operates distribution facilities in six states and ships lubrication products around the world.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation offered D-A Lubricant, Inc. up to \$100,000 in conditional tax credits and up to \$100,000 in training grants based on the company's job creation plans. These tax credits are performance-based, meaning until Hoosiers are hired, the company is not eligible to claim incentives. The city of Lebanon approved additional incentives at the request of the Boone County Economic Development Corporation.

"I'm thrilled D-A Lubricant is expanding its operation in Lebanon," said Lebanon Mayor Huck Lewis. "D-A Lubricant relocated to Lebanon looking for a friendly business environment and quality rail service in 2011. The company's needs were met, and long-lasting relationship was formed. It's great to see this quality partnership leading to the growth of a quality Lebanon business. We look forward to continued bright future of D-A Lubricant."

Items ranging from baked goods to automotive parts are all manufactured in Indiana.

## Riverview Health to host sinus and allergy seminar

Riverview Health will host a sinus and allergy seminar from 6-7 pm on Wednesday, March 18, 2015.

Learn more about sinus and allergy issues and treatment options with Dr. Michael Agostino, a board certified ear, nose and throat specialist.

The seminar will take place at Riverview Health in the Krieg DeVault Conference Room, located in the lower level of the Women’s Pavilion. A light dinner will be served. The program is free, but registration is required. Register at [riverview.org/classes](http://riverview.org/classes) or call 317.776.7999.

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There is something for everyone at the 2015 Hamilton County SWCD Annual Meeting. Meet with exhibitors between educational sessions and enjoy a great meal with us on February 26th! Educational sessions with PARP (\$10 fee for PARP credit), CCA, and CCH credits are available as well as sessions of interest to any property owner. Learn about pollinators, pesticides and well capping, common threats to our trees, and how your property can be home to a bountiful orchard. A delicious meal by Carolyn Moreland Catering will be provided and our short business meeting will allow Hamilton County residents the opportunity to vote for a SWCD board supervisor, hear about the District's successes in 2014 and recognize conservation partners that went above and beyond last year.

#### **Education Sessions: “Protecting Pollinators from Agricultural Hazards”**

*Phil Gibson, Certified Crop Advisor, Bayer Crop Science*

- PARP Credit
- CCH 1-credit (cat. 1 & RT)
- CCA 1-credit (Integrated Pest Management)
- Phil will be discussing the importance of protecting pollinators from agricultural hazards, and will cover the following: A. Why Important (Feeding a Hungry World, Population Growth in Emerging Economies) B. Benefit of Pollinators (Fruit & Vegetables, Worldwide Food Production) C. Pollinator Threats (Parasites, Nutrition, Diseases, Pesticides) D. Pollinator Protection and Health (Communication, Be Aware of Surroundings, Ensure Seed is Planted to Minimize Dust) E. Projects to Improve Pollinator Health + Safety (Communication, Cover Crops, Flowers & Trees, Current Stewardship – Seed Finishers & Fluency Agent).

#### **“Common Tree Pests”**

*Aren Flint, Urban Forester and Project Manager, Davey Resource Group*  
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#### **“Keeping Pesticides Out of the Water Supply/Capping Abandoned Wells”**

*Curt Emanuel, Extension Educator (ANR & CED), Purdue Extension*  
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Curt will be discussing the importance of keeping pesticides out of the water supply when mixing chemicals, and steps that can be taken to avoid well contamination. This session will also include a discussion on proper procedures to plug an abandoned well.

#### **“Starting and Managing a Home Orchard”**

*Roy Ballard, Purdue Extension agent & orchard owner*  
In this session, Roy Ballard, Purdue Extension Educator and practitioner will discuss how to start and manage a small home orchard. He will discuss what trees do well in Central Indiana, spacing and size. Roy will also discuss how to manage your fruit trees for pests, production and pruning.



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Fishers’ Austin Smith finished fourth at the Tigers’ diving regional on Tuesday. Smith is one of three Hamilton County divers to qualify for this Saturday’s state meet.

*Fishers boys diving regional...*

# Three county divers qualify for state

Three Hamilton County divers have qualified for the state tournament after their performances at the Fishers regional on Tuesday.

The Tigers have two of those state divers. Austin Smith placed fourth at his home pool, scoring 452.75 points in 11 dives. Cole VanDevender placed sixth, with a score of 408.50 points.

Westfield's Trevor Crupi also made it to state, getting eighth place with 386.45 points. The top eight at each regional earn a spot at state.

Also participating at the regional were Westfield's Jordan Loeser, (10th, 364.40 points), Noblesville's Ian Medley (11th, 356.00), Carmel's George Schrader (12th, 346.95) and Hamilton Southeastern's Hayden Wenger (15th, 243.30 points).

The state diving tournament begins at 9 a.m. Saturday at the IUPUI Natatorium. The 32 state qualifiers will have five first-round dives. The top 20 advance to the semi-finals to perform three more dives, then the top 16 will get three more dives in the final to determine the state champion.

## County swimmers receive callbacks to state

Several Hamilton County swimmers received callbacks to the boys state swimming meet on Tuesday, meaning their times were fast enough to fill a field of 32 in each event.

Noblesville had the most callbacks with four. Isaac Johnston qualified in the 50 freestyle, Nathan Olberding got the call in the 100 free, Jake Seyfried received an expected entry into the backstroke (his sectional time was only .01 seconds off the state cut), and the Millers also got their 200 free relay team into the field. With all those additions, Noblesville now has seven qualifiers at the state meet.

Carmel, Fishers, and Hamilton Southeastern all received two callbacks. The Greyhounds' Harrison Stuckey joined the 50 free field, while Stefano Batista earned a spot in the breaststroke. Carmel now has 18 swimmers at the state meet, the most of any school in the state.

The Royals' Wilson Clark also earned an entry in the breaststroke, and HSE's 400 free relay received a place on that event's list. That puts Southeastern at 12 state qualifiers. Fishers' Bradley Jacobs received a callback in the 200 free, and the Tigers' 200 free relay is in as well. Fishers now has nine swimmers at state.



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Noblesville's Ian Medley placed 11th at the Fishers diving regional.

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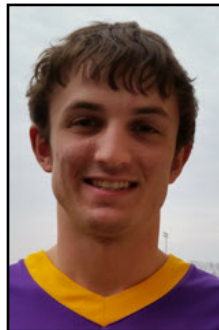


# Seniors begin with 16-1 bang

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

Often time high school coaches will on Senior Night start all seniors, out of respect. Guerin Coach Pete Smith started all five of his Guerin Catholic seniors Tuesday evening in a game against Anderson in the Eagles Nest. But, not just out of respect. These five seniors wanted to contribute, and they did.

The seniors blew to a 16-1 advantage and led 24-13 as the quarter ended. Anderson never came close after that, with Guerin Catholic winning 69-56. Of course, this senior group was on the court with Matt Holba. The 6-6 Guerin senior poured in 10 points in the quarter.



Holba

**Star of the Game:** Matt Holba tallied a double-double for Guerin with 25 points and 11 rebounds.  
**Guerin Catholic's Record:** Won 15, Lost 8.  
**Next Up:** Guerin Catholic will play Herron in the Marshall Sectional on Tuesday.

Holba had 18 points at halftime on way to a 25-point performance. He also finished with a double-double, collecting 11 rebounds. "The seniors got us off to a good start," Smith said. "We wanted to give the seniors lots of minutes tonight." Actually, Smith gave most everyone plenty of minutes. Out of the basic nine Eagles he used, eight scored. Holba was the only Eagle in double figures, but Nick Schneider and Christian Munson each tossed in nine points and Matt Labus and Brian Matthews each added seven

It was that kind of Senior Night celebration in Guerin's final game of the regular season. On the night, Guerin Catholic hit 24-of-48 shots. After trailing 37-22 at halftime, Anderson was down 57-34 after three periods. The Indians caught up, a little, in the fourth quarter as Smith went even deeper on his bench. "I think we're ready (for the sectional)," Smith said. "We can't give up the base line or force passes. "We've played a good 23 game schedule." With the win, Guerin Catholic finished the regular season with a 15-8 record. The Eagles won five of their last seven games. "It was a great atmosphere with our crowd on Senior Night, and with the band," Smith said. Guerin will open play in he Marshall Sectional next Tuesday against Herron.



Brian Reddick/File photo

Christian Munson, shown here in an earlier game, scored nine points for Guerin Catholic in it's Tuesday win over Anderson.

## Guerin Catholic 69, Anderson 56

Guerin	FG	FT	TP	PF
Matt Holba	9-16	6-8	25	1
Nick Schneider	3-5	3-4	9	2
Alex Mazanowski	2-4	2-2	6	5
Cameron Lindley	1-4	2-2	4	0
Matt Labus	2-3	2-2	7	0
Brian Matthews	3-8	1-2	7	0
Christian Munson	3-5	2-3	9	0
Calen Cunningham	1-2	0-0	2	0

Matthew Godfrey	0-0	0-0	0	0
Christian Daniels	0-1	0-0	0	0
Grant Fremion	0-0	0-0	0	0
Rhett Helt	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	24-48	18-23	69	8
Score by Quarters:				
Guerin	14	13	20	12 – 69
Anderson	13	9	12	22 – 56
Guerin 3-Pointers (3-8): Holba 1-2, Lindley 0-1, Labus 1-1, Matthews 0-2, Munson 1-2.				
Guerin Rebounds (23): Holba 11, Lindley 1, Labus 3, Matthews 4, Munson 1, Cunningham 2, Godfrey 1.				

## 'Rocks fall to Mount Vernon

Westfield was overwhelmed by Mount Vernon 69-33 in a Tuesday away game. The Marauders led 15-2 after the first quarter and 41-9 at halftime. Sawyer Olsen scored nine points for the Shamrocks, while Charlie Warner led the rebounding with five.

**Star of the Game:** Sawyer Olsen scored nine points.  
**Westfield's Record:** Won 4, Lost 18.  
**Next Up:** The Shamrocks play Hamilton Southeastern next Wednesday in the first round of the Carmel Sectional.

## Mount Vernon 69, Westfield 33

Westfield (33)	FG	FT	TP	PF
Aaron Bennett	0-4	0-0	0	0
Robbie Lynch	4-4	0-0	8	1
Kyle Nicole	1-6	0-0	2	0
Spencer Tebbe	3-5	2-3	8	4
Conner Osswald	1-9	0-0	2	0
Ian Kristensen	0-2	0-0	0	1
Charlie Warner	1-9	2-2	4	3

Newman Ward	0-3	0-0	0	0
Sawyer Olsen	3-7	1-1	9	1
Totals	13-49	5-6	33	10
Score by Quarters				
Westfield	2	7	9	15 - 33
Mount Vernon	15	26	14	14 - 69
Westfield 3-point shooting (2-25) Olsen 2-4, Osswald 0-5, Bennett 0-4, Nicole 0-4, Warner 0-3, Ward 0-3, Tebbe 0-1, Kristensen 0-1.				
Westfield rebounds (18) Warner 5, Nicole 3, Tebbe 3, Olsen 3, Lynch 2, Bennett 1, Kristensen 1.				



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Four in double figures for Sheridan...

# Big first half sends Blackhawks to win

By RICHIE HALL  
Reporter Sports Editor

The Sheridan boys basketball team halted a four-game losing streak on Tuesday, beating Bethesda Christian 67-56 at Larry Hobbs Gymnasium.

The Blackhawks played well in the first half, breaking away from a 5-5 tie to lead 22-11 after the first quarter. The long-range shooting was working for Sheridan, with Chris Roberts, Garrett Chesney and Taylor Ly all making 3-pointers late in the quarter. Brock Kitchel had a '3' early; that put the 'Hawks ahead 5-3. Sheridan trailed 3-2 early, but not again after Kitchel's basket.

Ly's 3-pointer was the last basket of the first period, and started a 12-0 run for the Blackhawks. Kitchel scored five more points, on a '3' and two foul shots. Ly drained another 3-pointer to get Sheridan up 34-14, and that lead held into halftime, with the 'Hawks ahead 38-18.

Sheridan wound up making eight '3's on the night, going 8-of-14. The Blackhawks had a solid shooting night, going 26-of-42 overall.

"I'm happy to see that," said Schrank. "We played Western Boone last Thursday and didn't shoot it as well, only shot like 30 percent. This is big for us going forward. I think the guys feel confident about the way

their shooting the ball. We got contributions from just about everybody. Going into the sectional next week, we're going to need to have that again all week, as long as we're in it."

But Bethesda scored the last basket of the half, and that turned into a 12-0 run for the Patriots. Sheridan's lead had dropped to 38-28 by the midway point of the third.

Elliott Barker stopped BC's run with a layin, although a quick five points got the Patriots to within 40-33.

Roberts didn't allow Bethesda any closer, as he made a huge 3-pointer with under two minutes left in the third. That started a run of 10 unanswered points for Sheridan.

**Star of the Game:** Jake Chesney scored 12 points, and had nine rebounds and seven assists.

**Sheridan's Record:** Won 5, Lost 15.

**Next Up:** The Blackhawks host Frankton on Friday.

Just like the other two big runs, this one carried over into the next period.

"We did what we had to do there," said Schrank. "We had some guys make smart plays. We were kind of rushing things when they went on that little spurt. We weren't taking the greatest of shots. We settled down a little bit, recognized that we had some things that we could do to fix things. Just do what we had to do to take care of it."

Eventually, Sheridan led 50-33 early in the fourth quarter. The Blackhawks had enough to keep a comfortable difference during that period, holding off a last run by Bethesda Christian that got the score down to 58-49.

But Sheridan scored a quick six points to put the game out of reach. Kitchel made a layin and two foul shots, with Roberts draining a pair of free throws in between. Barker put the icing on the cake with a 3-pointer.

Four players hit double figures for the 'Hawks. Kitchel scored 16 points, Barker had 14, while Jake Chesney and Roberts both scored 12. Jake Chesney also grabbed nine rebounds and dished out seven assists.



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Sheridan 67, Bethesda Christian 56				
Sheridan (67)	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jake Chesney	6-10	0-2	12	0
Brock Kitchel	5-9	4-4	16	2
Garrett Chesney	2-5	0-0	5	2
Robert Sizemore	1-3	0-0	2	2
Elliott Barker	5-6	1-3	12	3
Chris Roberts	5-7	2-2	14	3
Taylor Ly	2-2	0-0	6	1
Patrick Weitzel	0-0	0-0	0	1
Austin Sexson	0-0	0-0	0	0
Tommy Glidden	0-0	0-0	0	0
Aidan Roaten	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	26-42	7-12	67	14
Score by Quarters				
Bethesda	11	11	11	23 - 56
Sheridan	22	16	9	20 - 67
Three-point shooting: Sheridan (8-14) Kitchel 2-6, Ly 2-2, Roberts 2-2, G. Chesney 1-3, Barker 1-1; Bethesda Christian (4-15).				
Rebounds: Sheridan (23) J. Chesney 9, Kitchel 4, Roberts 4, Barker 3, Sizemore 2, G. Chesney 1; Bethesda Christian (18).				
Turnovers: Sheridan 17, Bethesda Christian 4.				



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## Noblesville gymnasts beat Marion

The Noblesville gymnastics team set a new season high score Tuesday while beating Marion in a dual meet.

The Millers scored 97.35 to the Giants' 93.75. Noblesville also had the all-around champion for the night, with Esma Taylor scoring a 32.425.

"I was very proud of all the girls tonight as we not only accomplished a win tonight but we also incorporated more difficult skills into our routines," said NHS coach Jody Ramey. "This was a big win for us tonight as we were trying to improve our team score. We had excellent vault scores this evening from a number of our gymnasts."

Anna Dorris scored Noblesville's highest mark of the evening, with an 8.90 on her vault. Dorris was the individual runner-up in the vault, while Taylor was second in the floor exercise (8.50) and uneven bars (8.00).

"This truly was a team effort this evening, and I couldn't be more proud of this young team," said Ramey.

Noblesville finishes up its regular season Thursday, hosting Bloomington South at Noblesville East Middle School. The dual meet begins at 6:30 p.m.

Team scores: Noblesville 97.35, Marion 93.75.

All-around scores: 1. Esma Taylor 32.425, 3. Ronnie VanBuskirk 31.50.

Vault: 2. Anna Dorris 8.90, 4. Kaitlyn Murray 8.60, T5. R. VanBuskirk 8.55; Taylor 8.55, 6. Emily Denham 8.45.

Uneven bars: 2. Taylor 8.00, 3. Dorris 7.925, 4. Maddie VanBuskirk 7.90, 5. R. VanBuskirk 7.725, 6. Murray 7.425.

Balance beam: 3. R. VanBuskirk 7.50, 4. Taylor 7.375, 5. E. VanBuskirk 7.325, Denham 6.10, M. VanBuskirk 5.975.

Floor exercise: 2. Taylor 8.50, 3. Denham 8.45, 4. Dorris 8.325, 6. R. VanBuskirk 7.725, Jenni Giannuzzi 7.475.

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# Carmel’s Cline among Player of the Week honorees

It is bonus time this week as six boys and three girls are recognized for the week of Feb. 16-21 in the in the IBCA/Subway Player of the Week program.

There are co-winners this week in each of the three boys' districts in the awards program overseen by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association -- Carmel senior Ryan Cline and Danville senior Luke Callahan in District 2, Churubusco senior Paul Forman and Marquette Catholic senior Ryan Fazekas in District 1, and Martinsville senior Gannon Myers and Evansville Mater Dei senior Ben Sellers in District 3.

The girls' honorees for the same span are Tippecanoe Valley sophomore Anne Secrest in District 1, Pike senior Brittany Ward in District 2 and Triton Central senior Samantha Dewey in District 3.

The 6-5 Cline averaged 26.0 points and 7.0 rebounds in as Carmel (19-2) posted wins over Warren Central and Warsaw. The Purdue recruit dropped 35 points with seven rebounds while hitting 10-of-17 shots from the field, four 3-pointers and 11-of-15 free throws in a 73-61 decision over the

Warriors. Cline then tallied 17 points and seven rebounds as the Greyhounds topped the Tigers 45-40 in a more deliberate game.

Callahan averaged 30.0 points, 9.5 rebounds and 8.0 blocks as Danville (17-3) clinched the crown in the Sagamore Conference. The 6-7 forward totaled 32 points, nine rebounds and nine blocks in a 95-61 triumph over Fall Creek Academy. Callahan followed with 28 points, 10 rebounds and seven blocks as the Warriors ran past Crawfordsville 75-39 in their final league game. For the week, he made 25-of-39 shots from the field, two 3-pointers and 8-of-12 free throws.

Forman averaged 31.3 points and 9.3 rebounds over three games to help Churubusco improve to 20-3. The 6-7 forward opened with 27 points and 12 rebounds in a 65-60 victory over Garrett. He followed with 35 points and 12 rebounds in a 76-69 setback to Fairfield. The Bethel College recruit then totaled 32 points and seven rebounds in an 84-52 win over Whitko. For three games, Forman sank

30-of-52 shots, 12-of-19 3-pointers and 22-of-26 free throws.

The 6-8 Fazekas averaged 28.0 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.0 assists in propelling Marquette Catholic (17-6) to a pair of triumphs. The Providence College-signee poured in a gym-record 38 points with six rebounds and three assists in a 70-48 home victory over Whiting. Fazekas then tallied 18 points, four rebounds and five assists as the Blazers completed an undefeated Greater South Shore Conference season in a 75-51 win at Calumet. For two games, he was 23-of-38 from the field, 5-of-10 on 3s and 5-of-5 on free throws.

Myers led Martinsville to a win over Whiteland in its only game of the week, a 67-64 decision that delivered a share of the Mid-State Conference championship. The 6-0 guard scored 26 points with four rebounds and four assists as the Artesians improved to 13-6 overall. For the game, Myers was 8-of-13 from the field, including one 3-pointers, and 9-of-10 from the line.

The 6-4 Sellers produced a double-double in sparking Evansville Mater Dei to a 70-44 triumph over Mt. Vernon (Posey) in its only game of the week. Sellers hit for 23 points with 17 rebounds as the Wildcats raised their record to 13-6. He was 9-of-14 from the floor and 5-of-6 from the line.

Secrest averaged 19.7 points and 10.3 rebounds to propel the Tippecanoe Valley girls (24-2) to both sectional and regional crowns over the past week. The 6-0 center tallied 21 points, six rebounds and three blocks in a 62-36 win over Whitko in a weather-delayed sectional final. She then produced 17 points, 12 rebounds and one block in a 50-41 overtime win over Muncie Central in a regional semifinal. Secrest concluded her week with 21 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks in a 47-45 overtime decision over Norwell for a regional crown.

The 6-1 Ward averaged 22.0 points and 12.5 rebounds as Pike (20-8) bowed out of the postseason with a regional runner-up

performance. The Butler University-signee opened with 26 points, 15 rebounds, eight assists and four blocks in a 59-50 win over Richmond. Ward followed with 18 points, 10 rebounds, two assists and two blocks as the Red Devils fell 59-50 to Lawrence North. For the two games, she was 17-of-28 from the floor and 10-of-16 on free throws.

Dewey helped Triton Central reach the regional for the third time in four seasons, but the Tigers' season ended at 23-2 as they lost 69-45 to Class 2A No. 1 Heritage Christian. The 5-7 guard -- a Xavier University soccer recruit -- totaled 18 points, six rebounds, five assists and three steals in the setback.

Other nominees:

**District 2 boys** -- Jackson Anthrop, Lafayette Central Catholic; Pat Bacon, Lawrence North; Desmond Bane, Seton Catholic; C.B. Bennett, Decatur Central; Vijay Blackmon, Marion; Camden Chadd, Southmont; **Tyler Diehl, University**; Eron Gordon, Cathedral; Kyle Guy, Lawrence Central; Brent Hawn, Delphi; Jimmy King, Roncalli; Skyler Kolli, International; **Keegan Kollmeyer, Fishers**; Bryce Moore, Park Tudor; Marquise Moore, Cloverdale; Paul Scruggs, Southport; Tahjai Teague, Pike; C.J. Walker, Indianapolis Tech.

**District 2 girls** -- **Becca Bergman, Noblesville**; Kaylan Coffman, Benton Central; Stephanie Conrad, Norwell; Libby Eller, Carroll (Flora); Tyasha Harris, Heritage Christian; Maci Heimlich, North White; DeAnn Kauffman, Union (Modoc); Rachel Krathwohl, Shenandoah; Abigail McGrath, Monroe Central; Rachel McLimore, Covenant Christian; Cameron Onken, Lafayette Central Catholic; Destiny Perkins, Richmond; Jayla Scaife, Muncie Central; Macee Williams, Fountain Central.

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2	Carmel	358	19-2	
3	Southport	356	20-2	
4	Homestead	335	20-2	1
5	New Albany	302	18-2	
6	Carroll (Fort Wayne)	289	21-2	1
7	Bloomington South	255	17-2	
8	North Central	238	15-5	
9	Park Tudor	190	17-2	
10	East Chicago Central	176	16-3	
11	Lawrence North	173	15-5	
12	Richmond	171	19-3	
13	Mishawaka Marian	137	17-0	
14	Penn	105	19-3	
15	Brownsburg	100	18-5	
16	Ben Davis	86	16-6	
17	Indianapolis Howe	66	18-2	
18	McCutcheon	64	19-3	
19	Pike	56	14-8	
20	Leo	45	20-1	

Others receiving votes: Barr-Reeve, Brownstown Central, Chesterton, Columbia City, Covington, Crown Point, Evansville Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Fort Wayne North Side, Fort Wayne Snider, Fort Wayne South Side, Frankton, Greensburg, Indianapolis Attucks, Jay County, Logansport, Merrillville, Michigan City, Michigan City Marquette, Mooresville, Orleans, Pendleton Heights, Portage, Silver Creek, Terre Haute South Vigo, Valparaiso, Warren Central, Warsaw Community, Yorktown, Zionsville

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# NBA standings

<b>Tuesday's scores</b>		Oklahoma City 105, Indiana 92
Golden State 114, Washington 107		Dallas 99, Toronto 92
Cleveland 102, Detroit 93		

## Eastern Conference

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	37	20	.649	-
Brooklyn	23	31	.426	12.5
Boston	21	33	.389	14.5
Philadelphia	12	44	.214	24.5
New York	10	45	.182	26.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	36	21	.632	-
Cleveland	36	22	.621	0.5
Milwaukee	31	25	.554	4.5
Detroit	23	34	.404	13.0
Indiana	23	34	.404	13.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	44	12	.786	-
Washington	33	24	.579	11.5
Miami	24	31	.436	19.5
Charlotte	22	32	.407	21.0
Orlando	19	39	.328	26.0

## Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Portland	36	19	.655	-
Oklahoma City	32	25	.561	5.0
Utah	21	34	.382	15.0
Denver	20	36	.357	16.5
Minnesota	12	43	.218	24.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	44	10	.815	-
L.A. Clippers	37	20	.649	8.5
Phoenix	29	28	.509	16.5
Sacramento	19	35	.352	25.0
L.A. Lakers	14	41	.255	30.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Memphis	41	14	.745	-
Houston	38	18	.679	3.5
Dallas	39	20	.661	4.0
San Antonio	34	22	.607	7.5
New Orleans	29	27	.518	12.5

# Pacers rolled by hot Thunder

By GREG RAPPAPORT  
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

On Sunday night, the Warriors played without their MVP-caliber guard Stephen Curry, and the Pacers capitalized with a win. But on Tuesday evening, even with reigning MVP Kevin Durant sidelined by a foot injury, the Pacers could not pull out the road win against the fast-breaking Oklahoma City Thunder, now winners of its last seven games.

Behind a Russell Westbrook triple-double (his third of the season) and a torrent of Oklahoma City offense in the second half, the Thunder (32-25) dispatched the Pacers 105-96 in front of their home crowd at Chesapeake Energy Arena.

Despite trailing by as much 15 in the first half, the Pacers (23-34) used an 11-2 run in the second quarter to narrow the lead to six at the half. With no Pacers players in double-figures for scoring after 24 minutes,

the team was looking for someone to carry the offensive load.

When the second half began, C.J. Miles, as he often does, became that someone. The sharpshooting Miles hung up 15 points in the third quarter alone, as the Indiana chipped the lead down to just three points.

But with just over three minutes left in the third frame, the Thunder began to brew up a storm, unleashing a 21-4 blitzkrieg that featured three 3-pointers from Dion Waiters

(14 points) and also saw five consecutive OKC field goals from beyond the arc.

With the gap as wide as 23 points with five minutes remaining, it marked the end of the night for the Pacers, who could not overcome the offensive firepower from a Thunder team seeking to solidify its spot in the hard-charging Western Conference.

For the Pacers, Miles' 21 points led the team, as did Roy Hibbert's 10 boards. The loss was just Indiana's second in its last eight games as they continue to jostle for a spot in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

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**Inside the Numbers**

The Thunder used 23 fast-break points to establish its early lead. 13 of them came in the first frame.

Oklahoma City's 57 rebounds were the most a team has had against the Pacers in regulation this season.

Westbrook's triple-double (20 points, 11 rebounds, 10 assists) was his third of the year, which ties him for the league lead with Michael Carter-Williams and Rajon Rondo.

**Noteworthy**

Had the Pacers won the game, it would have been Frank Vogel's 191 win as Pacers head coach, which would make him the all-time wins leader for Pacers coaches, passing Larry Brown.

The Pacers have now kept their turn-overs at 15 or below for 12 consecutive games (13 tonight).

Playoff Watch: The Pacers now sit 1.5 games back of the eighth seed, currently occupied by Brooklyn.

**Stat of the Night**

Westbrook achieved his 11th career tri-ple-double in the third quarter, and did not even play in the fourth. According to Elias, only LeBron James (20) and Rajon Rondo (22) have had more triple-doubles since Westbrook entered the league in 2008-09.

**Up Next**

The Pacers return to Bankers Life Field-house on February 27 to face LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers in the next Hardwood Classics game.

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