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TODAY'S WEATHER



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# Hamilton County Reporter

# More sprinkles please!

By JANET HART LEONARD  
"Prinkles please Gammaw Janet!"



Two year old Leah wanted candy sprinkles on her pizza.

I told her "just wait Leah, and they will taste even better on something pink!"

Leah loves sprinkles and she loves pink. She found out, after waiting, that she also loves sherbet.

I watched her eyes as she trusted me to keep my word. I watched her eyes as she enjoyed every bite of her sherbet with sprinkles. Leah has a history with me, giving her special surprises, so she trusts me.

What if she had "settled" with sprinkles on her pizza? What if she settled with what she wanted and not enjoyed what Grandma knew would be even better?

And then I thought. What if I had settled with what I wanted and not what God knew would be so much better? So many times I have waited. So many times I have trusted. I had been raised by a mother who taught me what it meant to have faith in God. Waiting. Trusting. Having enough faith to let go of my plans, of having my way or of attempting to control what I thought was best for me. It was never easy.

Giving up a career in decorating that I had loved passionately for 26 years was difficult...extremely difficult. Going into a profession that was so foreign and scary that I told God "couldn't you send me to Africa as a missionary rather than to a car dealership?" But I trusted because I had a history with God. I had seen, first hand, with my mother and then myself, exactly what can happen of you have faith and patience with God. Everything will make sense. Everything will come together...eventually.

What if I had missed out on "the best" because of settling for "the better"? What if I had been too scared? What if?...well, there were lots of them. It was at that car dealership where I met Chuck. It was at that car dealership where so many people have made a difference in my life. It was there that I found the beauty of sprinkles in life. Remember, it was a friend at the dealership who dared me to start writing.

Leah not only got to enjoy sprinkles but she got to enjoy eating something pink, her favorite color. She got more than she had asked.

I too love sprinkles and whipped cream and cherries on top of ice cream. I enjoy the above and beyond what I could have ever hoped or dreamed or prayed for in life.

I want to have the heart and eyes like little Leah. I want to enjoy the pleasure of the little things that

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Sunday Special....Those in the know

# Coaches share their thoughts

**Eric Rauch, Westfield.** "The season has not resulted in as many wins as we would like, but we definitely have played our best basketball in the last month. Playing sophomores and junior is very difficult with our schedule and our conference. But, these kids have been amazing."

**Scott Heady, Carmel.** "The sectional is as balanced as it has been in several years, top to bottom. We started the season with just two returning starters and only three players with varsity experience. I thought we might struggle early until our younger guys got some experience and settled into their roles. But we were able to win some close games early and have really improved as a team later in the season."

**Pete Smith, Guerin Catholic.** "Knock on wood. We're as healthy as we've been all season. Sometimes we're our own worst enemy. We know we have to cut down on unforced turnovers and play better baseline defense. The guys are starting to communicate as well as they have all season."

**Brian McCauley, Noblesville.** "Sectional 8 is one of the most competitive sectionals in the entire state. Two of the last three seasons the state champion and Mr. Basketball have come from our sectional. Two of the best conferences in the state are represented in this sectional. Winning this sectional means the team is one of the best in the state."

**Brandon Lafferman, University.** "Our sectional is loaded with teams that could potentially win it this season. Tindley has not lost to any of the teams in our sectional, and the majority of the other teams have played each other close. We have faired well against most of the teams during the regular season. I expect a very competitive tournament."

**Doug Mitchell, North Central.** "Our sectional is as tough as they come. We feel as though we are playing pretty good right now. There are six other teams who are planning on winning, as well as us. But, I'd take this group anytime and be willing to compete against anybody. We are playing loose and together. We are a tough team to handle."

**Joe Leonard, Fishers.** "When you think of it, there are a lot of teams that could win the state this year. This will truly be a season where you must survive and advance. We have drawn a really good North Central team that could be as good as anybody in the state. We have played a very good schedule and won our (Hoosier Crossroads) conference. But, we still would like to accomplish more."

**Chris Schrank, Sheridan.** "This always as an exciting time of the year. This is what every team is building towards. You hope that you are playing your best in March. I think most would agree that Tipton is the favorite, but I also feel like any team in our sectional could get hot and win two or three games. Our first game with Elwood will be a tough match-up."

**Brian Satterfield, Hamilton Southeastern.** "As usual, our sectional will be a bear. There



Kent Graham/File photo

Brian McCauley is in his first year of coaching the Noblesville boys basketball team, but he is aware of how tough Sectional 8 is.

are lots of quality teams; two in the top 5 of the Sagarin ratings. We played extremely well in our first meeting with Westfield, but that doesn't mean anything for this game. Our group is coming together at the right time. We still haven't put a full game together. We have been close, but close isn't good enough."

**Chad Ballenger, Hamilton Heights.** "Muncie is a great

venue in the historic Walnut Street Fieldhouse. Our motto this year has been Unfinished Business. We felt like we were capable of winning last year, but let one slip away. We are in a better frame of mind, and the schedule has helped us out. We have a saying at this time of year. All games are one possession games."

# Sheridan Rotary goes to the dogs



The Sheridan Rotarians entertained Harry, Joey and Elsa at their Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Harry is an English Cream Retriever, Joey is a mixed breed and Elsa is a Rottweiler. They are all volunteers for a canine reading assistance program locally known as Woof and Books.

Telena Eldridge, B & W Director of Public Relations, is one of the leading proponents of this program that encourages children who are reluctant readers to sit with very gentle dogs and read stories to them. They are currently doing programs in Sheridan at the public library and at the elementary school.

Sheridan PL director Steve Martin says that Eldridge approached her about 2 years

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Photo provided

Woofs and Books characters: (L to R) Harry with Telena, Maria holding Joey and Caroline with Elsa.



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Obituaries

Bettie Jane Hammack

July 14, 1923 - February 27, 2015

Bettie Jane Hammack, 91, of Noblesville, passed away on Friday, February 27, 2015. She was born on July 14, 1923 to Frank and Ethel (Weaver) Wiseman in Noblesville, Indiana.

Bettie worked for Riverview Health as an administrator for 27 years before retiring. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville and Delta Theta Tau. She loved traveling with her husband and her friends. Bettie was an avid reader and also enjoyed volunteering at Riverview Health.

She is survived by children, Sandra (Larry) Wilson and Michael (Mary Jo) Hammack; eight grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by husband, Dale "Diz" Hammack in January 2009; and daughter, Susan Brown.

Services will be held at 12:00 noon on Thursday, March 5, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville, with visitation beginning at 10:00 am until the time of service. Pastor Eric Gale will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

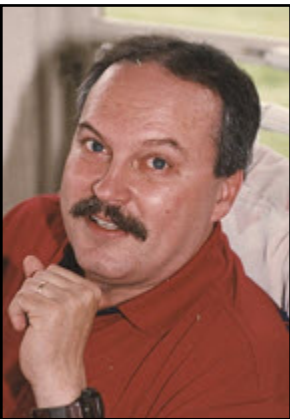
Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville 1207 Conner Street Noblesville, IN 46060 or American Cancer Society 5635 W 96th Street, Suite 100 Indianapolis, IN 46278.

Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).

Gary V. Howard

July 17, 1951 - February 27, 2015

Gary V. Howard, 63, of Noblesville, passed away on Friday, February 27, 2015 at his home. He was born on July 17, 1951 to Wallace and Mary Howard in Noblesville.



Gary worked as an engineer for GM Enterprises for the past year and previously had been self-employed as a consultant. In his spare time he enjoyed golfing and tinkering with computers and other electronics, but most of all, he loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Linda J. Howard; father, Wallace Howard; mother, Mary Howard; children, James Howard and Meredith Howard; step-children, Cory Moser and Jill Jugloff; grandchildren, Hope Sanchez, Zander Moser, Keileigh (Justin) Dantzner, and Tessa Brumbeloe; great-grandson, Jacob Dantzner; and brother, Wally Howard.

A memorial visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association, Indiana Office 8604 Allisonville Road, Suite 140 Indianapolis, IN 46250.

Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).

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DAILY BIBLE VERSE

That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

- 1 John 1:3

50 Years Ago  
March 1, 1965

**News:** State Democrat leadership placed Hamilton County in a new voting district, along with a hodgepodge of other counties.  
**Sports:** Dorothy Robinson and Mary Denger won the doubles championship in the City Tourney at Stardust Bowl in Noblesville. Georgia Reger captured the singles crown.  
**Deal of the Day:** Pinnell-Dolin was holding a paint sale.

Michael Joseph Donyon  
November 6, 1953 - February 26, 2015

Michael Joseph Doyon, 61, Lapel, passed away Thursday, February 26, 2015, at his home following an extended illness.



He was born on November 6, 1953, in South Bend, Indiana to Thomas and Phyllis (Bott) Doyon.

He graduated from John Adams High School in South Bend in 1973 and received an Electrical Engineering Technology degree from Purdue University in 1984.

Michael worked for 35 years in manufacturing, electronics, and maintenance for several companies in central Indiana. Most recently, he had worked as an electronics technician for B. W. Rogers in Noblesville and for building and grounds maintenance at Trinity Life Center.

He was a Vietnam era veteran of the U. S. Army; a 27-year member of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Lapel; and a long-time participant in the church choir.

He had been a volunteer worker for Habitat for Humanity; supporter of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation; and active with his son in Boy Scout Troup 361 of Lapel for 11 years. Michael enjoyed gardening and outdoor projects; travel with family; and reading about history and technology.

He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Laura (Eltzroth) Doyon; one son, Matthew Doyon of Lapel; his parents, Thomas and Phyllis Doyon of Noblesville; two sisters, Jeanne (husband, David) Burns of Carmel, and Christine (husband, Donald) Benkeser of Bowie, MD; his mother-in-law, Samantha Eltzroth of Crown Point; one sister-in-law, Elizabeth Brooks (partner, Patrick Meter) of Delaware, OH; one brother-in-law, Michael (wife, Laurie) Eltzroth of Crown Point; five nieces; four nephews; two great-nieces; and numerous loving friends and family in central Indiana, Elkhart, Wabash, Texas, and Canada.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Joyce Ehresman; a niece; and his father-in-law, Calvin Eltzroth.

Michael's family and friends wish to extend special thanks to the Trinity church family, the medical and oncology teams at Riverview Health and St. Vincent Hospital, Dr. Verhagen, Dr. Compton, Dr. Birhiray, All Ages Home Care, Southern Care Hospice, Pastor Doug Barton, and the D'Ambrosio family.

A funeral service will be held at 11:30 am Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home in Lapel with Pastor Doug Barton officiating. Private burial will take place at a later date.

Visitation will be from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm Monday, March 2, 2015, and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home, 1010 North Main Street, Lapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 606, Lapel, Indiana 46051-0606; American Cancer Society; American Brain Tumor Association, 8550 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, Suite 550, Chicago, Illinois 60631.

Online condolences: [www.hersbergerfuneralhome.com](http://www.hersbergerfuneralhome.com)

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bring great joy. I don't want to focus on what I want or what I think is best for me. I want to live with a heart that smiles when I recognize "the best". I want to recognize that when I don't get my way it may be because the best is just a little ways down the road.

So yes little Leah, always ask for and expect the sprinkles...the wait will be worth it...just like it was for Grandma Janet.

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## Donald Wayne Shockley

September 20, 1925 - February 25, 2015

Donald Wayne Shockley, 89, passed away at his home in Okeechobee, Florida on February 25th, 2015. He was born in Lebanon, Indiana on September 20th, 1925 to Emerald and Ruby (Clossin) Shockley. He was the oldest of seven children. He served in the US Navy during WW II and Korea. After being discharged from the service he graduated from Indiana Business College. He worked 36 years for Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan until his retirement.

He married Marie Shaw (deceased) in June 19, 1949 and together, they had four children - Daniel (deceased), Richard, (Janine) Shockley, Lisa Horsfield and Randall (Rachel) Shockley.

Upon his retirement he moved to Okeechobee, Florida with his companion Nellie Parker with whom he also had a daughter Marla (Russ) Houncell Renton. Together they enjoyed spending time with friends, traveling and managing a bowling alley together.

He was preceded in death by brothers Carl, Keith, and Lavern Shockley. He is survived by siblings Evelyn (Bill) Meyn, Larry (Linda) Shockley, and Lois (Ron) Kramer; seven grandchildren, Chris (Emily) Shockley, Kelly Shockley (fiancée Dan Koschka), Bret Horsfield (fiancée Megan McFearn), Jack Horsfield, Brittany (Jason) Plunket, Nicholas Shockley and Katie Shockley. He was also expecting his first great grandchild, Celia Rose Shockley. Donald will also be greatly missed by Nellie's daughters Cindy, Terri and Sherri, grandchildren Brittani, Cody, Lacie, and great grandchildren Chandler and Piper.

Services will be on Tuesday March 3rd, 2015 at Randall and Roberts Funeral Home at 12010 Allisonville Rd, Fishers, Indiana. Visitation will start at 2:00 PM with a service to follow at 7:00 PM. Interment to follow at a later date at Oak Hill Cemetery, Lebanon, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org)  
Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com)

## Robert G. Coshow

March 22, 1935 - February 28, 2015



Robert G. Coshow, 79, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, February 28, 2015 at Riverview Health. He was born on March 22, 1935 to Walter and Ada (Swaithes) Coshow in Kingston, Missouri.

Bob was the Regional Vice President for Bankers Life and Casualty in Indianapolis for 34 years. He proudly served his country in the United States Army. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Noblesville, Noblesville Masonic Lodge #54, Eastern Star, Scottish Rite, and the Murat Shrine. Bob had a deep love for his family, church, and his country.

He is survived by his loving wife, N. Sue (Starcher) Coshow; son, W. Craig (Cathy) Coshow of Decatur, IN; grandsons, Corey and Cole Coshow; brothers, Norman Keeney, Larry Coshow, and Lowell Coshow; sisters, Ruby Allen, Beulah Rice, and Laurel Miller.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brothers, Bill Keeney and Lloyd Keeney.

Services will be held at 10:30 am on Wednesday, March 4, 2015, at First Christian Church of Noblesville, 16377 Herriman Blvd., in Noblesville, with Pastor Sandra Alleyne officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday, March 3, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, Noblesville with a Masonic service beginning at 7:00 pm. Burial will be at Cowgil, MO at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Christian Church of Noblesville 16377 Herriman Blvd. Noblesville, IN 46060.

Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).

## Hamilton North Public Library announces March programs

The following programs are being offered by the Hamilton North Public Library in March:

### PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

#### TAB on YouTube

**Date:** 3/12/2015  
**Start Time:** 1:00 PM  
**End Time:** 3:00 PM

**Description:** Teens, join us for Teen Tech Week as we edit the library promo video shot on February 13. We'll post it on the library's YouTube channel.

**Library:** Cicero Branch  
**Location:** Indiana Room

**Contact:** For more information, please visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call [317-984-5623](tel:317-984-5623)

#### Teen Advisory Board

**Date:** 3/18/2015  
**Start Time:** 2:30 PM  
**End Time:** 3:30 PM  
**Description:** TAB meets to discuss programming ideas (and other fun projects!) for HNPL's TeenZone. Anyone in grades 6-12 is invited to attend. Snacks provided!  
**Library:** Cicero Branch  
**Location:** Indiana Room

**Contact:** For information, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us), or call Emily at [317-984-5623](tel:317-984-5623)

#### League of Legends After-Hours Gaming

**Date:** 3/20/2015  
**Start Time:** 5:30 PM  
**End Time:** 7:30 PM

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ago with a proposal to bring Harry to the library to give the program a trial run. Harry and his friends started coming on a regular basis for an entire semester and Martin reports that by December the dogs were a big hit. Several young children were reading stories to the dogs each week. Sometimes the children just wanted to sit with the dogs and pat them and hug them. And then somehow the word got over to the school and Woofs and Books dogs started going there on a regular basis.

The dogs have to go through an extensive training program before they can

be accepted into the program and they are never left alone one on one with the children. And reading is just one aspect of the program. Sometimes a parent will bring a child to the library just to visit with the dogs. Occasionally a child is a bit reluctant to interact with an animal, especially a dog, because of a previous bad experience, but the Woofs and Books dogs are very gentle and trained to be very hands-on with children so sometimes this helps mitigate that previous bad experience. It is a win-win situation and program for all involved. As Martin says, sometimes someone

approaches you with an idea that maybe sounds a little crazy but then you find out that it is a very worthwhile program. And it never hurts when the library director and his staff are very fond of dogs!

Parents or educators wishing further information about the Woofs and Books program are encouraged to contact the organization online ([info@woofsandbooks.org](mailto:info@woofsandbooks.org)) or phone them at 317-339-8236.

The Sheridan Rotary Club has formal meetings every first and third Tuesday evenings of the month with supper and an

interesting program. The club meets in the Community Room of the Sheridan Public Library at 6:15 pm on those evenings. Programs are open to the public to attend starting at 6:45 pm. Please contact any Sheridan Rotary member or club secretary Steve Martin at the library (317-758-5201 or [steve@sheridan.lib.in.us](mailto:steve@sheridan.lib.in.us)) about future programs or about joining us for dinner some Tuesday. The Sheridan Public Library is located at 103 West First Street in beautiful uptown Sheridan, just on the country side of Hamilton County, Indiana. Won't you join us?

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LIBRARY

**Description:** Come join us for an after-hours League of Legends event. All participants must have their own account with LoL, as Riot Games prohibits account sharing. Registration is required, as space is limited.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Computer Lab

**Contact:** To register, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us), or call Emily at 317-984-5623

**PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

**Zumba Gold**

**Date:** 3/2/2015, 3/9/2015, 3/16/2015, 3/23/2015, 3/30/2015

**Start Time:** 10:30 AM

**End Time:** 11:30 AM

**Description:** Instructor Janet Snyder will instruct you on the Zumba basics. Ages 50+ Only! Each class is \$6, payable to the instructor.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**PiYo**

**Date:** 3/2/2015, 3/9/2015, 3/16/2015, 3/23/2015, 3/30/2015

**Start Time:** 6:15 PM

**End Time:** 7:30 PM

**Description:** Lose inches, gain strength & flexibility and rejuvenate yourself. Start anytime. Each class is \$5, and a 10 class punch card is available for \$45. Please contact instructor Laura Davis with any questions. She may be reached at 317-407-1802 or at [laurdavis13@yahoo.com](mailto:laurdavis13@yahoo.com).

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**Paranormal Investigation on the Cheap**

**Date:** 3/3/2015

**Start Time:** 6:30 PM

**End Time:** 7:30 PM

**Description:** Join local authors and paranormal investigators Nicole and Michael Kobrowski for Paranormal Investigation on the Cheap. They will show you ways

you can investigate the paranormal this spring for very little money. Registration is requested for this free program.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**Contact:** To register, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

**The GabsBee Quilting Bee**

**Date:** 3/10/2015

**Start Time:** 1:00 PM

**End Time:** 4:00 PM

**Description:** The ladies of GabsBee meet twice monthly for quilting. All experience levels are welcome. No registration necessary.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**Contact:** For information, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

**Morse Lake Weather Lab**

**Date:** 3/10/2015

**Start Time:** 7:00 PM

**End Time:** 7:30 PM

**Description:** Cicero resident Mike Berry talks about the brief history and description of the Morse Lake Weather website and webcam that is used by Indianapolis TV stations including WTTV - channel 4, RTV6 - channel 6, WRTV - channel 13, and Fox 59. He will include some weather history including temperature extremes, rainfall, snow, etc.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**Contact:** For information, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

**Mystery Book Group**

**Date:** 3/23/2015

**Start Time:** 6:30 PM

**End Time:** 7:30 PM

**Description:** We will be discussing *4:50 From Paddington* (originally published as *What Mrs. McGillicuddy Saw!*) by Agatha

Christie. Please see the circulation staff for a copy of the book.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Indiana Room

**Contact:** To register, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

**The GabsBee Quilting Bee**

**Date:** 2/24/2015

**Start Time:** 10:00 AM

**End Time:** 4:00 PM

**Description:** The ladies of GabsBee meet twice monthly for quilting. All experience levels are welcome. No registration necessary.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**Contact:** For information, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

**Spring/Easter Chalkboard-Style Painting with Deanna Leonard**

**Date:** 3/25/2015

**Start Time:** 6:00 PM

**End Time:** 8:00 PM

**Description:** Participants will be painting a Spring/Easter chalkboard style canvas. All materials will be provided. The class is \$20, and registration is required. Teens are welcome, but those under 12 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Meeting Rooms A & B

**Contact:** For information, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

**Brown Bag Reading Group**

**Date:** 2/27/2015

**Start Time:** 11:30 AM

**End Time:** 1:00 PM

**Description:** We will be discussing *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes.

**Library:** Cicero Branch

**Location:** Indiana Room

**Contact:** For more information, visit [www.hnpl.lib.in.us](http://www.hnpl.lib.in.us) or call 317-984-5623

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# As Christ followers, we abide in Him

By LEANN WILSON  
Christian, “*Christianos*”. Not one who merely goes to church, nor one whom has made a confession of faith with the lips but, with that profession goes no further as “even the demons believe and tremble” James 2:19 (NKJV), but one who is a follower (a convert to, an imitator of) of Christ.

The word Christian(s) appears three times in the King James Bible. In Acts 26:28 King “Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian” and the Apostle Peter refers to the pagan applied title when he writes “Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed” 1 Peter 4:16. And, “the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch” Acts 11:26 (NKJV). In around 42-43 A.D. the pagan world dubbed the followers of Christ “Christian” out of contempt and vehemently rejected this group of people as did the Jewry. As those from the Kingdom of Rome are called Roman, and Syrians are called such as they hail from Syria, Christians are called Christian because they are of the Kingdom of Christ. While it was said, we would suffer as followers of Christ neither Jesus nor his disciples ever called us Christians, fellow followers were referred to as disciples, servants, brethren, the elect or saints. The title was applied to the Christians based on what was observed about them. Despite severe persecution the followers remained faithful to Christ and His teachings. The brethren abided in Christ.

As Christ followers we abide *in* Him and He abides *in* us (John 15:4)! To abide-“*meno*” – means we stay in, stand in, continue in, dwell in, endure in, and tarry in (which is to remain in place). We abide in Him through Him. Christian, we don’t just believe in God the external. When we came to our knees in repentance and took Him as savior we became indwelt with His Holy Spirit. We through the Holy Spirit become engrafted with Him. He is grafted into every fiber of our being and into every area of our lives. He, unless you deliberately sepa-

rate yourself from Him, becomes inseparable from us; the naked eye should not be able to perceive where we stop and He begins. We “turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God” 1 Thess 1:9 (NKJV). “By this we know that we are *in* Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked” 1 John 2:5-6 (NKJV). We trust in Him and learn to walk in submission and devotion to His ways and in His love. As a consequence along the way we become increasingly obedient, and “as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice” 1 Sam 15:22 (NKJV). We wear the badge *Christianos* in humility and fear of the LORD as “what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, *and* to keep the commandments of the LORD” Deut 10:12-13 (NKJV). It is a high calling not for the faint of heart and while we will never reach the perfection of Christ on this side of glory we strive toward obedience in submission to His Word.

“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil” Deut 30:15 (NKJV). There are two paths set before us. Matt 7: 13-14 makes known a wide gate and broad path that leads to destruction and a narrow gate with a difficult path leading to life. The broad path is the way of the world, the way of the unrighteous; it is the path of least resistance. The narrow way, this is the path of the obedient walking their way through hardships and difficult decisions. Steps on this path involve making decisions that are neither always comfortable nor agreeable with the ways of the world. Yet, in obedience if you “in all your ways acknowledge Him...He shall direct your paths” Prov 3:6 (NKJV). Therefore, “Ponder the path of your feet, And let all your ways be established. Do not turn to the right or the left; Remove your foot from evil.” Prov 4:26-27 (NKJV). The narrow path will separate us from the world and unfortunately it will also often separate us from certain persons who have been intimately involved in our lives as not all the people in our lives are treading the same path. Sometimes with each step we take on the narrow path it is almost as if a wall is

building between ourselves and those determined to remain in a world that is tenaciously seeking and choosing the easy road with the wide open gate. With each footfall another brick is laid. It is not a wall built to keep others out, but rather a wall that separates one path from the other. As we walk up the path getting closer to the God we love, the higher and higher the wall seems to gets. And, it is a wall we cannot straddle. We can’t have one foot on the path to sanctification and the other on the path to destruction. We are not to be conformed to this world (Romans 12:2); we are not to be partakers with the sons of disobedience sharing in their filthiness and foolish talk (Eph 5:4-7). We cannot abide in relationship with the world. “Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God” James 4:4 (NKJV).

Christian, we abide in Him - we stay in Him, we endure in Him, tarry in Him; by the definition of this title alone our belief and behavior needs to be congruent. When there is inconsistency or confliction in our faith and our walk it creates a dissonance in the soul. A feeling of unrest, confusion, strife, and pain. The further apart the belief and behavior, the greater the dissonance. The dissonance creates a discomfort, a stress that will find a way to relieve itself most often in self destructive ways with negative results including resentment, distraction, an inability to move in any direction, retreat, anger, addictions – to name a few. This stress will continue until something changes. Either the belief has to change or the behavior has to change. You have to make a choice, a decision to follow one path. That includes understanding that there are worldly relationships we cannot abide in. If you are straddling the wall eventually you will either fall toward or be pulled to the path of least resistance. While contemplating your walk remember, “*it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put *Him* to

an open shame” Heb 6:4-6 (NKJV). Just as in musical dissonance – where one note clashes up against the next note, with both notes having been written to be played, the melody will not resolve until you play the next note. If the note lingers unresolved, there remains a harsh sound that hangs - needing something else to be played. Don’t choose to walk away from Him to resolve the dissonance.

Jesus said “**He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me**” Matt 10:37 (NKJV). Your relationship with Christ is the number one relationship. Jesus – the person of God, is the relationship we abide in. We abide in Him and He abides in us. Christian, He is engrafted in you and there is no way to separate the graft without death. Those of the world, “They do not know, nor do they understand” Psalms 82:5 (NKJV).

Put Him first. Our strength is in Him and that strength abides within us. When we meditate on Him and his Word we retreat into our souls where He lives and connect with His spirit that is within us. Here we can actually feel His arms holding, His hands wiping away the tears, His voice saying it will be alright as we walk the difficult path leading to life. Yes, when the world looks at us and examines us under the microscope flaws will still be seen but take comfort in this, “My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world” 1 John 2:1-2 (NKJV).

Choose your path. “I pour out my soul within me. For I used to go with the multitude; I went with them to the house of God, With the voice of joy and praise, With a multitude that kept a pilgrim feast.” Psalms 42:4 (NKJV). “Blessed *is* the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.” Psalms 1:1-2 (NKJV)

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# Boys basketball sectional preview

2 tourneys in one...

## It’s a loaded field at Carmel

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

Two tournaments in one, but come Saturday evening there will be only one crowned champion of Class 4A, Sectional 8 moving on to the regional.

It should be an interesting week at the Carmel Sectional.

\*There will be an upper bracket, loaded with three powerhouse teams all capable of making a bid for the state championship. The bracket includes No. 2 ranked Carmel; No. 8 ranked North Central, and a Fishers team which won the strong Hoosier Crossroads Conference. Carmel won the strong MIC Conference.

\*In the bottom bracket will be four very good basketball teams hoping on Saturday evening to get a shot at upsetting the team which comes out of the top bracket. Westfield will get a second chance at Hamilton Southeastern and Noblesville will get a second shot at Zionsville.

“As usual our sectional will be a bear,” said Brian Satterfield, whose Hamilton Southeastern team won all the marbles last year.

“Sectional 8 is one of the most competitive sectionals in the entire state,” offered Noblesville mentor Brian McCauley. “Two of the last three season the state champion and Mr. Basketball have come out of our sectional.”

While this will be McCauley’s first season coaching in Sectional 8, he isn’t new to winning sectional titles. He came to Noblesville this season after winning four straight and five of six sectional championships at Kokomo. Four seasons ago, McCauley led the Wildkats to the state championship title game, losing to Bloomington South. Two of the last three seasons McCauley’s Kokomo team was eliminated by Carmel in the regional.

First out of the gate, in the only Tuesday contest at the Eric Clark Activity Center, will be a rematch of North Central and Fishers. North Central defeated Fishers 69-47 back on Dec. 29 at Central. Coach Doug Mitchell’s NC machine is 3-0 against Sectional 8 teams, having also beaten Carmel 66-59 and Hamilton Southeastern

68-51. Fishers is 4-2 against sectional foes with wins over Noblesville 55-42, Hamilton Southeastern 50-45, Westfield 60-56 and Zionsville (for the HCC title) 68-55. The Tigers lost 59-46 to Carmel.

“When you think of it,” said Fishers coach Joe Leonard, “there are a lot of teams that could win the state this season. This will truly be a year where you must survive and advance. We have drawn a really good North Central team that could be as good as anybody in the state.”

Fishers’ loss to North Central came in NC’s holiday tourney.

“As a whole we have played a very good schedule and we won our conference. We would like to accomplish more,” said Leonard.

“We have three really good scorers in Keegan Kollmeyer, Lance Dollison and Cam Wolter. We really do believe if we are on top of our game we can beat anyone.”

Overall, Fishers is 12-10 and North Central is 16-5.

“We’ve had a couple of bumps in the road the last two weeks, but it has really helped us in our preparation for the tournament,” said Mitchell, “Our team wants to do well so badly that I think we were putting some undue pressure on ourselves.

“There are six other teams who are planning on winning as well as us, but I’d take this group anywhere, anytime and be willing to compete against anybody,” Mitchell added.

North Central is led by Kris Wilkes and Wes Stowers, two Panthers averaging around the 17-point mark.

Waiting for the winner of the North Central-Fishers game will be Carmel. Coach Scott Heady’s 20-2 Greyhounds

“The sectional is as balanced as it has been in several years, top to bottom,” Heady believes.

“We have improved in areas that were a concern earlier in the season, turnovers and getting to the free throw line,” Heady said. “We have really been good in a few areas all season. Our defensive field goal average is just 37 percent and we’ve rebounded well in most games. We are shooting 52 percent.



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Fishers and Carmel are two powerhouse teams in the top of the Sectional 8 bracket. Pictured for the Tigers is Kevin Hackett and for the Greyhounds is Sterling Brown.

I think that has been the result of good shot selection.

“Winning the conference for a four straight year was a great accomplishment for this team,” said Heady.

Carmel has one of the state’s great shooters in Purdue University bound Ryan Cline.

In the bottom bracket will be rematches between Westfield and Southeastern and Noblesville and Zionsville.

“We played extremely well in our first meeting with Westfield, but that doesn’t mean anything for this game,” HSE coach Brian Satterfield talked about a rematch with Westfield. Southeastern won that game 72-43.

Satterfield has dealt with injuries most of the season.

“We had to juggles players around,” Satterfield said “However, it may have helped us out in the long run. The other frustrating thing is not finishing games. We have been so close in a lot of losses. A promising thing is that we have been in all but three games.”

Southeastern is led by sophomore Zach Gunn, who is averaging a double-double in scoring and rebounding.

“Gunn will have to have a strong sectional for us to win,” Satterfield said. “Tyler Janney is starting to get his legs under him. Chris Ford just keeps improving. Ty Scholl enjoys doing the dirty work.”

Southeastern is 7-16. Westfield is 4-18.

“Playing sophomores and juniors is very difficult with our schedule and our conference,” said Westfield coach EricRauch. “But these kids have been amazing. Their work ethic, team chemistry,

willingness to work is right there with the best teams I have coached the last 18 years.

“Charlie Warner has turned out to be one of the better players in this area. He is going to continue to grow and be a great player,

“We also have some other guys who are playing their best basketball,” Rauch talked about his Westfield team. “Sawyer Olsen, Conner Osswald and Kyle Nicole have really improved and Ian Kristensen has been a steady performer. Spencer Tebbe and Aaron Bennett have done a nice job leading on the point.”

Noblesville lost to Zionsville 55-41 in a game closer than the final score might show. The Millers are 13-10, but only 1-4 against sectional teams. Zionsville is 18-6 and 3-2.

“Zionsville is an outstanding team,” said McCauley. “They have size, skill and athleticism. Their defense is very good and they are very talented offensively.

“Our team has shown improvement throughout the past several games. I have loved coaching this group. They have played very hard and together. I like how they have responded to adversity and the improvements we have made as a group.”

Noblesville has good scoring balance with John Kiser and Jake Mills leading the way.

“Kiser has done a great job of leading us this season,” said McCauley. “He is averaging 14 points and 6 rebounds. Mills has been very efficient offensively averaging 12 points and shooting above 40 percent from the 3-point line. Sean Wilson has been a very good floor general. David Cory, Joey Brewer, McGwire Plumer, Josh Gentry, Joey Herron and Brady Resch have all contributed at key moments.”



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Hamilton Southeastern and Westfield will have a sectional re-match on Wednesday. Pictured for the Royals is Greg Miller (15) and for the Shamrocks is Spencer Tebbe.

Sectional 8 - At Carmel		
First round	Semi-finals	Championship
Carmel		
BYE	Carmel	
Fishers	March 6, 6 p.m.	
North Central		
Westfield		March 7, 7:30 p.m.
Southeastern		
Zionsville	March 6, 7:30 p.m.	
Noblesville	March 4, 7:30 p.m.	



Muncie sectional is loaded...

# Heights has unfinished work

y DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

All season long, Hamilton Heights has watched and waited, looking from the outside in to their March battles in Class 3A, Sectional 24.

The Huskies have not played any of the other teams in this sectional. And, having drawn the bye the Huskies will wait a little longer as the sectional begins this week. Heights will play the winner of the Muncie Central-Delta game.

One would think that winner will be Muncie Central, and, if so will come a fourth consecutive showdown between the Bearcats and the Huskies. Four years ago, Muncie Central unloaded on Heights 69-35. The following year, Heights unloaded on Muncie Central 60-42 to win the sectional. Last year, Muncie Central eliminated Heights 53-47.

Muncie Central will enter the sectional with a 10-11 record. Delta is just 8-15. During the regular season Muncie Central defeated Delta 72-61.

“Delta has a history of playing well n the tourney,” points out Heights coach Chad Ballenger. “I think Delta will give Central a good game.

“We will take whoever it is,” Ballenger added.

But it may not be Heights and it may not be Muncie Central entering this sectional as the favorite.

“I consider Yorktown as the favorite,” said Ballenger. “Yorktown started this season a little slow because of the success of their football team. They have a great record (16-7). The draw definitely favors Yorktown.”

Yorktown has drawn Blackford County. Yorktown is 16-7 and holds a 50-26 victory over (0-23) Blackford. The winner of that game will advance to the championship game.

“As I told the kids,” Ballenger continued, “we can’t control the draw but we can control how we play. We have played a very good schedule and have prepared ourselves for the sectional. We played all year short-handed with injuries and illness, but we still have been a very good basketball team.”

Hamilton Heights is 16-7 and has won eight straight. The Huskies had won 13 straight before losing to Muncie Central in the sectional last year.

This Husky team appears to be well prepared. The Huskies played, arguably, their best schedule ever. They won the Mid-Indiana Conference. They have four starters (Hunter Crist, Grant Weatherford, Jadon White and Garrett Paull) averaging from 12 to 16 points a game. They have a strong bench.

“I think we are sharing the ball and are really hard to guard right now,” Ballenger said. “We are playing unselfish and we are defending.

“It has been a stressful year with all the injuries and sickness. Losing Sterling Weatherford and Garrett Paull as long as we did really hurt us. I think both have played well the last three games.

“Noah Whyde has stepped up and played well and is shooting really well. Caymn Lutz is playing some great defense and playing his role. Ian Nicholson has been steady for us all year. He has doe it all, starting or coming off the bench. He’s a coach’s dream who works hard and never complains. A



Brian Reddick/File photo

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team player first. Ian has had some big baskets, getting out and running the floor. Kurry Miller has been consistent all year. We need to have him playing well.

“Grant Weatherford gives us whatever we need,” Ballenger continued. “He gets the ball where it needs to go. Hunter Crist is shooting real well. He was shooting over 60 percent from 3’s in a five-game stretch.

Jadon White is having a great year. Teams can try and shut down Hunter and Grant, and we have Jadon and Garrett on the wings ready to knock down shots.

“We are tough to defend with all of our weapons,” the coach added.

After the loss to Muncie Central last year, Ballenger said the team motto this season has been taking care of unfinished business.

Class 3A, Sectional 24 At Muncie Central		
Team	Overall	Sect. Foes
Yorktown	16-7	3-1
Muncie Central	10-11	2-0
Delta	8-15	1-3
Heights	17-7	0-0
Blackford	0-23	0-2

“Our goal is to be the fourth Hamilton Heights team to cut down nets in March,” Ballenger added.

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Match-up with Brebeuf may be key....

# Guerin will start with Herron

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

It if happens, and it appears likely it will, one of the best Class 3A sectional match-ups in the state could be a semi-final round shootout between Guerin Catholic and Brebeuf at the Marshall Sectional.

In order for that to happen, Guerin will need to beat Herron in the opening game of the tourney.

Brebeuf has a bye into the semi-final round.

Both Guerin Catholic and Brebeuf have finished strong, the Golden Eagles with a 15-8 record and Brebeuf with a 12-10 mark.

Coach Pete Smith’s Guerin team won five of its last seven games. Brebeuf had a three-game win streak snapped in the final game of the season, losing a 39-37 thriller to Carmel, the state’s No. 2 ranked 4A machine.

But, first things first. Guerin Catholic will open tourney play in the sectional’s opening game against Herron.

“I like playing right out of the gate on Tuesday,” said Smith.

“We played Herron the first game of the season and played them first in last season’s sectional. Tyson Shumpert, their star player, didn’t play the first time we played them this season, but I sure remember how good he was against us last season. We feel we have a good handle on what they do, and I’m sure they’ll be a lot better with Tyson playing,” Smith added.

Herron is 13-9 after losing back to back games to Danville and Harrison the final two games of the regular season. Before that, the Achaeans had won five of six.

Guerin Catholic closed its regular season with a victory over Anderson.

“Knock on wood, we’re as healthy as we’ve been all season,” Smith talked about his Golden Eagles.

“Sometimes we’re our own worst enemy. We know we have to cut down on unforced turnovers and play better baseline defense. The guys are starting to communicate as well as they have all season. They’re not finger-pointing at people, but they’re expecting their teammates to be accountable for things they should know to do on the court.”

Smith said it has been a very good season.

“It’s a great cast of nine characters that I have really enjoyed,” said the coach. “I believe this group has not played its best basketball. We have not lost more than two games in a row all season, showing they bounce back and move on to the next game. We’ve really had only two off nights where we never seemed to get started and in the flow of the game, those being losses to Ft. Wayne Luers and to Seccina. Those two games were really disappointing. The other 21 games we battled and competed hard.

“We have not had more losses going into the tournament since 2010, but we’ve played as challenging of a schedule as we ever had. We’ve been tested in about any way possible from the different teams we’ve played.”

Guerin Catholic held the pre-season No. 1 rating until a double overtime game against Lawrence North. “Now,” pointed out Smith, “we’re not even rated in the top 10. I think it’s added motivation for our guys as we start the tournament,” said Smith.

The coach commented on his various players.

“Cameron Lindley has played some real stretches of basketball in the second half of the season as our point guard,” Smith said. “He has just such a high motor that he wants to make great plays all of the time. He’s still learning. He knows we need longer stretches of good play from him.

“Christian Munson is looking better and better, but still isn’t paying as well as he was



Brian Reddick/File photo

Guerin Catholic coach Pete Smith believes that Matt Holba is deserving of a place on the Indiana All-Star team. Holba has regularly earned double-doubles for the Golden Eagles this season.

when he suffered the concussion. That forced him out of action over two weeks. The three games prior to his concussion he scored 24, 23 and 25 points. In the second half against Anderson he showed some good signs that he’s closer to being all the way back.

“Matthew Godfrey has been such a spark for us off the bench. The sophomore is a big key for us to have any success down the tournament trail. After the two Matts (Labus and Holba), he’s the most tournament-experienced player we have. He played some great minute in last year’s tourney run to the semi-state, even starting the second half in the regional final and scoring 12 points.

“Matt Holba has really been a warrior this season,” Smith continued. “He has been triple and double teamed and taken every team’s best shot. I’ve asked him to play around the basket as a post player a great deal, and that is not his natural position. He’s best on the wing, where he played last season. I believe he is very deserving of a spot on the Indiana All-Star team.”

Smith said his four other seniors make contributions in unique ways.

“Matt Labus brings toughness to the court every time he steps on to it. Alex Mazanowski has had some great spurts and needs to extend it longer. Nick Schneider does a great job giving us energy and movement when he comes in for Mazanowski. And Brian Matthews II can really defend. He picks up our defensive intensity when he gets minutes.

“Calen Cunningham is just raw, but has been in several games down in the post. I expect him to be a strong player for us next season,” Smith concluded.

## Sectional 26 - At Indpls. Marshall

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# ‘Hawks want repeat over Elwood

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

Only three of the seven schools in the very tough Class 2A, Sectional 39 at Tipton have less than double digit victories. One of those three teams is Sheridan. A second is Sheridan’s first round opponent, Elwood.

That’s good news for the Blackhawks. Even better news is that Sheridan has defeated Elwood, 65-62.

Sheridan’s overall record is 6-16. Elwood owns a 4-19 mark.

Still, Sheridan coach Chris Schrank warns this game will not be a cakewalk for the Blackhawks.

“That first game against Elwood will be a tough match-up,” said the coach. “They played us tough back in January and we had to fight hard to get a win that night. I know that we are a different team now compared with what we were in the middle of January, and I am sure they are as well.”

Sheridan had a four-game losing streak snapped late in the season with a victory over Bethesda Christian. The Blackhawks then closed their regular season, losing to a Frankton team which has lost just twice this season

Elwood, in the Panthers’ last game of their regular season, had a 15-game losing string ended in a 44-28 win at Wabash.

“We have been playing better of late,” said Schrank. “We have played quality opponents and we have been right there in nearly every game the last few weeks. Our guys are still learning how to win those close games, but I think we are better suited than ever to have some success in the sectional. We have guys who are shooting the ball well as of late. We, as a group, are doing a good job of executing our game plan.

“If we play to our strengths, like we have lately, I think we will be a tough out,” Schrank added.

“We have continued to grow. We have played our best basketball in the last several weeks, and as a coach that is what you want to see,” Schrank continued. “We have most certainly improved over the course of the season. As a new coach I knew that it was going to take a little time, but I think we have gotten that buy-in that we needed, and guys have continued to work hard.”

Elwood’s four wins have come over Anderson Prep, Daleville, Blackford and

Class 2A, Sectional 39 At Tipton		
Team	Overall	Sectional Foes
Tipton	16-4	4-0
Madison-Grant	12-9	3-1
Alexandria	13-10	3-1
Eastern	11-12	3-2
Taylor	8-13	3-4
Sheridan	6-16	1-2
Elwood	4-19	0-7

Wabash. The Panthers won three of their first seven games.

Schrank said he has gotten contributions from across the board.

“Brock Kitchel has played well offensively as of late,” said the Sheridan coach. “He is shooting the ball well and continues to improve off the dribble.

“Jacob Chesney has done a great job of attacking with the dribble. He does a nice job of getting to the paint and making the correct decision.

“Chris Roberts continues to rebound really well. He provides a little toughness on the boards that we need. And his offensive game continues to improve.”

Schrank said he sees improvement throughout the team.

“Elliott Barker has really played well of late,” Schrank said. “He has provided a nice post presence for us. Garrett Chesney has done really well on the defensive side. He is usually drawing the toughest match-up and has worked really hard at that. He also has shot the ball well from outside.

“All of our guys coming off the bench have done a nice job. Taylor Ly is shooting the ball. Patrick Weitzel has improved greatly and has had games where we have to keep him on the floor because he plays hard and understands what he does best for us. Robert Sizemore has been a spark off the bench. He is physical and brings a ton of energy.”

Schrank said this is the exciting time of any season.

“I think most would agree that Tipton is the favorite, but I also feel like any team in our sectional could get hot and win two or three games,” Schrank added.

Tipton is 4-0 against sectional foes with wins over Elwood 82-34, Sheridan 85-41, Eastern 66-57 and Taylor 49-35.



Reporter photo by Brian Reddick

Sheridan coach Chris Schrank credited Chris Roberts with rebounding well, providing toughness on the boards for the Blackhawks.

Tindley is favored.....

# University will challenge

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

By tourney time, there aren’t many secrets among the eight teams which play in Class 1A, Sectional 58, which this season will be held at Bethesda Christian.

For one thing, there were 27 games played this season among Sectional 58 teams.

Many of the teams have played all seven sectional foes. Take Tindley and University for example, arguably the top two favorites to win the championship.

“Tindley has not lost to any of the teams in our sectional, and the majority of the other teams have played each other close,” points out University coach Brandon Lafferman.

Tindley is the favorite, having beaten all seven teams in this sectional, including a 68-59 victory over University back on Jan. 9 at Tindley.

Tindley is 14-10 overall. University is 15-9 and the Trailblazers are 4-1 against possible sectional opponents.

University’s first round sectional opponent is Indiana Math & Science. The two teams did not meet during the regular season

University’s four victories against the sectional field have come over Bethesda Christian 54-52, Metropolitan 56-49, International 71-53 and Indiana Deaf 64-54.

“I am definitely pleased with our draw this year,” said Lafferman. “Indiana Math & Science is a team we can beat as long as we take care of business and play with effort and smarts. That win would set us up for a challenging second round game vs. the winner of Metropolitan and Deaf School, two teams that played us tough on our home court earlier in the year. Deaf School is big, strong and they play very physical. Metro has a few new players on their roster since we played them back in early January.”

Tindley and University, if both advance, would not meet until the championship game

“Our sectional is loaded with teams that could potentially win it this season,” Lafferman continued. ”We have faired well against most of the teams during the regular season, but most of those games were close.

University finished the regular season with a 15-9 record and three straight wins.

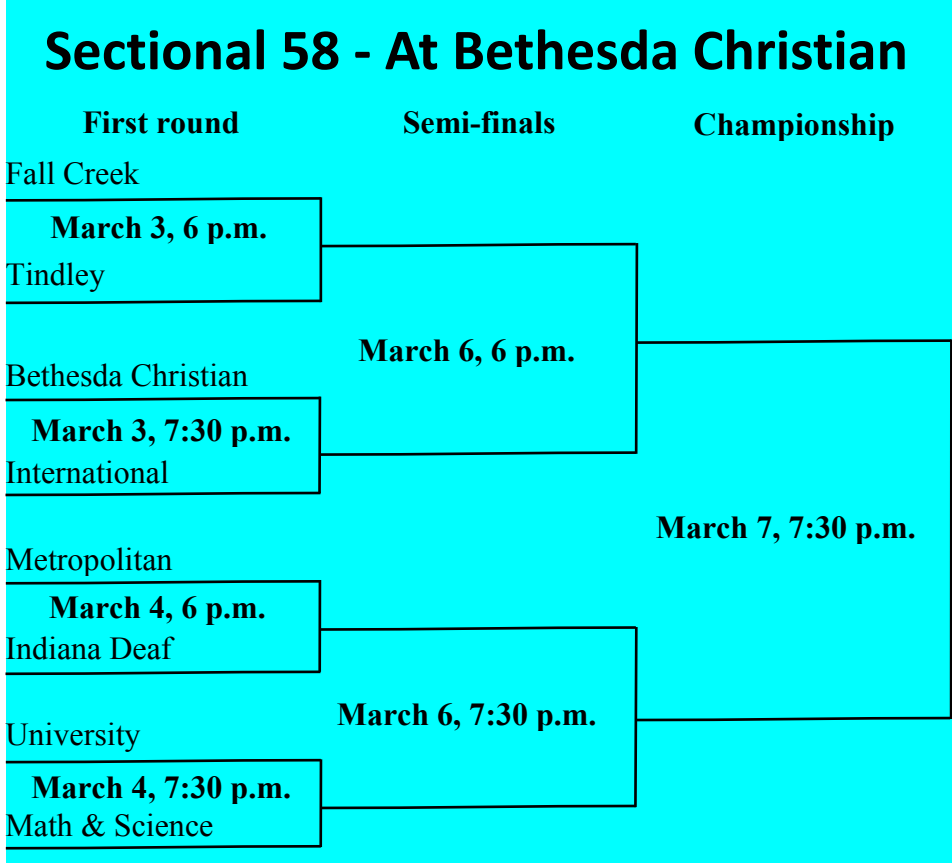
“We had a six-game win streak going and then hit a little rough spot and lost three games to some pretty good teams,” said Lafferman.

Class 1A, Sectional 58 At Bethesda Christian		
Team	Overall	Sectional Foes
Tindley	14-10	7-0
University	15-9	4-1
Metropolitan	12-11	5-3
Indiana Deaf	16-7	4-3
Fall Creek Academy	7-13	3-3
International	10-13	3-5
Math & Science	4-19	1-5
Bethesda Christian	7-15	0-7

“That was a team chemistry issue more than anything else,” said the coach. “We had some guys come back from injuries and had to figure out how to work them in and get the boys playing together again. We have played better in our last three games. I am hopeful we will be playing our best ball of the season this week at the sectional.”

University has won 8 of its last 11 games.

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Brian Reddick/File photo

University's Tyler Diehl is one of two players that is averaging around 20 points for the Trailblazers this season.

Girls basketball semi-state scores

- Class 4A**  
Homestead 66, Merrillville 52  
Columbus North 69, Lawrence North 60

**Class 3A**  
Tippecanoe Valley 60, Rochester 45  
Princeton 77, Indianapolis Chatard 38

**Class 2A**  
Fort Wayne Canterbury 57, Wabash 39  
Heritage Christian 61, Providence 41
- Class 1A**  
Lafayette Central Catholic 47, Oregon-Davis 44  
Barr-Reeve 61, Jac-Cen-Del 55

**ICST State Finals**  
Columbus Christian, 45, Horizon Christian, 32  
Granger Christian, 38, Arthur Okaw Christian (Ill.), 34  
Columbus Christian, 53, Granger Christian, 29

Saturday boys basketball scores

- Boonville 76, North Posey 65  
Brown County 59, White River Valley 25  
Charlestown 79, Salem 71, 2OT  
Heritage Hills 54, Tell City 45  
Logansport, 76, Anderson 60  
Southport 88, Evansville Reitz 80  
Washington Catholic 46, Loogootee 41

**Smith Academy Invitational**  
Fort Wayne Smith Academy 59, Eagle Tech 25
- South Bend Career Academy 54, Pierceton Woods 52  
Fort Wayne Smith Academy 76, South Bend Career Academy 66, 1st place

**ICST STATE FINALS**  
Indianapolis Lighthouse 78, Horizon Christian (Fort Wayne) 75, 1st place

UNIVERSITY

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“I am very pleased with how my team has performed,” Lafferman said. “We managed our way through the first part of the year, fighting a lot of injuries to key players. We had very nice staple wins against some quality program like Seton Catholic, Lutheran, Ritter and Traders Point.

We played some larger school programs closer than we ever have in the past, such as Chatard, Heritage and Shortridge. Coming up short in those games was disappointing, but they made our team stronger and more ready for the post-season. “In all,” the coach added, “it has been a great year and I have seen a lot of improvement in our players.”

University has two of the most explosive players in Class 1A basketball. Senior Tyler Diehl and junior Connor Holly have averaged around the 20-point mark most of the season.

“Diehl is having a great senior campaign,” said his coach, “scoring the ball from both behind the arc and around the rim. He really continued right where he left off after his solid junior year, and has done a great job of being consistent every game.

“Holly has had one of the better junior years I have seen,” said Lafferman. “He is second on our team in scoring and leads in rebounds, assists and steals. He has done a great job of scoring the ball and also getting teammates involved. I expect him to have a great post-season and be one of the better guards in 1A basketball next year when he is a senior.”

Five of the eight teams in this sectional have double digit wins.

First round foe Math and Science is just 1-5 against sectional foes, the win coming over Bethesda Christian 60-56.

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The Carmel boys swim team won its first state championship since 2012 on Saturday at the IUPUI Natatorium. The Greyhounds won the medley relay to start the meet, and collected 12 medals in winning their 15th state title overall.

*IHSAA boys state swimming finals...*

# ‘Hounds win team trophy, HSE’s Young receives Mental Attitude Award

By **RICHIE HALL**  
Reporter Sports Editor

The two-day nature of the IHSAA state swimming championships means the first-day preliminaries are just as important as the second-day finals.

A swimmer scores the team points on Saturday, but he earns them on Friday. Make it into the top 16, and there's a guarantee of at least one point. Get into the top eight, and there's a medal waiting, too.

Carmel took care of business during the prelims, placing 12 swims in the championship heats and three in the consolation heats on Friday. The Greyhounds came back on Saturday to rack up the points, and the result was another state trophy for Carmel, the school's first since 2012 and its 15th overall.

The 'Hounds scored 253.5 points, comfortably ahead of Avon's 176. Zionsville placed third with 167; the Eagles had the most individual champions at the meet with three.

Greyhounds coach Chris Plumb said his team knew it was all about Friday night if it wanted to win the meet. That meant getting into as many championship heats, or "A" finals, as possible, including getting all three relays into the fast heat.

"We felt like if we did that, this meet would be ours," said Plumb. "And it was, and we even outscored what our predicted points would be for the day. So, we just kept getting better as the meet went on, and it was pretty exciting."

Carmel got off to a splendid start, winning the medley relay. The team of senior Gabriel Whitaker, sophomore Charles Vaughan, senior Nathaniel Bledsoe and junior Troy Li held off Zionsville by .09 seconds to claim the

Greyhounds' first blue ribbon in a swim event since Zechariah Banks won the breaststroke in 2012. Carmel's medley winning time was 1:32.30.

"Coming in to the meet, we had Troy Li either on the 2 free or the 2 medley, and we had to make a decision as to which one to go with," said Plumb. "Even though he had the 200 free right after, we felt like just to start off the meet, if we get a 'W,' it'll just get everything rolling in our direction."

"In the past few years, that relay hasn't gotten the meet started like we wanted to, so we took a chance and put him there, and he stepped up."

Whitaker and Li both had great days. The senior Whitaker went on to three more runner-up finishes: Whitaker was second in the 50 and 100 freestyles, then joined

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Photo by Bret Richardson

Hamilton Southeastern senior Joe Young received the Mental Attitude Award at the conclusion of the meet. Young, pictured here with his family, carries a 4.5 grade-point average, and will swim and study engineering at Purdue University this coming fall.









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Noblesville's Luke Conner (left) and Justin Ogle swam in the consolation heat of the breaststroke.

# Hamilton County state swimming results

Top 12 teams and all county: 1. Carmel 253.5, 2. Zionsville 176, 3. Avon 167, 4. Brownsburg 129, 5. Fort Wayne Carroll 126.5, 6. Penn 122, 7. Hamilton Southeastern 121, 8. Munster 112, 9. Bloomington South 108, 10. North Central 85, 11. Chesterton 79, 12. Fishers 70, T35. Noblesville 11.	200 individual medley Championship heat: 1. Ian Finnerty (BS) 1:45.71, 2. Young (HSE) 1:49.08, 3. Bledsoe (C) 1:49.21, 5. Vaughan (C) 1:49.62. Consolation heat: 13. Luke Ingram (F) 1:54.33.	Consolation heat: 12. Pfanstiel (HSE) 50.81.	Consolation heat: 14. Fishers (Joseph Moser, Bradley Jacobs, Joel Crull, Brown) 1:28.15.
200 medley relay Championship heat: 1. Carmel (Gabriel Whitaker, Charles Vaughan, Nathaniel Bledsoe, Troy Li) 1:32.30, 4. Southeastern (Joe Young, Wilson Clark, Nick Pfanstiel, Quinn Teague) 1:32.81.	50 freestyle Championship heat: 1. Kyle DeCoursey (Z) 20.30, 2. Whitaker (C) 20.51, 8. Teague (HSE) 21.63.	100 freestyle Championship heat: 1. DeCoursey (Z) 44.70, 2. Whitaker (C) 45.36, 6. Li (C) 46.27.	100 backstroke Championship heat: 1. Wilson Beckman (Munster) 49.21, 2. Young (HSE) 49.25, 5. Bledsoe (C) 50.79.
200 freestyle Championship heat: 1. Parks Jones (A) 1:37.81, 2. Li (C) 1:39.17, 4. Glen Brown (F) 1:39.64. Consolation heat: 11. Reilly Garman (C) 1:42.41.	One-meter diving Finals: 1. Kevin Frebel (Homestead) 568.65, 5. Austin Smith (F) 432.15, 10. Cole VanDevender (F) 390.70. Semi-finals: 18. Trevor Crupi (Westfield) 258.95.	500 freestyle Championship heat: 1. Michael Brinegar (Columbus North) 4:24.92, 3. Brown (F) 4:29.53, 6. Garman (C) 4:31.60, 8. Pfanstiel (HSE) 4:40.44. Consolation heat: 15. Matthew Netherton (HSE) 4:44.32.	100 breaststroke Championship heat: 1. Finnerty (BS) 53.19, new state record, T3. Vaughan (C) 55.94. Consolation heat: 10. Luke Conner (N) 58.46, 11. Derek Stauder (C) 58.53, 12. Stefano Batista (C) 58.83, 13. Justin Ogle (N) 58.85.
	100 butterfly Championship heat: 1. Gabriel Swardson (Fort Wayne Snider) 49.14.	200 freestyle relay Championship heat: 1. Brownsburg 1:24.20, 2. Carmel (Whitaker, Vaughan, Harrison Stuckey, Reilly Garman) 1:24.62, 5. Southeastern (Teague, Young, Clark, Pfanstiel) 1:26.07.	400 freestyle relay Championship heat: 1. Zionsville 3:03.55, 6. Carmel (Li, Adrian Jarding, Bledsoe, Garman) 3:09.67, 13. Fishers (Brown, Jacobs, Ingram, Nolan Yorkman) 3:12.72.

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## Fuel sweep Komets with 5-4 shootout win

In the ninth of 11 head-to-head meetings between the two teams this season, the Indy Fuel defeated the Fort Wayne Komets in a shootout on Saturday at Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Indiana by a final score of 5-4. With the win, the Fuel's fourth straight victory and second straight over the Komets, Indy improved to 23-23-4-4 overall this season and with 54 points, vaulted into fourth place alone in the ECHL's North Division standings and into playoff position.

The Komets stormed out to a 2-0 first period lead on Saturday thanks to goals from Matthew Pistilli and Shawn Szydlowski at 3:17 and 11:51, respectively. The Fuel responded with three consecutive goals from Chris DeSousa at 14:07 of the opening frame, Evan Vossen on the power-play at 8:39 of the second and Pete Massar just over four minutes later to claim a 3-2 advantage. Late in the middle stanza, the Komets came to life with back-to-back unassisted scores, from Christian Ouellet and Szydlowski at 17:24 and 19:16, to claim a slim 4-3 lead through 40 minutes of play.

Fuel leading scorer Garrett Bembridge potted the third period's lone goal on the power-play at 3:26 to tie the game at four and after a scoreless overtime frame, Nick Bruneteau provided the shootout's lone tally either way, a second round conversion that, when combined with Indy goaltender Mac Carruth's five-for-five showing, delivered Indy a 5-4 victory. Carruth set a new single-game personal season high with 53 saves on Saturday and with the win, the Fuel extended their ECHL-best road point streak to 13 games.

Next up for the Fuel, it's a Friday tilt vs. the Evansville IceMen with the opening faceoff set for 8:15 pm EST at Ford Center in Evansville, Indiana. Full coverage of Friday's game begins with the "Jose Cuervo Pregame Show" at 8:00 pm EST over the air on CBS Sports 1430 WXNT-AM, online at [www.cbssports1430.com](http://www.cbssports1430.com) and on smartphones everywhere via the free "TuneIn" Radio app with Fuel broadcaster Tony Brown providing the play-by-play.

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- 57. \*What the ref did to his whistle
- 58. Babe
- 59. Advil target
- 60. Captain and his party
- 61. Mount Vesuvius output
- 62. Dutch cheese
- 63. "Or \_\_\_\_!"
- 64. Textile worker
- 67. \*Winners' memento

# NBA standings

Eastern Conference				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	37	22	.627	-
Brooklyn	24	33	.421	12.0
Boston	23	33	.411	12.5
Philadelphia	13	45	.224	23.5
New York	12	46	.207	24.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	37	22	.627	-
Cleveland	37	23	.617	0.5
Milwaukee	32	27	.542	5.0
Detroit	24	34	.414	12.5
Indiana	23	36	.390	14.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	47	12	.797	-
Washington	34	26	.567	13.5
Miami	25	33	.431	21.5
Charlotte	23	33	.411	22.5
Orlando	19	41	.317	28.5

Saturday's scores	
Washington 99, Detroit 95	Memphis 101, Minnesota 97
Atlanta 93, Miami 91	Brooklyn 104, Dallas 94
New York 103, Toronto 98	San Antonio 101, Phoenix 74
	Utah 82, Milwaukee 75

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Portland	38	19	.667	-
Oklahoma City	32	27	.542	7.0
Utah	23	35	.397	15.5
Denver	20	38	.345	18.5
Minnesota	13	45	.224	25.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	45	11	.804	-
L.A. Clippers	38	21	.644	8.5
Phoenix	31	29	.517	16.0
Sacramento	20	36	.357	25.0
L.A. Lakers	16	41	.281	29.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Memphis	42	16	.724	-
Houston	40	18	.690	1.5
Dallas	39	22	.639	4.5
San Antonio	36	23	.610	6.5
New Orleans	31	27	.534	10.5