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Sheridan Community Schools lowers tax rate

Director of Business, Robin Popejoy, and Superintendent Dave Mundy have reported to the Sheridan Community School Board that the district recommends dropping the schools tax rate to around \$1.36 for this coming year. This is a reduction from the previous rate of \$1.40.

The reduction is made possible due to the 6% increase in assessed value across the district. Mrs. Popejoy stated, “This change in assessed value and revenue is allowing the district to help recover a small amount of the revenue that has been taken away from school districts over the last few years, but still be fiscally responsible in setting our tax rate for the community.”

Mrs. Popejoy and Dr. Mundy also expressed to the school board that this keeps the district’s referendum promise to the community true; the district would not raise their rates during the 7 year referendum period and would do what they can to lower it.

Cicero Triathlon announces title sponsor

Riverview Health will be the title sponsor of the Cicero Triathlon Weekend on June 20-21, 2015. The weekend will consist of the 32nd Annual Cicero Triathlon on Saturday and the 2nd Annual Strawberry 5K and Kids Triathlon on Sunday. All events will be staged at Cicero’s Red Bridge Park and Morse Reservoir. The Hamilton North Chamber of Commerce, working with race management company Heartland Endurance Sports, will host the events.

“Riverview Health has been a valued supporter of our Chamber through the years and now they have picked up the title sponsorship of one of the longest running triathlons in the state. We think the connection between Riverview’s commitment to the health of Hamilton County residents is a good fit with the Triathlon/5K/Youth Triathlon weekend,” says Jane Hunter, Executive Director of the Hamilton North Chamber of Commerce.

A few course changes have been made to make the Cicero Triathlon a true “sprint triathlon”. The swim portion will be a box course with participants entering Morse Reservoir at the town docks at Red Bridge Park. They will swim out and around buoys marking the course and back to the swim exit at the emergency ramp at the south end of the park. The swim course is 500 meters. The bike course will be extended by .5 mile to make a 10 mile ride. The course will include a jog around Bear Cub Drive off of Mill Creek Road. The 5K run course remains the same.

“These subtle course changes bring the race distance in line with other ‘common’

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Community Meeting to Discuss Noblesville’s Planning Jurisdiction

The City of Noblesville will host a community meeting to discuss a proposal to modify the city’s planning jurisdiction at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 28 at Fire Station No. 7, 15251 Olio Rd. Noblesville has experienced significant growth pressure in recent years, particularly southeast of the city. This proposal is an attempt to channel future growth closer to where existing infrastructure is located. In addition, there are parcels that currently exist in northeast Noblesville Township where the planning jurisdiction is split between Noblesville and Hamilton County.

The city is proposing to expand its planning and zoning jurisdiction along the western and southwestern portions of unincorporated Wayne Township. Current jurisdiction lines divide certain parcels, leaving half of the property within the City of Noblesville planning jurisdiction and the other half of the property in Hamilton County jurisdiction.

“By correcting the lines and including whole parcels confusion is eliminated between the city, county and property

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Bethany Robinson named Noblesville Schools’ Teacher of the Year

Noblesville Schools, in collaboration with the Noblesville Education Foundation, has named Bethany Robinson their Teacher of the Year for 2015. Robinson, who has taught at Noblesville since 2005, is the Jazz Director and Assistant Band Director at Noblesville High School, and was chosen from approximately 650 teachers across the district.

“Bethany leads by example and her dedication to the teaching profession is well known in the high school,” said Jeff Bryant, principal Noblesville High School. “She is a hardworking, dedicated, passionate, engaged educator with high expectations for her students and herself. Bethany models the energy and commitment it takes to improve at her craft, and in turn, students show the same kind of commitment and desire to perform at a high level.”

Robinson’s accomplishments include: Exhibiting a passion for building and maintaining relationships with students and the community. Creating once-in-a-lifetime opportunities for her students to play with and learn from nationally recognized musicians Establishing a jazz combo group, contests and community events

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Noblesville High School jazz director and assistant band director Bethany Robinson (center) is pictured with Noblesville Schools superintendent Beth Niedermeyer and NHS principal Jeff Bryant

Atlanta New Earth Festival awards scholarships and selects art contest winners

Atlanta Clerk Treasurer Roby Cook announced Wednesday the winners of the New Earth Festival Art Contest and scholarship winners.

The art contest was open to Hamilton Heights students. Winners were selected from each school and were awarded \$100 for first place, \$50 for second place and \$25 for third place.

High School Division Winners: First place, Micah Kunzer; Second place, Kennidy Bever; Third place, Austin Sauerteig.

Middle School Division Winners: First place, Madeline Teal; Second place, Anna Faulkinbury; Third place, Grace Powell.

Elementary School Division Winners: First place (TIE) Nikel Phifer and Amber Lane; Second place, Vivian Hirschfeld; Third place, Cameron Deitsch.

Primary School Division Winners: First place, Jasmine Smith; Second place, Polly Thompson; Third place, Lily Adams.

Theresa Magenheimer won the Atlanta New Earth Festival Scholarship and Elijah Schroeder won the Atlanta New Earth Festival Ivy Tech Scholarship. Both students received \$1,000 in scholarship money.

Parks and The Arts Mayor’s Luncheon



The inaugural Parks and The Arts Mayor's Luncheon benefitting the Noblesville Parks Foundation was held May 15 at Harbour Trees Golf Clubhouse. Thirty Noblesville High School students contributed works that were judged by a professional. Thirteen of those pieces will be included in a calendar created and sold by the Noblesville Parks Foundation.

The County Line

Little military hardware has come to Hamilton County police

By FRED SWIFT

In the years since the end of the Cold War the U.S. Government has made military surplus available to state and local police agencies. But, in the past few days the Obama administration has backed off their program of sharing some weapons and vehicles in an apparent effort to defuse the potential for rioting such as seen earlier this month in Baltimore.

In a further effort to appease leaders of civil protests the administration has now indicated it is considering the recall of some of the most powerful weapons, heavy armored vehicles or other offensive weaponry that were given to municipal law enforcement agencies.

Apparently little if any of this military hardware has come to Hamilton County. Noblesville Police Chief Kevin Jowitt says the only items NPD has gotten is a quantity of bayonets. They are not, and were never intended to be, used to affix to rifles. They

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Harold Macy Gibbs

February 22, 1919 - May 1, 2015

Harold Macy Gibbs, age 96, of Lapel, formerly of Lake Placid, Florida, passed away on Friday morning, May 1, 2015, at Community Hospital in Anderson. Born February 22, 1919, in Sheridan, Indiana, he was the son of the late John H. and Angeline M. (Cobb) Gibbs. Harold was a graduate of Sheridan High School. He worked in production control, as a stock chaser, for Delco Remy for 33 years, finally retiring in 1973. Harold was a 75+ year of the Masonic Lodge F&AM #623 in Lapel.

Harold is survived by the love of his life, whom he married 72 years ago, Mary Kathryn (Porter) Gibbs; his son Douglas R. Gibbs and friend Chris of Lapel; 2 grandchildren, Donna Savino of Noblesville and Sherry Reynolds (Paul) of Ft. Myers, Florida; his nephew, Don M. Gibbs (Brenda) of Sheridan; and his niece, Sarita Gibbs-Koopman (Ralph) of Sheridan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Bobbie L. Lowe; 2 sisters, Fairy Elizabeth Gibbs and Olive Kathryn Gibbs-Byrd; 1 brother, Don L. Gibbs; sister-in-law, Esther Gibbs and a niece, Diane Cunningham.

A celebration of Life was held on Saturday, May 23, 2015, at Kercheval Funeral Home, Sheridan, IN, with visitation prior to the time of service. Crements will be inurned at Wright-Bethel Cemetery, Waugh, Indiana, at a later date.

James Edward 'Jim' McDonald III

May 16, 1945 - May 15, 2015



James Edward 'Jim' McDonald III, 69, of Noblesville, passed away on Friday, May 15, 2015 at home. He was born on May 16, 1945 to James and Grace (Kratz) McDonald, who precede him in death.

Jim was co-owner of Finishing Touch Florist; had attended Kemper Military College and IU Bloomington; was a history buff; enjoyed collecting coins, stamps, Civil War guns and swords; and was involved in Boy Scouting with his sons.

He is survived by wife, Karen McDonald; sons, Jamie McDonald, Jason McDonald, and Dane McDonald; daughters, Grace Elizabeth McDonald, Pamela (Matthew) Scaggs, and Cathi (Steve) Nurre; sister, Carol McDonald; great-aunt, Mary Gasser; and six grandchildren.

Services were held on Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center in Noblesville, with visitation immediately prior to the service. Entombment will be at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

James Edward 'Jim' Monroe

November 15, 1934 - May 17, 2015



James Edward 'Jim' Monroe, 80, of Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, May 17, 2015 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. He was born on November 15, 1934 to James C. and Martha Louise (Mattingly) Monroe in Indianapolis.

Jim taught at North Central from 1967-1990, and was the chairman of the science department there from 1971-1980. He had also taught in the Pike School system from 1960-1967 and had been the President of the Pike Education Association from 1965-66. He was also a member of the Indiana State Teacher's Association. After retirement, he served as a substitute teacher for the Noblesville and Hamilton Southeastern Schools. He was an avid gardener; an amateur astronomer; and enjoyed camping and hiking. Jim proudly served his country as a medical corpsman with the U.S. Army Reserves.

He is survived by wife, Kathleen Monroe; children, Daniel (Carla) Monroe, Melinda Monroe Ohlemiller, Jonathan (Christine) Monroe, Thomas (Annessa) Monroe, and Susanna (Chuck) Porter; step-children, Patricia (Larry) Butcher, Walter (Lisa) Morris, Kristine (Rob) Musselman, and Mary Kay (Ron) Dawson; brothers, Richard (Patty) Monroe, and Thomas (Judy) Monroe; 13 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; eight step-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brother, Joseph C. Monroe; sisters, Kathleen Monroe, and LaVonne Wetter; and two infant grandchildren.

Services were held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville, with visitation immediately prior to the service. Burial was at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to North Central High School Science Department, 1801 E 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46240; or, Nurses for Newborns, 7259 Lansdowne, Ste 100, St. Louis, MO 63119. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com

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Sharon (Crockett) Mutter

January 28, 1942 - May 14, 2015



Sharon (Crockett) Mutter, 73, of Carmel, passed away on Thursday, May 14, 2015 at home. She was born on January 28, 1942 to the late Dr. Harold M. and Harriet (Martin) Crockett in Indianapolis. Sharon lived in the Indianapolis area all of her life. She attended Shortridge High School; and attained a Master's Degree in Education at Butler University, where she was a member of Pi Beta Phi.

Sharon was an elementary school teacher until she gave birth to her second child, and retired to be a stay-at-home mother. She returned to work in 1979, and was employed at (formerly) Walker Research, Inc.

In 1994, she began her own business, Sharon Mutter Field Sources, Inc., where she enjoyed a career of more than 32 years in marketing research. Due to this courageous adventure, she met people from all across the country by attending numerous conferences in different states. She achieved much success in her field, and attained multiple awards, including the Honorary Lifetime Membership Award in 2005, the Marketing Research Association's Award of Excellence in 1997, Distinguished Service Award in 1999, and the Great Lakes Chapter Service Award (also in 1997), where she served on every board position in the Chapter and sat on multiple committees. She developed the "Buddy Program" to help new members of the Chapter get acclimated at the annual conferences. She was then affectionately nicknamed "Buddy" by her colleagues. Sharon retired on January 1, 2015 and was planning to attend her final conference in San Diego to be honored for her retirement, service and undying love for marketing research. Her final accomplishment was finally getting on Facebook.

She is survived by her daughter, Lisa A. (Michael) Freestone of Phoenix, AZ; son, Scott A. Mutter of Zionsville; sister, Linda (Jack) Crockett Roberts of Carmel; and brothers, William (Joan) Crockett, and David (Susan) Crockett.

Services were held on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, Indianapolis, IN, with calling beginning immediately prior to the service.

Donations may be made to the Ragan Fund, c/o Fairview Presbyterian Church, 4609 N. Capitol Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46208, 317-251-2245; or the Marketing Research Association (MRA), 1156 15th Street NW, Suite 302, Washington, DC 20005, 202-800-2545. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Marvin Noel Wiseman

January 16, 1934 - May 16, 2015



Marvin Noel Wiseman, 81, of Batesville, passed away on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at The Waters of Batesville. He was born on January 16, 1934 to Marvin and Mary (Volz) Wiseman in Noblesville.

Marvin was a farmer and had also been a maintenance engineer for Carmel High School. He liked woodworking and could fix just about anything.

He is survived by his daughter, Cindy Wiseman; son, Jeff (Gina) Wiseman; grandchildren, Brandon & Brett Wiseman, and Katrina Wiseman; and great-grandchildren, Max & Madison.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, George Wiseman.

Services were held on Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville, with visitation immediately prior to the service. Burial was at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

William H. "Bill" Ruda

January 16, 1967 - May 15, 2015

William H. "Bill" Ruda, 48, formerly of Cicero, passed away in the early hours of Friday, May 15, 2015. He was born on January 16, 1967 to Diana (Cowen) Smith and Joseph Ruda in Casper, Wyoming.

Bill enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his children, fishing, and being out on the water.

Bill is survived by his parents, Diane Smith and Joseph Ruda; and children, Brittany, Jessica, Zach, William, Ayla, Joseph, and Maylynn. He was preceded in death by his sister, Balora Ruda.

It has been decided that Bill will be cremated, and the family has chosen to keep his memorial ceremony private for family and close friends only. Bill's care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Noblesville.

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Thomas E. Reece

August 28, 1962 - May 22, 2015



Thomas E. Reece, 52, of Fishers, passed away on Friday, May 22, 2015 at his home. He was born on August 28, 1962 to Kenneth and Janice (Holtsclaw) Reece in Danville, Indiana.

Tom was the CEO of Marketshare Financial in Carmel, and a member of Fishers United Methodist Church. He was a board member of St. Vincent's Survivorship Board; current president of the Delaware Pointe Homeowners Association; organizer of the Indianapolis Walk for the Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Research; past-president of Mid-America Pancreatic Disease Foundation; past-president of Indiana ESOP Association; board member of the National Football Foundation; and Stephen Minister at Fishers United Methodist Church.

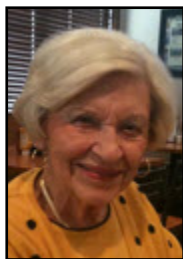
He is survived by his wife, Karen Reece; sons, Kyle T. Reece and Trevor J. Reece; parents, Kenneth Edward and Janice Ann Reece of Martinsville; sisters, Sue (Greg) Carter of Martinsville, Cindy (Tim) Lehr of Paragon, and Kimberly Reece of Martinsville; and grandmother, Gladys Reece of Worthington.

Services were held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at Fishers United Methodist Church in Fishers, with visitation prior to the time of service. Pastor Josh Ditmer officiated. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday at 11:00 am at White Oak Cemetery, 1200 W 7th St, Bloomington, IN 47401.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Lustgarten Foundation, 1111 Stewart Avenue, Bethpage, NY 11714; or St. Vincent Foundation, 8402 Harcourt Road, Suite 210, Indianapolis, IN 46260. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Mary Lee Craig

September 21, 1924 - May 21, 2015



Mary Lee Craig, 90, of Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. She was born on September 21, 1924 to Russell and Florence (Bolyard) Loser in South Bend, Indiana. Her parents preceded her in death.

Mary Lee was a graduate of Noblesville High School and Purdue University School of Pharmacy. She was a lifetime member of the John Purdue Club, President's Council, and Alumni Association of Purdue; as well as Pi Beta Phi and Tri Kappa of Noblesville. Mary Lee was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She loved her family, especially her 14 great-grandchildren. Mary Lee loved to go to Florida in the winter, Minnesota in the summer, and Purdue football games in the fall. She was a lifelong Purdue fan.

Mary Lee is survived by her husband of 70 years, R. Stanley Craig; son, Stephen (Moffett) Craig; daughters, Nancy (David) Skelton, and Beth Wardlaw (Faye Copley); seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were held on Monday, May 25, 2015, at First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville in Noblesville, with visitation prior to the time of service. Pastor Eric Gale officiated. Burial was Tuesday at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville, 1207 Conner Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Esther Knight

March 23, 1933 - May 20, 2015



Esther Knight, 82, of Noblesville, went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at IU Health Tipton Hospital. She was born on March 23, 1933 to Charlie and Hazel (Bradfield) Kemp in Noblesville, Indiana.

Esther retired as a Housekeeper for Westfield Village Nursing Home and had previously worked at Tiny Tot Laundry. She was a member of New Light Christian Center in Noblesville. She loved spending time with her family and going to church to worship.

She is survived by daughters, Peggy (Carl) Colbert; Shirley Knight; Mary Deitz and Sally Womack, sons Mike (Julie) Knight; Billy (Renee) Knight and Tim Knight, brother Robert Lee Kemp, 12 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by husband, David H. Knight, brothers, Frank Kemp and Elijah Kemp, sisters Edith Rigdon and Jenny Golf, granddaughter Shelley Bryant and a grandson.

Services will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at New Light Christian Center, 1905 Hannibal Street, in Noblesville, with Pastor Michael W. Ridsen officiating. Visitation was Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Noblesville. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions New Light Christian Center 1905 Hannibal Street Noblesville, IN 46060. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Deborah L. Wease

September 3, 1961 - May 18, 2015

Deborah L. Wease, 53, of Noblesville, passed away on Monday, May 18, 2015 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on September 3, 1961 in Indianapolis.



Deborah had been the bookkeeper and office manager for her husband's company, Jeff Wease Masonry, and then took over the business when Jeff passed away. She enjoyed playing 9-ball, watching NASCAR and doing word search puzzles.

She is survived by her children, Janel (Mike Callahan) Joest, Jeffrey (Kim) Joest Jr., Jessica Moreland; step-daughter, Shannon Heylmann; sister, Liz Shaw; step-mother, Pat Mason; and grandchildren, Alexis & Samantha Whitesell, Jaylen & Brayden Callahan, Amelia Joest, Jaden Moreland, and Leslie Moreland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff Wease in 2002; her father, Lowell Mason, her mother, Marie; brother, Kevin Mason; and sister, Brenda Mason.

Services were held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville, with visitation immediately prior to the service. Burial was at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Finding out company is coming



By JANET HART LEONARD

Probably the greatest motivator for any female. Finding out that company is coming.
I got the news that we would be having guests (family from Tampa) over the Memorial Day weekend. I realized that somehow it was moved up a week so I immediately jumped into panic mode. I cleaned. I painted. I redecorated. I bought new linens. It's all part of my nesting instinct.
The truth is that I love having company. We are having Chuck's daughter-in-law, Sara and his twelve year old granddaughter, Emma, at our house. I feel like a kid waiting on Santa Claus.

Chuck says " don't wear yourself out getting things ready" Yea...right. I can't help it. I want them to feel welcome and special.
So a week before their arrival we decided to remodel the upstairs bedrooms. Carpet. Paint. Changing the trim and door from brown stain to white paint. New bedding. Candles. Talk about before and after pictures! It was a week of reality HGTV at our house.
Chuck was on a golf trip for a few days and so I stayed up until 3:00 a.m. one night decorating the walls and rearranging furniture in the living room and office. My enthusiasm had carried over to the downstairs. When he arrived back home he asked what he could do. I smiled.
Off we went to Lowes and Gatewood's Nursery and Lowes and the grocery store and Lowes. Yes, we made several trips to Lowes.
The new light on the front porch was a challenge for both of us. Chuck simply said "grrr". But we got 'er done.
When we were painting, I had several shades of beachy, sandy browns and white snowflake on my face, in my hair, on my clothes and on my shoes. After painting, Chuck was spotless, well, actually paintless.
Chuck and I planted 20 plus flowers and bushes. And yes...more mulch.
We decided to invite more of the Indiana families for a pitch in at our home on Monday. Out came the cookbooks. Pulled Pork. Sloppy Joes. Grape Salad. Pineapple Sheet Cake. Texas Chocolate Sheet Cake. Apple Pie. We will have twenty some people here at our little yellow house on the alley.
I am loving all the "getting ready" stuff. Sure, my muscles ache. My eyes are a bit droopy from very little sleep. But my heart is happy.
I learned a long time ago that things don't have to be perfect when I have people coming for a visit but I have also learned it's a great way to get things done that I have been putting off doing. Nothing like a deadline to get my "to do" list checked off. I think Chuck is hiding my new list.
I remember as a kid that it was very common to have people just "drop by" on a Sunday afternoon. My Mom would always fix a pot of coffee and she would insist that they sit a spell and have a bite to eat. She would always be heard to say "now you all come back when you can stay longer". Mom always loved having company.
I know exactly how she felt.

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sprint distance races. We are also excited to add a duathlon, an aquabike and an aquathon category for 2015”, explains TJ Tryon, owner of Heartland Endurance Sports. “We are very excited to include Riverview Health in helping us bring this great race weekend to the area.”
To enter the Cicero Triathlon/Youth Triathlon or the Strawberry 5K, go to <http://www.heartlandendurance.com/results/2015-cicero-triathlon-weekend/> . Those that register before the end of May will receive a reduced entry fee and a guaranteed personalized finisher medal.

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“Sugar in the morning, sugar in the evening, sugar at suppertime ...” McGuire Sisters, 1958

By SHARON McMAHON



I imagine that when the McGuire Sisters recorded this tune many years ago (gosh I sure hope you know who they were!) it was not the intent of their lyrics to include over consumption of sugar and related health issues. But yes, you guessed it - that is exactly my topic this week!
There are several reasons why we should be wary of sugar consumption, one reason being too much added sugar can crowd healthier foods from a person’s diet; calories unaccompanied by fiber, vitamins, minerals, and other nutrients.
Sugar-sweetened beverages such as sodas, energy drinks, and sports drinks are by far the biggest sources of added sugar in the average American’s diet. They account for more than one-third of the added sugar we consume as a nation. ¹ Other important sources include cookies, cakes, pastries, and similar treats; fruit drinks; ice cream, frozen yogurt and the like; candy; and ready-to-eat cereals. I especially want to point out fruit juices – even the “healthiest” juices have quite a bit of sugar. Most of us don’t consider added sugar in canned fruits and vegetables – yes, even vegetables. Manufacturers’ goals are to make us “happy consumers” which includes what I consider to be the addiction of sugar.
According to the National Center for Health Statistics, an astounding 62 percent of adult Americans were overweight in 2000, up from 46 percent in 1980. Twenty-seven percent of adults were so far overweight that they were classified as obese (at least 30 pounds above their healthy weight)—twice the percentage classified as such in 1960. Alarming, an upward trend in obesity is also occurring for U.S. children. What that portends for our future I shudder to consider.
One hundred and fifty-six pounds... That's how much added sugar Americans consume each year on a per capita basis, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Imagine it: 31 five-pound bags for each of us. Only about 29 pounds of it comes as traditional sugar, or sucrose, according to The Sugar Association, a trade group of sugar manufacturers. The rest comes from foods.
In addition to candy, soda, and junk food, plenty of sugar is hiding in places where you might not expect it. Some types of crackers, yogurt, ketchup, and peanut butter, for instance, are loaded with sugar -- often in the form of high-fructose corn syrup, or HFCS. Use of this sweetener has increased 3.5% per year in the last decade, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). That's twice the rate at which the use of refined sugar has grown. An interesting activity I might suggest for my readers is to do a HFCS inventory in your kitchen pantry and frig, very enlightening I predict.
Well this is all rather negative as we approach picnic season – sure we have lots of fresh fruits (some of which can be a source of sugar) and vegetables, but we know we just love that blueberry pie, strawberry shortcake with whipped cream, and banana pudding...oh my. However, if we make a concentrated effort to limit our sugar intake of other foods and beverages by paying attention to added sugars and reading the ingredient labels, we can sometimes indulge in a special treat as long as we practice mindful consumption and get back on the healthy eating track!
Readers – I will be leading a Senior Nutrition Workshop at the Fishers Public Library on Thursday, June 4, 10-11:30 a.m. and this program is free, but registration is required. www.help.lib.in.us or 579-0307 I hope to see you there!
¹ Harvard Heart Letter, Harvard Medical School, February 2014
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owners,” Noblesville Assistant Planning Director Andrew Wert said. “The proposed acquisition of additional property into the City of Noblesville’s planning jurisdiction re-establishes a transitional buffer between incorporated land and rural countryside.”
Any potential jurisdiction changes will not affect property taxes, schools districts, maintenance of roads or require involuntary annexation. Existing agricultural structures on property being used as farmland will not be required to follow zoning regulations.
The community meeting will include public officials. Those unable to attend and have questions or comments are asked to contact Andrew Wert at 776-6325 or awert@noblesville.in.us. For more information, visit www.cityofnoblesville.org/planning/jurisdiction.

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Engaging and inspiring students of all ability levels. Furthering her insight into current jazz music, culture, literature, education and trends through professional development and personal collaborations
Teachers were nominated for the award by their principals and a district review committee ultimately selected Robinson. The criteria for consideration included strong demonstration of: Student-centered, inquiry-based “Miller Shift” classroom instruction
Performance aligned with the district’s mission and vision
Role-model behavior that other educators look to emulate
The announcement of the award was a surprise to Robinson, and was made in front of her peers as part of a high school faculty meeting. As part of the honor, she will be given a trophy, have her name engraved on a plaque at the district Educational Services Center, and is being gifted the use of a new Corvette for the weekend, courtesy of Hare Chevrolet.
She will also be a special guest at the Noblesville Education Foundation’s first annual Miller Gold Awards teacher recognition ceremony and dinner reception held later in the month.
For the first time in approximately 30 years Noblesville decided to revive the tradition of naming a Teacher of the Year. Robinson will now be submitted by the district for consideration in the state level Teacher of the Year competition.
Earlier this year, the Indianapolis Jazz Foundation named Robinson Jazz Educator of the Year for the state of Indiana.

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are simply used as tools to cut seat belts or pry loose something that might have a person trapped in an accident or other emergency.
Carmel Police Chief Tim Green says his department has not asked for any of the military surplus that is no longer being offered or under consideration for recall. Several years ago the CPD did acquire a bullet-proof Peacekeeper vehicle which can be used to give officers protection when approaching a barricaded suspect or other such dangerous situations.
While the likelihood of violent civil unrest in Hamilton County is very remote, the police chiefs say that in such an event mutual assistance agreements would allow them to get immediate help from State Police or other agencies that could bring the manpower and equipment needed to handle the situation.
So, local law enforcement is not going to be disarmed or left in need of military weaponry. But, the question arises as to whether restricting certain weapons in Baltimore or any city will have the desired effect of reducing future violence. Time will tell, but it's hard to imagine how reducing police access to weapons will discourage anyone interested in creating trouble.

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Riverview Health Foundation to host 23rd Annual Heartfelt Thanks Golf Tournament

The public is invited to join Riverview Health Foundation for the 23rd Annual Heartfelt Thanks Golf Tournament on Wednesday, June 24, at Pebble Brook Golf Club in Noblesville.

“It’s sure to be a great day of golf brought to you by event sponsor, BMO Harris Bank,” said Megan Wiles, executive director of Riverview Health Foundation. “Not only will this be a great way to enjoy the summer sun, but it’s also an opportunity to contribute to efforts that enhance patient services and the patient experience provided by Riverview Health.”

Registration for the Florida scramble begins at 9:30 am, with an 11 a.m. shotgun start. There are two packages available this year. The Corporate package is \$1,000 and includes cart and green fees, lunch and dinner, on-course refreshments, eight mulligans and four skirts for ladies’ tee off. The Team package is \$750 and includes cart and green fees, on-course refreshments, and lunch and dinner.

Register by June 17 by contacting Jessica Deering at jdeering@riverview.org or by visiting riverview.org/heartfelt2015.

The Farmers Bank promotes Theda Anderson to Loan Administration Manager



Theda Anderson has been promoted to Loan Administration Manager. She joined the bank in 2008 in the Loan Administration area. Since 2011 she has held the position of Loan Operations Officer. She has more than 30 years of financial services experience, including retail branch management, credit administration, and mortgage lending. Theda majored in Business Law at Indiana Central University.

Anderson resides in Sheridan, Indiana and attends Six Points Wesleyan Church. She is a board member and current Secretary for Biddle Memorial Park in Sheridan and has served as past Treasurer of Credit Professionals International and the National Association for Female Executives.

Local Chorus performing at Purdue



Hamilton County Extension Homemakers Chorus, known as the “Silvernotes”, will be performing at Purdue University’s Elliott Hall of Music on Wednesday, June 10, at 7:30 pm. They will be joining the other 23 statewide Extension choruses on stage under the state organization’s name, “Melody Makers of Indiana Association”. Over 400 women will come together to sing that night celebrating 10 years under the guidance of the MMIA.

The Melody Makers will be directed by its own State Director, Dr. Scott Buchanan, Director of Choral Activities at Indiana State University. The Indianapolis Children’s Choir will be special guests. Tickets are available at the door for \$7.00.

Twenty-six women from Sheriden, Cicero, Westfield, Carmel, Fishers and Noblesville make up the “Silvernotes” chorus. The “Silvernotes” history started in 1934. They appear throughout the county at churches, restaurants, private parties, civic organizations, hospitals and nursing homes. To join or book call 317-773-9263.

Explore the arts during June

June marks Nickel Plate Arts’ annual, organized push to encourage people to explore the arts in their own backyards. The organization’s month-long Nickel Plate Arts Festival celebrates artists and arts experiences in the six towns along the Nickel Plate Railroad: Fishers, Noblesville, Cicero, Arcadia, Atlanta and Tipton.

Following is a sampling of Nickel Plate Arts Festival arts-related events:

- Noblesville: Old Mill Festival, The Strawberry Festival, Arthouse Classes and Open Studios, Bed Race to support Noblesville’s Boys & Girls Club, Belfry Theatre presents “Nunsense”
- Fishers: Paint-a-Plow, Nickel Plate Players presents “Girl’s Night Out,” Conner Prairie Curiosity Fair, Art in City Hall
- Arcadia: Art Nights at 10 West, Tabby Tree Weaver, Hedgehog Music Showcase
- Atlanta: Atlanta Music Hall
- Cicero: Atlanta Music Hall Band at Red Bridge Park
- Tipton: HeART of Tipton Festival, The Diana Theater

Bringing together a range of organizations and events under the umbrella of the Nickel Plate Arts Festival gives the collective group more visibility and support. Nickel Plate Arts works to help develop, promote and/or execute arts events during this exciting month. Information on the complete lineup of events will be available at nickelplatearts.org by May 27. A digital Nickel Plate Arts Guide will be available for download from the site by May 27.

All events held at Nickel Plate Arts are sponsored by the City of Noblesville and Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim. First Friday events at Nickel Plate Arts are sponsored by Brannon Sowers & Cracraft. Nickel Plate Arts’ Judge Stone House Gallery is open to the public every Wednesday-Friday, noon-5 p.m., and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For many more events supported by Nickel Plate Arts, visit nickelplatearts.org.

Nickel Plate Arts is an umbrella nonprofit organization that creates and coordinates arts and cultural experiences across communities to improve the quality of life for residents, strengthen local economies and enrich experiences for visitors. Nickel Plate Arts is a project of Hamilton County Tourism, Inc. The Nickel Plate Arts Trail extends 30 miles through Fishers, Noblesville, Cicero, Arcadia, Atlanta and Tipton. Visit us at 107 S. 8th Street in Noblesville, online at nickelplatearts.org or call 317-452-3690.



The streets of Noblesville were filled with runners on Saturday as the second annual Noblesville Mini-Marathon took place. Runners competed in either a 13.1-mile half-marathon, a 10K race or a 5K race.

Noblesville Announces 2015 Volunteer Award Winners

The City of Noblesville honored six volunteers and two organizations that are making an impact within the community by their efforts at the 2015 Volunteer Awards. The Noblesville Chamber of Commerce partnered with the city to present the awards at Mustard Seed Gardens on May 20.

“It is always wonderful to recognize great volunteers who often serve the community ‘under the radar’ and this gives us a chance to thank them for all they do to make Noblesville such a great place,” said Cindy Benedict, Noblesville community engagement manager.

This is the third year Noblesville has held the awards program.

“We started this award program to recognize great volunteers and encourage all of us to help others,” said Mayor John Ditslear. “It’s also our way of showing appreciation to so many deserving people and organizations.”

This year’s winners include:

Corporate Volunteer Award – Peterson Architecture. Peterson Architecture founder, Darren Peterson, initiated the Noblesville Main Street Thursday Market in 2013 and was co-chairman of the



Front row, from left: Noblesville Community Engagement Manager Cindy Benedict, Becky McGriff, Julia Nicholson, Glen Schwartz and Angela Opalinski of BlySky Cares Initiative; Back row: Noblesville Common Council President Rick Taylor, Darren Peterson of Peterson Architecture, Anita Hagen, Michael Firks, Becky Horton of the Noblesville Boys & Girls Club Auxiliary and Noblesville Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bob DuBois.

inaugural White River Celebration last year. Peterson is an active member of Nickel Plate Arts development committee, Chamber of Commerce Business Advocacy Group and past member of the Noblesville Façade Grant Committee. Through Noblesville Main Street, Peterson Architecture initiated Noblesville

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Hamilton County Softball Sectional action

London and Swartout back-to-back homeruns...

Westfield defeats North Central

The middle of Westfield's lineup went 8-for-9; pounded two home runs; cracked a triple, and unloaded two doubles as the Lady Shamrocks defeated North Central, 10-0, in five innings in first round play at the Fishers sectional on Monday.

Cassidy Ferrer was 2-for-3 and Kristin London and Ashley Swartout each went 3-for-3.

London and Swartout uncorked back-to-back home run in the bottom of the fourth.

Altogether the Shamrocks had 11 hits in four innings.

Meanwhile, on the mound freshman pitcher Madison Seigworth threw a two-hit complete game. She fanned 10 North Central hitters in five innings.

Westfield played Carmel on Tuesday, after press time.



Ashley Swartout



Madison Seigworth

Miller goes three for four...

Guerin falls to Bishop Chatard

Guerin Catholic, which is hosting its own sectional, fell to Bishop Chatard 11-5 in semi-final play on Monday.

The Trojans scored six runs in the third inning to distance themselves from the Golden Eagles. Sarah Miller went 3-for-4 for Guerin, including a triple and a double. Julie Gallina and Megan Collins both hit a double; Collins also stole two bases.

Reed knocks in three runs...

Blackhawks defeat Tipton

Sheridan beat Tipton 11-6 in a first-round game.

The game was tied at 3-3 after the first inning, but the Blackhawks added on six runs in the top of the second, and cruised from there. Audrey Reed, Cassie Vargas and Paige Forrester all had two hits, with Reed batting in three runs. Reed and Forrester both hit a double. Forrester also pitched a complete game, striking out six.

Sheridan plays Alexandria at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the semi-finals.



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Westfield wins HCC and Hamilton County golf meets

The Westfield boys golf team scored a dominant win at the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, which took place Monday at Bear Slide Golf Club in Cicero.

The Shamrocks carded a team total of 290. Timmy Hildebrand was the individual medalist, shooting a 67 and leading the parade of four Westfield players on the All-Conference team.

Also making All-Conference were Thomas Lewis, who finished second with a score of 71, Jerem Ray, who shot 75 and Keith Ponsler, who carded 77.

Noblesville finished third with a 308. Parker Deakyne tied for third individually with a 73, while Josh Keating shot 77. Both were named to the All-Conference team. Noah Lodin and Mitchell Compton both had 79s.

Westfield continued its roll on Thursday, triumphing at the Hamilton County meet at Wood Wind Golf Course.

Westfield won a close meet over Carmel, shooting 308 to the Greyhounds' 312. The Shamrocks had the meet medalist and three of the top eight individuals.

Andrew Lewis carded a consistent 72 to win medalist honors. Timmy Hildebrand tied for fourth with a 76, and Thomas Lewis tied for seventh, shooting a 78. Jeremy Ray scored 85.

Hamilton Southeastern and Noblesville wound up tied for third place in the team standings with 322s. The Millers' Josh Keating was part of the second-place tie with a 75. Lodin and Compton both scored 81, Parker Deakyne 85 and Collin Kinkoad 92.

Guerin Catholic placed fifth as a team, but wasn't too far off with a 324. Kent Linton and Matthew Godfrey each had 79s, followed by Scott Small 82, Nate Isenthal 84 and Drew Fellmeth 85.

Hamilton Heights was seventh with a 376; scoring were Josh Lucas 86, Jesse Reed 91, Alex Trachtman 91, Sam Beale 108 and Alex Beale 108.

Sheridan had two golfers compete: Jared Mars with a 101 and Elliott Barker with a 108.

Guerin and Noblesville defeated in final round

The Guerin Catholic and Noblesville tennis teams advanced to the championship of their respective sectionals this week.

At Carmel's Todd Witsken tennis center, the Golden Eagles beat Westfield 3-2 in the semi-finals. Golden Eagle winners were No. 1 Ashley Jonthan and No. 2 Kelleen Haddad in singles, along with the No. 2 doubles team of Jenna Diebolt and Kristin Frund. The Shamrocks got wins from No. 3 singles Emma Clary, and the No. 1 doubles team of Annika Mabe and Arie Sprout was also victorious. Mabe and Sprout will now advance to the doubles tournament, since Westfield is out of the team competition.

Guerin fell to the Greyhounds 5-0 in the final.

Host Noblesville beat Hamilton Heights 4-1 in its semi-final. Singles winners were No. 1 Jayna Armstrong, No. 2 Kaylin Howard and No. 3 Rachel Dyer. The Millers' No. 1 doubles team of Sydney Thomas and Olivia Goad was also victorious. The Huskies' lone win came from No. 2 doubles, by the team of Abby Hardacre and Lauryn Martin.

The Millers also fell 5-0 in the final, to Hamilton Southeastern.

Track and field athletes advance to regionals

Local schools had several athletes advanced to the track and field regionals after their performances at last week's sectionals.

At the Guerin Catholic girls sectional, Karen Hubbard gave Westfield a big victory, winning the 100 dash in record time of 12.27. Other Shamrock qualifiers for the West Lafayette regional were Rebecca Pronschinske in the 200 dash, Devon Leahy in the 400 dash, Taylor Rogers in the 800 run, Becca Carr in the 3200 run, Sydney Spears in the long jump, Audrey Bullock in the pole vault Jada Caldwell in the shot put and all three relays.

Noblesville's advancers include Dilan Palmer, who placed second in the pole vault, while Deja Cox finished third in the 300 hurdles, and the 4x800 team was third as well. Also advancing are Abi Little in the 1600, Megan Line and Abby Crouch in the 800, Madeline Helsloot in the high jump, and the 4x100 relay.

Guerin Catholic's Rachel Yuska placed second in the 800 to advance. Also qualifying for the Golden Eagles are Lily Hess in the 200, Lindsay Wisdorf in the 100 hurdles, Megan Slamkowski in the 3200 run and the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

Noblesville finished fourth, with Jake Owens leading the way. The senior continued his strong season, scoring wins in the 200 and 400 dashes. Noblesville's 4x400 team also advanced to the Lafayette Jeff regional, which this year will also take place at West Lafayette, as did Eric Ferguson.

Michael Defoe picked up a win for Hamilton Heights, pacing the 110 hurdles. Guerin's Christopher Bluish advanced in the 800 run.

Westfield qualifiers are Aaron Bennett in the 1600 run, Martell Fletcher in the 110 hurdles, and the 4x100 and 4x800 relays.

There will be several more qualifiers to the regional, but an official list had not been issued at press time.

Guerin on baseball on a hot streak

The Guerin Catholic baseball team is entering the tournament on a hot streak, having won five straight games.

The Golden Eagles cruised past Lutheran 11-2 in a Wednesday home game, scoring nine runs in the second inning. Matt Olovich was 2-for-4, including a triple, batting in two runs and scoring another two. Ryan Rueffer was 2-for-3, also with two RBIs and two runs scored.

Luke Buehler got the win, striking out seven in six innings of work.

On Thursday, Guerin Catholic got on top early, and that gave it the momentum as GC beat Covenant Christian 4-0 on Thursday.

Guerin scored two runs in the bottom of the inning, then added a run each in the second and fourth. Olovich and Sam Gorsage each hit triples, while Brazill had a 2-for-3 night at the plate.

On the mound, Brazill threw nine strikeouts in five innings.

On Saturday, the Golden Eagles scored early, late and often in their 11-0 five-inning win at Taylor. Guerin got three runs in the top of the first inning, then ran through the fifth inning by scoring eight times. Matt Labus had a nice game, going 2-for-4, including a triple, batting in four runs and scoring another two. Cole Hepp was 3-for-4, with two RBIs and two runs, while Kyle Hennie was 2-for-3, including a double. Grant Fremion went all five innings, striking out seven.

On Monday, the Golden Eagles beat Madison-Grant in both games of a doubleheader, 13-3 and 17-2.

Guerin Catholic scored eight runs in the bottom of the first inning and cruised from there. Labus was 4-for-4; he was one of four Golden Eagles that hit triples. Kolbe Smith, Olovich and Gorsage also had triples. Smith hit a double; he had three hits along with Hepp. Labus batted in four runs. Buehler pitched four innings of the five-inning game, with five strikeouts.

The second game also ended after five innings, with Guerin scoring nine runs in the first inning. Smith was 3-for-4, with Dax Schnase and Olovich both hitting home runs. Gorsage was 2-for-3 with three RBIs and three runs scored. Olovich also had three RBIs.

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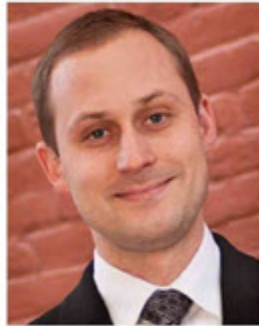
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Huskies defeat county rival Blackhawks

Two long-time Hamilton County rivals went to war Friday evening at Sheridan and the visiting Hamilton Huskies came away with a 4-3 victory.

“We got exactly what we expected from Sheridan, a good battle,” said Heights coach Rick Hawley. “They’ve had a nice year and won their conference.

“Reese Wills did a good job working out of a mess in the fourth inning, and then Aaron House closed the door. It was a strong outing for him and a well-earned save,” Hawley added.

Jordan Kyriakopoulos had two hits for the Blackhawks, with Sam Wetherald hitting a triple.

Heights loses conference game to Peru and drops two at Frankfort

Hamilton Heights fell to Peru 5-4 in a Tuesday Mid-Indiana Conference game.

The Tigers scored three runs in the top of the fifth inning to take the lead. Christian McGill and Aaron House both had two hits for the Huskies, with House batting in two runs. McGill, Treyton Trent and Max Wahl all had doubles.

On Saturday Heights dropped both games of a doubleheader with Frankfort. The Huskies lost the first game 9-2 and the second game 1-0.

Ian Nicholson had two hits in both games, with Brady Spencer and Reese Wills both getting a double in the first game. Wills also had two hits in the second game.

Hoover goes 3-for-4 with two triples in loss to Tri-West

On Thursday, Sheridan fell to Tri-West 11-7. Austin Hoover hit two triples during a 3-for-4 night. Kyriakopoulos smacked a home run and a double for his two hits in the game. Hoover and Jacob Chesney each batted in two runs.



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Millers end regular season winning two out of three

It was a pressure-packed two days of baseball for Noblesville last Thursday and Friday to end the regular season, with the real battle ahead this week at the Zionsville Sectional.

Coach Justin Kevin's Millers ended the regular season last evening at The Dunk, assured of at least a second-place tie in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference with Zionsville, the same Zionsville team Noblesville will play in the opening game of the sectional.

Noblesville got the job done with an 8-7, 10-inning victory at Avon on Thursday, and then after a 3-2 loss to Avon at Dunker Field in a double-header opener Friday evening, a 7-0 pitching gem over the Orioles in the nightcap.

At the same time, Zionsville was losing 1-0 at Fishers. Zionsville, at home, today will have to beat Fishers to claim a second place tie with Noblesville.

Junior Cory Conway and senior Justin Buchanan combined to hurl the five-hit shutout in second game last evening.



Connor Christman



Bryce Masterson



Cory Conway

Noblesville stayed in front of the pack for second place in the conference with a 9-3 victory Monday at Brownsburg.

The Millers had two big innings at the plate, scoring four times in the second and adding four runs in the fourth.

Conway pitched six innings and allowed just four hits, striking out six. Clayton Marowski pitched the seventh.

At the plate, Noblesville banged out seven hits, including a home run and a single by Bryce Masterson. Connor Christman also

homered for the Millers and Austin Shirley added a double.

Rocks defeat Kokomo, stunned by Mavericks and lose to Carmel

Jacob Robinson put on a hitting show and five Westfield pitchers shared in a three hitter as Coach Ryan Bunnell's high-powered Shamrocks continued to win with a 5-0 victory over Kokomo at The Rock. It was Westfield 8th straight victory and 12th in 13 games, moving the Shamrocks' record to 20-6 on season.

The Shamrocks nursed a 1-0 lead until exploding for four runs in the bottom of the sixth.

Robinson had a three-hit game, including a home run and three RBIs.

Harrison Freed picked up a pair of hits and Milo Beam continued his running game with two steals.

Elvin Caldwell was the winning pitcher.

McCutcheon stunned Westfield for five runs in the top of the seventh inning, and that sent the Shamrocks to a 7-2 home defeat Wednesday.

The Mavericks scored a run in the top of the fourth and the sixth, but Westfield answered with a run in the bottom of both innings. Nick Rhodes was 2-for-3, with



Jacob Robinson



Bailey Partlow



Elvin Caldwell

Bailey Partlow and Harrison Freed batting in a run each. Rhodes and Chris Ayers scored for the 'Rocks.

Westfield finished its regular season by reaching the championship game at the

Carmel Invitational. In its first game Friday, the 'Rocks cruised past Park Tudor 14-2. Ayers hit a triple during a four-RBI game, with Brian Skelton and Jacob Robinson both hitting doubles. Rhodes scored three runs.

Noah Shanteau tossed six strikeouts in the win.

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Former NBA Star Bonzi Wells named Director of Basketball Operations at Grand Park Fieldhouse



Grand Park Fieldhouse announce that former NBA star Bonzi Wells will be the new director of basketball operations! Wells, a native of Muncie, IN., had a standout career at Muncie Central High School as he was runner up for Mr. Basketball (Bryce Drew) and received a full scholarship to Ball State University where he played from 1994-1998.

Wells was named the Mid-American Conference (MAC) freshman of the year in the 1994-1995 season. On February 21, 1998, he broke Ron Harper's record of 2,377 points. Wells also led the Mid-American Conference in steals in 1998 with 73, averaging 3.55 steals in 29 games. He led the conference in steals during all four years at Ball State and finished his career as the Mid-American Conference all-time career record holder in points (2,485) and steals (347). While at Ball State, Wells averaged 21.4 PPG, 3 SPG, 7.3 RPG. In 2004, Ball State retired his jersey, number 42, in recognition of his achievements.

Following his career at Ball State, Wells was selected eleventh overall by the Detroit Pistons in the 1998 NBA Draft. He never played for the Pistons, as his draft rights were traded to the Portland Trailblazers for the Blazers' 1999 first round pick. Wells played professionally for 11 years in the NBA (Portland Trailblazers, Memphis Grizzlies, Houston Rockets, Sacramento Kings and New Orleans Hornets-now Pelicans). He averaged a career high 17 PPG during his 2001-2002 season with the Portland Trailblazers.

Rod Sinn, President of Operations for Grand Park Fieldhouse (GPFH) says, "I was thrilled to get someone of Bonzi's stature to head up basketball at GPFH. This really sets us apart from other facilities. Having a former college and NBA star helping kids improve their game on a day to day basis is better than I could have imagined. Bonzi knows what it takes to play at the top level in college, and at the top level of the game, the NBA. What really impresses me the most, however, is Bonzi's passion for helping kids on and off the court. This is another reason why GPFH is so blessed to have him on board."

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Westfield won the semi-final game 8-1. Ayers again smacked a triple, this one scoring two RBIs. Ryan Pepiot had two doubles, with Freed and Milo Beam both hitting one. Beam also scored four runs. Ayers threw seven strikeouts for the win.

The 'Rocks fell to Carmel in a wild eight-inning championship, 6-5. The Greyhounds led 3-0 after three innings, but Westfield scored twice in the sixth and once in the seventh to tie the game, then scored two more runs in the top of the eighth. Carmel scored three times in the bottom of the eighth for the win.

Just like the last two games, Ayers hit a triple, and also had a double. Bailey Partlow had two RBIs.

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Volunteers

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CanStruction in 2013 which has created two colossal replicas of the historic courthouse made entirely from canned and non-perishable food items. This program has donated 9,000 non-perishable food items to the Noblesville Township Trustees Office and raised \$10,000 to relieve hunger anxiety locally. The staff also hosts an holiday ornament contest coordinated with the company’s annual food and clothing drive and works to activate the alleys in downtown Noblesville through wine tastings, markets, festivals, art shows, music programs and more. In addition, all employees volunteer time to their own special projects and causes.

All-Around Volunteer – Anita Hagen. Hagen was nominated by fellow volunteers of the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank in Noblesville, where she volunteers an immeasurable amount of time to ensuring that Hamilton County’s food pantries are stocked. Hagen served as the first president of Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank and continues to volunteer in that capacity for the organization when it is necessary. “Anita’s selflessness and compassion for others serves as an inspiration to everyone in the community,” was written by fellow volunteers in her nomination. With her help, The Harvest Food Bank have collected and distributed more than 235,000 pounds of food to local pantries.

Faith-Based Volunteer – Becky McGriff. McGriff is founder and “chief organizer” of the Body in Training Track and Cross-Country Club. She spends more than 25 hours a week at practices, working on event registration, updating results on the website, coaching and organizing the meets for the faith-based youth sports organization. It is no surprise that her organization has grown enormously over the past few years and now has 168 athletes. Parents of the participating youth have expressed their gratitude for McGriff’s dedication and devotion to helping kids grow physically, mentally and spiritually.

Youth Volunteer Award – Michael Firks. Firks, also known as Cpt. Firks of the Noblesville Police Explorers, has directed his childhood interests in law enforcement to volunteer work in our community. He has served more than 250 hours at the city’s Fourth of July parade and festival, Hamilton County 4-H Fair and the Noblesville Street Dance. Lt. Lucas Chisham of the Noblesville Police Explorers said that Firks refuses to accept breaks from his work because “he prefers to take advantage of every volunteering opportunity available.”

Mayor’s Choice Award – Dallas Wischaupt. There is always an unsung hero, a person whose dedication makes a difference in Noblesville in the areas that we might take for granted. Wischaupt has made notable achievements in the way of education during the course of his career, and even after retirement has found a way to immensely improve the lives of middle school students in our community. He volunteers during the school day for students at Noblesville West Middle School who need extra assistance with math. After school he is a tutor for the Step Up Program through the Noblesville Youth Assistance Program twice a week. “There is no way to measure the number of lives that Dallas has touched or continues to touch on a daily basis by his volunteerism,” NYAP Early Intervention Advocate Joy Petty said.

Nonprofit Volunteer Program Award–Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville Auxiliary. Nominated by Becky Terry, The Boys & Girls Club Auxiliary provides high-quality, low-cost programs for youth members with the help of donors and sponsors. In 2014, 2,121 youth were served and membership continues to grow. The auxiliary awards scholarships to youth,

finances special events for kids, hosts fundraisers and sponsors community opportunities throughout the year. In her nomination, Terry said that “the activities they are involved with change on an annual basis but their commitment to the Club and the kids never waivers.”

Dr. Earl Brooks Outstanding Environmentalist – Glen Schwartz. Schwartz has given much of his life to volunteering and community involvement since fire fighters saved his life after a car crash in 1985. Although Schwartz serves at least 40 hours each week at his business, he devotes another 20 hours towards his volunteer efforts. He is on the advisory board of the Jackson Township Trustee’s Office, participates in annual daffodil

plantings, donates more than 200 hours to regular beautification projects and events, and serves on the Keep Noblesville Beautiful Board of Directors. In particular, Schwartz’s contributions have assisted more than 230 homeowners during the past four Neighborhood Clean-Up Blitzes.

Lifetime Volunteer Award – Julia Nicholson. The Lifetime Volunteer Award recognizes an individual who has shown unwavering dedication to making Noblesville a better place for everyone. Nicholson has been giving back to the Noblesville community since 1975 by directing Bible school programs, volunteering at the Summer Trace retirement home, participating in the Noblesville Good Samaritan Thanksgiving

Program and Meals on Wheels, and countless other volunteer positions. Her time spent volunteering is incalculable, but as Nicholson’s husband said, “service is not measured with the amount of time that is donated; it is measured by the number of lives that can be impacted and improved with volunteer service.” While she has already proved her devotion to volunteering, Nicholson continues to inspire her grandson and other future volunteers to live a life of volunteering.



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