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# Hamilton County Reporter

Assistant Chief takes over in September 2016...

## Fishers Police Chief announces retirement

After nearly 40 years with the Fishers Police Department, long-time chief, George Kehl, has announced that he will retire from the force in September 2016. Mayor Scott Fadness has named Assistant Chief Mitch Thompson as his successor.

"I am so grateful for Chief Kehl's leadership and his tireless service to our community," said Mayor Fadness. "Under his command, the police department has grown into a dynamic, nationally accredited agency that takes a proactive approach to policing."

Chief Kehl joined the Fishers Police Department in 1975 as a part-time Deputy Marshal and became police



Kehl

chief in 1978. During his tenure, the police department has grown from one sworn officer to a department of 103. Chief Kehl has led the department during explosive population growth, and instituted policies that ensured Fishers remained one of the safest cities in the United States. A few of his career accolades include:

- Attended and graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigations National Academy – 1991
- Participated in the LEEDS Academy elite school for law enforcement – 2001
- Served as President of Indiana Chiefs of Police - 2006
- Received the Sagamore of the Wabash award from Governor Mitch Daniels – 2007
- Implemented a successful criminal intelligence unit – 2012

"Serving my community has been the greatest honor of my life," said Chief Kehl. "Our police department is one of the finest in the country, and I have enjoyed every minute of making Fishers a safer place to live, work and play."

"Not only has Chief Kehl protected Fishers for the last 40 years, but he has built a team that will keep us safe for decades to come," said Mayor Fadness. "He's announced his retirement now to ensure a seamless transition for the new department leader."

Assistant Chief Mitch Thompson will replace Chief Kehl as police chief in September 2016. Assistant Chief Thompson joined the force in 1991 and has been assistant chief since 2003. He is a 24-year resident of Fishers.



Thompson

## Glynn addresses issues

By FRED GLYNN

Now that the training center vote is behind us I would like to address a few things. The first issue at hand is the fire tower since it seems to be creating the most controversy. We funded the fire tower as a one-time gesture, nothing more. We felt it was important for the County to avoid becoming entangled in an open-ended long-term financial commitment. The proposal called for onsite county employees, the county to participate in ongoing operating expenses, as well as a whole new government agency to operate this training center. There has also been no explanation offered on where the other millions of dollars will come from to build the rest of the center in the future. We have been saying since January that we did not think the funding formula had the proper expenditure balance between the county and the cities and we did not want the county involved in an open ended ongoing financial commitment. None of us wanted that type of growth in government or long-term expenses, especially since the county is not responsible for fire protection. We even offered a compromise over the last few months where we would fund \$1.5 million as long as the cities did a match. This would have been a one-time expenditure and kept us out of a long-term commitment. Every time we tried to negotiate an equitable win/win solution we were rebuffed and told this is non-negotiable.



Glynn

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Heirbrandt: I don't respect dishonesty

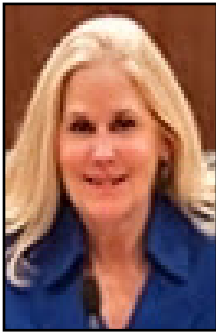
## Commissioners fire back



Heirbrandt



Dillinger



Altman

Upset by comments made in a letter-to-the-editor by Hamilton County Councilman Rick McKinney published in the Hamilton County Reporter, Hamilton County's three Commissioners are firing back.

The latest hassle involves the County Council, by a 4-3 vote, rejecting the Commissioners' attempt to fund \$3 million for a Public Safety Training Center in Hamilton County. The county's four largest cities (Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville and Westfield) have voted to contribute \$40,000 annually to operate the center. The County was asked for a one-time \$3 million to build it.

## Schwartz says McKinney is wrong

Hamilton County councilman Steve Schwartz says fellow councilman Rick McKinney was wrong on three points McKinney made in a letter to the editor published by the Hamilton County Reporter.

\*McKinney wrote: "Never in my 19 years on the County Council have I (or anyone else) ever walked out on a Council meeting in progress and not returned to conclude business on the agenda."

That happened at the last Council meeting when Schwartz and Jim Belden left early after a vote on the Public Safety Training Center.

"McKinney, himself, walked out early in an Aug.22, 2002 meeting," Schwartz claims. "McKinney arrived 1 ½ hours late after a vote had been taken. He was mad that the vote had been taken. He walked out and never came back to that meeting."

\*McKinney wrote: "The Firefighters Union has become politically involved county-wide for more than trying to increase wages and benefits. It is widely believed they were instrumental in the replacement of fire chiefs in 2 (Hamilton County) cities."

"That's just not true," answered Schwartz.

\*McKinney wrote: "Being a student of history I am sure you remember the last incumbent County Council person to lose a re-election bid and who defeated him? George Stevens and Rick McKinney in 1996."

"Just not true," countered Schwartz. "I was the last person to do that, defeating incumbent Brad Beaver."



Schwartz

Land has been provided by the City of Westfield to build the center on River Road in Noblesville.

In the "Commissioner Comments" at the Commissioners' regularly scheduled session on Monday, Commissioners Mark Heirbrandt, Steve Dillinger and Christine

Altman fired back at McKinney and the other three Councilmen (Fred Glynn, Paul Ayers, and Brad Beaver) who voted against the funding. Jim Belden, Steve Schwartz

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## Sheridan announces SMART projects

Last year Sheridan Community Schools, through the cooperation of Duke Energy and Marian University, embarked on a yearlong, community-based strategic planning process.

Sheridan Community Schools Superintendent Dr. David Mundy said, "The purpose of these SMART meetings was to gather input on the desired direction of the district from the community." Mundy stated, after four highly effective and well-attended meetings, three categories of future projects were established, and there were a number of goals for the district to consider and accomplish in each one.

The three categories of focus were Academic Programs, Faculty Needs, and Capital Projects.

Sheridan Community Schools has been able to complete over 40 projects during the summer which will positively impact our students, faculty, and entire community.

Mundy said, "Our focus has been to update the outdated items which needed immediate focus and address the aesthetics of our campuses."

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# Carmel proposes new anti-discrimination ordinance

A new ordinance has been proposed in Carmel to further protect residents from discrimination based on a person’s race, color, religion, national origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family or marital status, ancestry, age, and/or veteran status. Ordinance D-2224-15 has been placed on the Agenda for the Carmel City Council’s next meeting scheduled for Monday, August 17.



Brainard

The ordinance was drafted by Mayor Jim Brainard, along with the City’s legal department and has been Co-Sponsored by six of the seven City Council members. Below is a statement from Mayor Brainard

“The people of Carmel, indeed the people of Indiana, have always been warm, welcoming and friendly to all, both friends and strangers. The term Hoosier Hospitality comes to mind. And while we should all respect the religious beliefs of our fellow citizens – whether they be Jews, Catholics, Christians, Mormons, Muslims, Hindus, Atheists, Agnostics, or one of many other faiths and beliefs – I feel it is important that we recognize there is a distinct difference between how we worship our God in our churches, our homes and our hearts versus how we live, play and conduct business in the melting pot of mixed faiths and passions that we call America.

“Many of the world’s traditional faiths teach and believe the following: Men and women from all walks of life must be treated with respect, compassion and kindness and every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided. It is time that we stop trying to define each other by the variety of labels society has created. It is far

past the time that we look past the colors of our skin, the appearance of our bodies and the choices we make in the privacy of our own lives. It is time we see each other as human beings first and foremost.

“The ‘free exercise of religion’ guaranteed to U.S. citizens in the First Amendment to the Constitution does not give one the right to discriminate. If one were to claim that their religion allows discrimination in treatment of certain groups does it not follow that one can then be exempt from being charged with murder, robbery, theft and other crimes so long as it is done under the auspices of some ‘religion?’

“I hope that this ordinance will make clear to everyone that Carmel continues to be a welcoming place for anyone to pursue life, liberty and happiness with a common respect for each other's dignity.”

Turn to Page 6 to read the complete text of the ordinance.

## GLYNN

We were also told that every city council in the county voted for the operating expenses in the amount of \$40,000 and to move forward so we better comply. Of course the cities supported this. They were not being asked to contribute any of the up-front capital cost. All around our county tax money is being given away to private developers to fund “economic development” projects. This seems to be a much bigger priority for them than a public safety training center. That is fine if that is the priority of our city councils but that doesn’t change the priorities of county government.

The county is in the red every year and the majority of the rainy day fund we have has been earmarked for future projects by the Commissioners. They are asking for \$10 million or more for a highway 37 project, \$21 million to expand the courthouse, and millions more for other projects. We also have to figure out how to house the D felonies inmates in our county beginning next year. Up until now they were housed in state facilities but there is a new law that is shifting responsibility to the counties. This is an unfunded mandate from the state and is a big public safety priority on the county level. We had a meeting a few weeks ago where we were trying to find ways to give our county employees a 3% raise because they are being

paid below the market. What kind of message would it send if we put millions into something that is not a county responsibility instead of paying our employees equitably? We have employees and county priorities that have to be funded so we have to be careful.

The fire tower was put forth because that is what every single person said was the biggest thing they needed. It may have been a mistake because the very people we were trying to help and others are trying to spin it and use it against us to score cheap political points. I have one individual who is respected by people from all political stripes who sent me this note.

“Fred, no good deed goes unpunished. They are not grateful for the tower but indignant. You keep that in mind the next time you are considering extending a 'neighborly branch'.”

There is some validity to this statement. Some of the people who will benefit by having this tower are showing absolutely no respect for taxpayer dollars. I will definitely have to keep that in mind when making future decisions. My job is to scrutinize every spending proposal on behalf of taxpayers. This event will only strengthen my resolve.

Fred Glynn  
County Councilman  
Hamilton County Council District 1

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## SHERIDAN

Over the summer the following projects have been completed or are in progress:

**High School and Middle School:**

- The HVAC at SMS and SHS is in the process of being finished.
- New doors and keying system for security are being put into place and completed in stages.
- The high school track has been resurfaced.
- Several upgrades have been made to the middle school gym.
- The bathroom facilities have been upgraded in every public area of both buildings.
- 1:1 technology (Chromebooks) added for every student in grades 6-8.
- Whiteboards updated in SHS.

**Elementary School:**

- New exit has been added to the front parking lot.
- A washer and dryer has been donated and installed.
- The gym floor has been cleaned and sealed.
- Live security cameras have been added to the front office.
- Roof was repaired.
- iPad Mini’s (grades K-2) and Chromebooks (grades 3-5) added to each grade level.
- Additional equipment was added to both playgrounds.

**District Wide:**

- Cell phone booster across the district for security assistance.
- Addressed needs in Music, Agriculture, Tech, Home Economics, and Art.

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- Painting and landscaping addressed across the district.
- Parking lot asphalt fixed.

Superintendent Mundy stated, “We were able to complete these projects without raising taxes or taking out loans. As we discussed last April in our fourth and final SMART meeting, our initial plan as a district was to prioritize these items and then over the next several years use our Capital Projects fund to slowly check off the list.”

“Working through our state-approved Capital Projects fund would have taken several years, and we would have remained focused to accomplish these goals. Our allotted amount in the capital projects budget from the state came in at the lowest level we have received in several years. However, in mid-April the school board came upon a one time, unique opportunity that we took advantage of.”

Sheridan Community Schools, through refinancing current debt and taking advantage of historically low interest rates, was able to recoup a significant amount of money for use on capital projects and various enhancements. This refinancing is a onetime opportunity and will not increase the tax rate of the district.

“After studying all our options we know refinancing was more fiscally responsible than a new bond or other loans. Therefore, we have worked diligently to spend the money in the most responsible manner and have worked numerous hours to make sure everything is done properly,” concluded Mundy.

## COMMISSIONERS

and Amy Massillamany voted in favor of funding the \$3 million.

Additional comments also have been presented to the Hamilton County Reporter.

**Heirbrandt’s Comments**

I have tried to be accommodating as I know the both of you (Dillinger, Altman) have, too, in regards to answering questions and even providing a public workshop meeting with the Council to answer any questions they had. As both of you know, I work with Commissioners and Councils throughout the state and have been very

successful in communication between both bodies in my work over the past 16 years

I have always respected other people’s viewpoints and opinions even though we may disagree on a subject. I have always been respectful to those, even if we disagreed.

What I don’t respect is dishonesty. We saw some of this on Wednesday night (at the Council meeting). The comments Councilman Fred Glynn made that “nobody wanted to provide us with any information.” How could you have forgotten all the information provided to you?

For the record, the Commissioners held a special workshop meeting in June to specifically answer all of the questions the Council had. A special booklet was prepared by Dan Stevens answering all of the Council’s questions in advance of the meeting. They all had the opportunity to submit their questions.

In addition, we clearly asked for an appropriation of \$3 million. This was the message even in our workshop meeting. Why Councilman Glenn continues to mislead the public that this is going to grow into a \$42 million project is wrong! A \$42

million project was NOT presented to the Council.

I am proud of how we collaborated with all of the communities for support to provide a service that could have benefited all of the citizens of Hamilton County.

### Dillinger’s Comments

I just don’t understand why 4 Councilmen think they have, somehow, a better representation of the taxpayers than 3 Commissioners, 3 Council members, 4 mayors, 34 city council members, 9 township trustees and 27 township board members, all of whom support this project.

I also didn’t understand how each of the 4 Councilmen who voted no because they said it was not the County’s responsibility to provide fire training and then turned around and voted to appropriate \$568,000 for a fire training tower.

I sat there in the audience (of the Council meeting) and listened to four negative votes on this, all of them saying the reason they voted against it was because it was not the County’s place to provide statutorily fire protection. Then the same four made a motion to appropriate \$568,000 for a fire tower. It just made me believe the reasons they turned it down were other reasons than what they were saying.

### Altman Comments

I’m disappointed. I think we did everything in our power to take the time to inform people what the project was, what the scope was, why it was a good idea for the County to underwrite the capital costs because we (County) are the only entity that can assure that everybody participates in a project and it made sense from the capital standpoint. We specifically asked over and over again, do you have any questions? Have we satisfied what you wanted to know? I didn’t get any questions from Mr. Glynn. Did you. (Heirbrandt responded no; Dillinger responded no). Altman asked Stevens if he was asked any questions on this process. (Stevens responded no.) We sent them emails and handed out information well in advance of the working meeting and invited the Council members specifically if they had questions.

For anyone to imply that they were not informed is insulting and should insult everyone who sat and took time to come to the workshop meeting.

(Heirbrandt added it was disrespectful. Dillinger added it was a year’s worth of work down the drain).

We get elected to do the right thing for the people of Hamilton County and I don’t think that was done at the Council’s last meeting.

# WORLD...

## ...Take My Children By The Hand

My children started school this week. It's going to be strange and new to them for a while. And I wish you would sort of treat them gently. You see, up to now, they have been king and queen of the roost. They have been boss of the backyard. I have always been around to repair their wounds and to soothe their feelings. But now things are going to be different. This morning, they are going to walk down the front steps, wave their hands and start on their great adventure that will probably include wars, tragedy and sorrow. To live their lives in the world they have to live in will require faith and love and courage. So, World, I wish you would sort of take them by their young hand and teach them the things they will have to know. Teach them - but gently, if you can. They will have to learn, I know, that not all men are just, that not all men are true. Teach them that for every scoundrel, there is a hero - that for every crooked politician, there is a dedicated leader - that for every enemy,

there is a friend. Let them learn early that the bullies are the easiest people to lick. Teach them the wonder of books. Give them quiet time to ponder the eternal mystery of birds in the sky, bees in the sun and flowers on a green hill. Teach them that it is far more honorable to fail than to cheat. Teach them to have faith in their own ideas, even if everyone else tells them they are wrong. Try to give my children the strength not to follow the crowd when everyone else is getting on the bandwagon. Teach them to listen to all men, but filter all they hear on a screen of truth and to take only the good that comes through. Teach them to close their ears on a howling mob - and to stand and fight if they're right. Teach them that the word AMERICAN ends with...I can! Teach them gently, World, but don't coddle them because only the test of fire makes fine steel. This is a big order, World, but see what you can do...They're such nice children.

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## Dorothy Hiatt Alkire

July 11, 1921 - August 3, 2015

Dorothy Hiatt Alkire, 94, went home to be with the Lord on August 3, 2015. She was born in Carrington, ND on July 11, 1921, and resided most of her life in Lebanon, Indiana and Westfield, Indiana.

Dorothy is survived by a Sister, Helen Whitmoyer (Robert); Nieces Donna Snyder (Ron), Linda Darimont (Bob), Karen Snarski (John) and Nephews David Whitmoyer (Jeane), Allen Hiatt (Cheri) and several great nieces and nephews.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her Father, George C. Hiatt, Mother Elva C. Hiatt, Husband Wayne Alkire and Brother, Donald Hiatt.

A private family ceremony will be held in her honor. Fisher Family Funeral Service has been entrusted with the arrangements.

## Katherine "Katie" Alice (Faucett) Waters

March 9, 1940 - August 10, 2015

Katherine "Katie" Alice (Faucett) Waters age 75; of Kirklin, Indiana, passed away on August 10, 2015 in Noblesville. Katherine was born on March 9, 1940 to the late Gilbert J and Maxine (Harshman) Faucett in Frankfort, Indiana. Katherine graduated from Kirklin High School class of 1958, she worked for UNI Electric. Katie was a member of Sheridan Six Points Wesleyan Church, she enjoyed watching birds, fish, gardening but she especially loved her family; whom will greatly miss her. Katie leaves behind her husband James Waters of 57 years. Three children Terri King of Kirklin, Gary (Tracy) Waters of Colfax and Kenneth "Kenny" (Kathy) Waters of Kirklin. Seven loving grandchildren Aaron and Adam King, Jessica, Amanda and Paige Waters, Nichole Sawyer and Shelby Peutz and ten great-grandchildren. Preceding Katherine in death is a Great Granddaughter Taylor and a sister Sue Stowers. Funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday August 14, 2015 at Sheridan Six Points Wesleyan Church located at 1545 W 226th St. Sheridan, where friends and family are invited to gather from 11:00 till time of services. Pastor Steve Martin will be officiating; burial will follow services at Oak Hill Cemetery in Kirklin. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Arthritis Foundation 615 Alabama St. Indianapolis, Indiana 46202. Online condolences may be made to fisherfunerals.com. Fisher Family Funeral Services has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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- Psalm 92:1

## 50 Years Ago

August 12, 1965

**News:** The enthusiasm Tuesday evening of more than 2000 spectators coupled with the unsolicited, but welcome cooperation of "prevailing winds" helped make the 4-H Exhibit Dress Revue a huge success.

**Sports:** Weather permitting, the Hamilton County Pony League Tournament will enter its third evening with a pair of games at Sheridan tonight and still the upset ax has yet to fall.

**Deal of the Day:** Lords: Ladies Cotton Check Gingham dress, only \$1.97!

## Patricia 'Patti' Lee Hatcher

September 29, 1946 - August 11, 2015

Patricia 'Patti' Lee Hatcher, 68, of Fishers, passed away on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at home. She was born on September 29, 1946 to Robert L. and Velma C. (Neal) Harper in Indianapolis.



Patti was a medical records administrator, and retired in 2010. She attended Hamilton Hills Baptist Church in Fishers, and earned her bachelor's degree from Indiana University. She enjoyed traveling, working in her yard and playing Bridge with friends, but her true joy came from spending time with her family and grandchildren.

She is survived by her children, Kent (Angela) Hatcher, Kellie (Clem) McDonald and Lisa (Doug Hinegardner) Hatcher; grandchildren, Rebecca & Allyson Hatcher and Kate & Molly McDonald; and many extended family and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Patrick Alan Hatcher who passed away in 2005.

Services will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, August 15, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road in Fishers, with Pastor Doug Baker officiating. Visitation will be Friday, August 14, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the funeral home. Burial will be at Washington Park East Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hamilton Hills Baptist Church, 10293 East 126th Street, Fishers, IN 46038.

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# Fire at Brixx injures two



Photo courtesy Fishers Fire Department

Two workers were injured in a kitchen fire at Brixx, a Fishers pizza restaurant, Tuesday morning. The Fishers Fire Department quickly put out the fire, which was initially reported to be a flash fire in the kitchen area. Sprinklers were activated in the area. The workers sustained non-life threatening injuries. One was transported to Eskenazi Hospital in Indianapolis, while the other was treated on the scene. Brixx is located at 8594 E. 116th St., and is closed until further notice. The initial damage estimate is around \$200,000. An investigation is ongoing.

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# Text of Carmel’s proposed anti-discrimination ordinance

**ORDINANCE D-2224-15**  
**A ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA, PROHIBITING CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY CONDUCT WITHIN THE CITY**

WHEREAS, it is the policy (“Policy”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) to encourage a diverse citizenry and to, within constitutional and statutory limits, make its businesses, housing, public accommodations, education, employment, contracts, programs, services, and amenities equally available and open to all persons; and

WHEREAS, the Policy serves a compelling governmental interest and is the least restrictive means of furthering that interest; and

WHEREAS, after appropriate discussion and deliberation, the Common Council of the City has determined that discrimination in the provision of and/or opportunity to participate or enter into businesses, housing, public accommodations, education, employment, contracts, programs, services, and amenities on the basis of a person’s race, color, religion, national origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family or marital status, ancestry, age, and/or veteran status is a burden to the objectives of the City’s Policy and contrary to the American principles of freedom and equal opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. The following addition should be and the same is hereby made to the Carmel City Code, shall be codified therein as Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 6-8, and shall read as follows:

“§ 6-8 City Nondiscrimination Policy

(a) It is hereby declared to be the policy of the City that no person, corporation, partnership, company, or other individual or entity located within, or conducting business within, the City’s corporate limits shall discriminate against any other person in the provision of and/or opportunity to participate in or enter into a place of business, obtain housing, use public accommodations, obtain an education, obtain and maintain employment, enter into a contract, and/or participate in or obtain any program,

service, or amenity provided to the general public on the basis of the latter’s race, color, religion, national origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family or marital status, ancestry, age, and/or veteran status.

(b) Any person or entity that violates the City’s Nondiscrimination Policy as set forth in subsection (a) above shall, in addition to any fines, penalties, and other terms and conditions imposed by any federal, state, or county court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction, be subject to a fine of up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), plus reasonable attorney fees and costs, for each such violation, each act of discrimination against a person and each day during which an act of discrimination continues constituting a separate violation.

(c) Exclusions:

This section shall not apply to

(1) Religious worship and clergy while engaged in religious duties or activities; however, business activities by religious institutions or clergy are not excepted;

(2) A not-for-profit membership club organized exclusively for fraternal or religious purposes and/or any not-for-profit social club that is not open to the general public, so long as the same is exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code, as amended;

(3) Any persons or property expressly exempted under Indiana Code 22-9 et seq., Indiana Code 22-9.5 et seq., or any other applicable and binding law or court decision;

(4) A private residence or private gathering not open to the general public;

(5) The maintenance of separate restrooms or dressing rooms for the exclusive use of persons of one gender;

(6) The hiring or referral for employment of a person for a job position on the basis of sex, religion, and/or age in those certain instances where the same are lawful bona fide occupational qualifications for the job position at issue.

Section 4. If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance so long as enforcement of same can be given the same effect.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and signing by the Mayor.

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How to survive your first (and surprisingly intimidating)...

# Cow-milking experience

By MEGAN MELTON  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

Besides giving us real-life experience, BSU Journalism at the Fair is super fun. When we aren't working on creating stories to pitch to real-life news outlets, we get to do a lot of awesome things. Like eat ice cream for breakfast.

Colleen and Ryan are in charge of our functionally dysfunctional family, and they make us have "family-fun time." Yes, that is the official term.

Today's family-fun time outing was mandatory cow milking. (Colleen's idea.)

I really didn't know how to feel about it. I've never milked a cow before today, and as soon as we started walking across the hot parking lot, a couple of questions came to mind.

1. Why Colleen? WHY?!
2. Who is the person who figured out that by squeezing the udder of a cow, you get milk? And why were they squeezing the cow's udder in the first place?
3. What if the cow kicks me in the face?
4. If I sneeze, will the cow get scared and will milk squirt out?
5. How do you even do this? Do you just, like, squeeze the little knob thing?

Well, we went to the animal nursery, which is a big white tent with a bunch of cows under it.

Inside the tent were cows in various stages of the pregnancy cycle. Some gave birth that very morning, and I was pretty sure that one of them was in labor.

Anyway, we didn't really know where the milking guy was. I don't know his official title, but he was very nice to take our whole group of 30+ on.

Finally, he came around the corner with this other guy who almost got kicked by the dairy cow we would be milking.

I think she was offended by his shirt, which read something along the lines of "Don't talk to me, I don't talk to stupid people."

Eventually, it was my turn to milk the cow. Her name was Essie, and she was being a very patient participant in this whole shebang.

The milking guy told me to start at the top and work my way down. Here are some tips I learned that might help a first-time cow milker.

- Don't pinch the teat. You need to kind of use the little dip between your thumb and your pointer finger to squeeze it.
- Talking to the cow helps calm you down—you, not necessarily the cow.
- If the milk doesn't come out with one of the teats, try another one! My bet is the one that's already dripping.
- Don't have a cow (see what I did there?).

The udder feels like the skin on your



Photo by Allison Coffin/BSU Journalism at the Fair

Cow-milking can be somewhat intimidating, but there are some tips that will help calm down a first-time milker.

elbow, because that's what it's supposed to feel like.

It wasn't the kind of real-life experience I expected from BSU Journalism at the Fair. But, in the end, it was fun. You never know

when you might need to be able to milk a cow. Also, there is such a thing as a cow milking scholarship, so get to milking!

## \$2 Tuesday brings large crowds to state fair

By KARA BERG  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

The Indiana State Fair can be taxing on wallets and waistlines.

While most people might consider a \$5 corn dog and a \$7 funnel cake worth it once a year, it's an even better bonus when there are \$2 corn dogs and funnel cakes throughout the fair.

So for vendors and fair-goers alike, \$2 Tuesday is a big hit.

"Everyone likes to try all of the different things," said Don Morgan, a co-owner of Morgan Family Enterprises, which owns three food stands at the fair.

"You can see the traffic, and it'll be like this until 10 o'clock tonight."

Most food vendors have to have a \$2 item featured, so there is no shortage of deals. Admission to the fair is also \$2, making lines at the gate extra long.

Morgan offered three chicken fingers for \$2, which is a discount from the normal five for \$5.

In the past, Morgan said the demand for the \$2 deal was so high he had to switch his special from curly fries to chicken fingers. He didn't have enough fryers to keep the fries coming, so the lines grew too long.

"We needed something that wasn't such a high demand," he said. "People would stand in line for a half-hour [to get fries]."

So the supply-and-demand chain is how he chooses what to feature on Tuesdays. Still, last year on the first Tuesday of the fair, Morgan went through 20 cases of chicken fingers. That added up to 3,000 pieces of chicken.

"The second Tuesday isn't usually as busy," Morgan said. "They're both good, but the first Tuesday is better on sales normally."

Blake Reas, the owner of Carousel Foods, said their sales on \$2 Tuesdays pick up "quite a bit," and not just for the cheaper items. His other foods also increase in popularity, because people buy drinks or a corn dog to go with their \$2 deep fried brownie.

"A lot of the kids come out, and it helps bring a lot more people to the fair," Reas said.

Many vendors, like Reas, will make their \$2 treats smaller to better match the smaller price and keep their profits up.

"You do a lot more business," he said. "You won't make as much as if all the prices are normal, but it's as good as a weekend. It's like adding a few more weekends to the fair. It's nice."

Lesley Gordon, the media and community outreach manager, said \$2 Tuesday is definitely one of the fair's more attended days.

"Fairgoers love it, and the vendors seem to like it," she said.

## Oddball fair displays satiate your curiosity

By JOE GROVE  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

An all-spoon band. A sculpture carved from cheese. Men riding wild bulls—on purpose. A building-high corn stalk. Children on leashes. Cats on leashes. A llama wearing a potato suit. A horse in a tiny pink hat.

And we won't even mention what some of the people are wearing.

Where is the best place to find this offbeat stuff? The Indiana State Fair. Here is what we've uncovered so far.

Live Castration/Spay Demonstration

This one isn't a sight for the weak-stomached, but if you've ever wondered what happened the weekend Spot came back sad, this is a good demo for you. It's a live veterinary surgery that shows the entire process from animal sedation to the final stitch.

Located in its own dedicated tent near the back of the Fairgrounds, the surgery is performed in a sterile, window-covered trailer while spectators sit on benches in front.

Like a macabre sports game, the surgery is broadcast on two screens at each side of the crowd.

The Indianapolis Animal Care and Control provided the dogs that undergo the surgery as a mandatory part of being in a shelter. All pets are available for adoption as well.

Don't worry, in case you aren't all that familiar with dog insides, a veterinarian narrates the entire process as well as answers questions from the crowd.

The event is free, happening twice a day at 2 and 5 p.m.

Becoming a Certified Gourd Spinner

Yes, this is a real thing, and most of the BSU students here at the fair are now certified gourd spinners.

The Indiana Gourd Society began in 1991 and has provided the certification opportunity—currently in the Purdue Extension Agriculture/Horticulture Building—for years now.

Tennessee Spinning Gourds (Cucurbita Pepo) are small pear-shaped gourds that, once dried, are perfect for spinning. A snap of the fingers and quick draw back of the hand will produce an upside-down gourd, spinning like a top.

Designed as an attraction for kids, many adults stop by the stand to give the gourds a whirl. As we were there, visitors averaged four attempts. Two members of the BSU crew did it on the first try, the author included. (Not to spin my own gourd or anything.)

You can spin gourds all day—it's free and you even get to keep your gourd and a certificate proclaiming your advanced status in society.

Churning Butter with Miss Marilyn

What do most people do after retiring? Some vacation, others may take a part-time job. Marilyn Sowers churns butter.

A retired postmaster from Wallace, Ind., Sowers took up butter churning as a hobby about 12 years ago. She's been teaching others to churn at the state fair for the last six years.

"[I think] it is very important for everybody to learn about how stuff was," Sowers said.

She admits to buying her own butter from the Amish neighbors but will occasionally churn her own butter.

Watch Miss Marilyn churn butter and join in yourself at 1 p.m. every day in Pioneer Village. Spectators can churn their own butter (for free) and keep their hard work, in case they haven't ingested enough fat, tasty butter.

## REVIEW: Top 5 main-dish picks for \$2 Tuesday

By JOE GROVE  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

Two-dollar Tuesday happens twice during the 17-day run of the Indiana State Fair. During \$2 Tuesday most food vendors will have one or two special items for which they only charge \$2.

Most vendors will offer a small version of their big draw or others will lower their lowest priced item to \$2.

For this list we sampled various items that could be considered a main dish.

1. Sirloin Tip Sampler Meal – The Pickle Barrel

Sirloin tip pieces, sautéed onions and marinated mushrooms over mashed red-skin potatoes. This is the most "full meal" item we found, and it is certainly worth the \$2 fee. After trying the sampler meal, we would definitely be willing to buy a full, regular meal, priced at \$12.

The sirloin tips were tender and juicy, the mushrooms were marinated perfectly, and the onions had great flavor to add to it all. The only thing missing would be a thick, hearty gravy to go over the top.

2. Caribbean Jerk Teaser – Da Blue Lagoon

This is a good choice for those who seek out the spice of life. Da Blue Lagoon's jerk chicken has an awesome grilled flavor that ramps up into a powerful spice while eating. It comes with a portion of rice flavored with a sweet sauce and a fried plantain dumpling. The plantain doesn't impress the palate, but the rice and chicken combo are a great mix of sweet and spicy.

Da Blue Lagoon also offers a fried coconut shrimp and rice combo for \$2 Tuesday.

3. Mac Daddy – The Big Cheeze

Following the latest trend of making childhood favorites a gourmet food item, The Big Cheeze has quite a few choices of pumped up cheese toasts. The Mac Daddy is a macaroni and cheese grilled cheese. Yes, you read that right. The Big Cheeze takes cheddar mac and cheese, puts it between two pieces of bread and toasts it to create a big, slightly spicy, wonderful twist on a childhood favorite.

For \$2 you get half a sandwich, more than filling, but if you're on Atkins, this is one to avoid.

4. Totchos – Fiesta Grill

"Totchos" are new to the fair this year and can only be described as tater tot nachos. A healthy serving of tater tots topped with salsa, nacho cheese and sour cream makes a very filling main dish. Fiesta Grill uses a mild salsa that is very chunky and tastes great. Their nacho cheese isn't overwhelmingly spicy, and the sour cream helps everything pop.

The portion is a very good size for \$2 and is very filling.

5. Teriyaki Chicken Noodles – Island Noodle

Available with or without chicken, the teriyaki noodles make a good meal for vegetarians and meat eaters alike. The small tray they come in doesn't make it a walking-friendly dish, but they are great sitting.

Island Noodle uses a very tasty teriyaki sauce, one that many people are probably familiar with. The sauce covers the large chunks of veggies, which include carrots, broccoli, cabbage, snap peas and onions. This is one that brings people back to pay full price on the other days.

## Boy Scouts prepare fairgoers for survival

By MILLER KERN  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

Pop! The sound of firing BB guns tears through the air. Sparks fly from flint to light shredded cotton balls. Cranks creak and turn, twisting strands of twine.

Tucked in a corner of the fairgrounds, across the dusty infield from the crowded midway, a tiny Boy Scout Camp remakes itself every morning.

Crossroads of America Council, Boy Scouts of America sets up a Boy Scout Base Camp at the Indiana State Fair to instill fleeting survival skills in young people.

After walking into the camp, participants have five choices for their first move. Looking clockwise at the camp, they can opt for a fire-starting station, virtual shotgun shooting, rope making, interactive television programs or BB gun shooting.

At the fire-starting station, a member of Crossroads of America Council gives visitors a shredded cotton ball in a round cake pan, a stick of flint, and a blade.

After handing out the materials, the council member instructs his students to strike the flint with the blade "really hard and really fast." Five-year-old Keaton Knott struggled with the timing of his flint sparks Tuesday. After finally claiming vic-

tory over the cotton, he asked, "Can we have a s'more with this?"

Inside a dark tent, just past the flaming cotton balls, waits virtual shotgun shooting. This consists of a screen that sends three red laser "discuses" to target and shoot. Each participant is allowed two shots per discuss.

Next stop on the round is rope making. This is a third wheel's time to shine as creating a rope requires three people. Each person is in charge of a different part of the process: the hook, the crank, and the "doohickey," as Sam Fields, a member of Crossroads of America Council, Boy Scouts of America, calls it.

The rope production starts with Fields securing six strands of twine to the hook and the crank. He then inserts the "doohickey" between the strands. One person holds the hook, another maneuvers the "doohickey" up the strands, and the third person turns the crank. After the rope is completely twisted, Fields cuts it into three sections to split among the creators.

After claiming their twisted creations, camp visitors can move along to the interactive TV station. Here, they learn survival information and test their knowledge with



# Bull riders, fighters don’t let injuries keep them from rodeo

By KARA BERG and LAURA ARWOOD  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

Dustin Nelson has blown out his knee, broken his ankle, fractured his fingers and busted a few ribs—and that happens all the time.

The 33-year-old had to think about how often he had been injured while fighting bulls in the rodeo, because injuries occur so often it just isn’t something he thinks about much.

Nelson has been riding bulls since he was 8 years old, fighting them since he was 18.

“Knock on wood, I’ve been pretty damn lucky,” Nelson said. “I started riding young ... It gets interesting. There’s a lot of blood.”

As a fighter, Nelson’s job is to protect the riders when they fall off their bulls. The bull riders need a lot of trust in the fighters—after all, their safety is in their hands. Because of that, and because they have traveled around together for many years, they are a close-knit bunch.

“I consider them family,” Nelson said. “We aren’t related, but I basically live with them, and they are my family.”

Nelson doesn’t get to see his real family that often—he has a wife, three kids and two dogs he only sees about 65 days of the year—so his rodeo family has taken over that space.

Even so, he doesn’t get homesick, he said.

“This is my home,” he said, pointing to the trailer behind him.

Because Nelson doesn’t like technology—he has a flip phone—he doesn’t FaceTime his family at all, but he calls them and they visit “often,” he said.

Some places they go, there’s no cell service for miles.

“It’s like 20 years ago,” Nelson said. “Those are my favorite places.”

Even with the separation from his family, busy schedule and frequent injuries, Nelson hasn’t considered an alternate career at this point in his life.

“Some part of me always thought I would quit when I was 40, or go until I wasn’t good anymore,” Nelson said. “But I keep getting asked back to the Great Lakes Circuit finals. I must be good then.”

Jake Morehead, the owner of Three Hills Rodeo and a bull fighter, said this job is something that goes all year round without any kind of break.

“We’re always doing something,” Morehead said. “We’re always feeding the animals or running the rodeo.”

The rodeo belonged to his parents before him.

“We’re focused on tradition and family,” Morehead said. “This is a good, clean show. Rodeos are economically good, they’re entertaining, and they give people a taste of the old Wild West.”

Chase Miller has been riding for 22 years.

“It’s wild,” he said. “If you think about the physics of it, you’re standing still in the pen, and then when the gate opens, the horse comes out, but you’re still standing still. You’re trying to move with the horse for eight seconds.”

Miller grew up riding. He also followed in his parents’ footsteps.

Like Nelson, Miller has suffered injuries in the ring. In 2009, a horse fell on him and he woke up in a hospital four days later, his whole left side “lagging,” he said. When he first tried to walk, he fell straight out of the bed.

So he took two and a half months off, then got right back into it. He could have used another four months off, he said, but he needed to get back into the ring.

“It’s all I’ve ever known and it’s all I’ve ever loved,” Miller said. “The idea of an office job or a 9-to-5 is scary. My job isn’t scary.”



Photo by Kaytee Lorentzen/BSU Journalism at the Fair

Tyler Kijac of Union City, Michigan rides Cat Call in the World’s Toughest Rodeo in the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand Tuesday night.

Six years after his injury, Miller is fully back in the ring and wouldn’t change his career for anything.

“When you’re riding, it’s like the world drops out from underneath you over and over again,” he said. “My biggest fear [when I woke up] was that my rodeo career was over.”

## 4-H Cat Show draws in new, old participants

By MEGAN MELTON  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

What do you get when you combine cramped morning car rides, embarrassing costumes, and a room full of angry cats?

At the Indiana State Fair’s 4-H Cat Show, proud owners flaunted cats of all ages, sizes, colors and breeds.

The cat show, which took place Monday in the Farm Bureau Auditorium, consisted of a costume contest, a cage-decorating contest, an overall showmanship competition and the admiration of adorable cats.

Eighteen-year-old participant Jacob Pell from Lebanon was one of the only males in the competition. He showed his not-such-a-morning-cat and overall grand champion of the competition, Romeo.

Romeo was a ball of gray fluff, and Pell was welcoming but reserved, like his cat. Pell has been showing cats for nine years.

“You have to be close to your cat,” Pell said, “and your cat’s going to feed off your energy. If you’re freaked out, then your cat is going to be freaked out too.”

Barb Thuma, the 4H Cat Show manager, said attendance for the cat show has been growing.

“We have people that come every year because they really like it,” she said. “We [also] have several families this year who have said it’s their first year.”

One of those families included mom Amanda Poe, who has been doing 4-H for 10 years, and daughter, newbie Kaylee Poe from Marion.

The 9-year-old was showing Nala, a striped and spotted Bengal cat. Nala was not so happy to be stuck in her cage, and let everyone who passed her know it.

Kaylee, though, was full of smiles and determination. She said she was in between excited and nervous for her first state fair show. The preparation for the fair had proved a little frustrating.

“Nala attacks me almost every day,” she said.

That might not be enough for disqualification, though, depending on the judge.

“They look for well-groomed cats and for pleasant personality. If your cat is hissing and biting the judge,” Thuma said. “It will probably not do well.”

Carol Blacketer, one of the judges who has been involved in 4-H for 30 years, said she likes to look for the “twinkle star quality,” but the way the cat is behaving isn’t always what she judges on.

“These cats come from air-conditioned homes and there’s a lot of stress being here,” the Lafayette native said. “Some frowny faces are okay.”

Hissing and scratching aside, the state fair cat show holds a special place in the heart of Lee Ann Eizinger, the state fair board director who is in charge of the cat show.

“I’ve been coming to this fair since I was 9 years old, and I brought my kids and their livestock for 11 years,” Eizinger said. “It’s just an honor to be in this position.”

As she mentioned, livestock is usually the first thing that comes to mind with 4-H, but the 4-H cat project was started to include everyone.

“There’ve always been barn cats,” Eizinger said. “Everyone has cats.”

She has many reasons to participate in the fair and cat show, and she said the 4-H program is very important to the youth involved.

“They’re bringing their families,” Eizinger said. “It’s a multi-generational thing today, and they’re making their memories... To be in the 4-H program, it teaches you a lot. A lot about life.”

One of Blacketer’s reasons is involved is to educate 4-H cat owners about caring for their animals, she said, but her main motivation is more personal: “It’s also to get my cat fix.”

## Families connect, build relationships through horse shows

By SOPHIE GORDON  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

In the back of the Youth Arena sat a circle of 15 collapsible chairs. The Mares, McCorkles, Fridleys and other families from around Lapel filled the seats. Karley Fridley was in the ring, showing her horse, Blackjack. Jaydann McCorkle was off with her Belgian draft horse, Ed. And Joe Mares was resting before showing his Belgian draft horse, Big B.

Though these 4-Hers compete against one another for titles and awards, most recently at the Indiana State Fair, their families’ relationships extend far beyond the show ring.

“I just like it because it’s fun,” Joe said. “You get to meet a lot of different 4-Hers.”

There are some 4-Hers, though, that Joe sees often.

There’s Jaydann, the 14-year-old friend of Joe. Her family sports blue T-shirts with the words “Bud’s Belgians” printed on the back in honor of her late great-grandfather. They contrast the red “Big B” shirts the Mares family wears. The competition between the friends, however, is friendly. Jaydann and Joe encourage one another at shows. They joke that they trade off winning, with Ed winning one competition and Big B taking another.

“We both started at the same time,” Jaydann said. “My great-grandpa started Joe and I together with different draft horses, and we just kind of made a friendship over it.”

There’s also Wyatt Poling, a 12-year-old boy who shows horses from the Mares’ farm. Wyatt had hoped to show his horse at the fair, but his horse fell ill, and Wyatt made the decision not to bring him.

Instead, he watched the others, lending a hand when he was needed.

And then there’s Karley, who returned from her last 4-H showing. Blackjack, her 27-year-old Tennessee walking horse, is retiring, and Karley has reached the end of her 10 years in 4-H.

“He tried to run over a judge,” Karley said, as she approaches the group. There were a few laughs and some inquiries about how she placed.

The Mares and Fridleys have known each other for years. Karley said her older sister, Dana Fridley, helped Joe’s older brother, Tom Mares, train his horse. And now, the Mares have given back by allowing Karley to ride their horse, Blackjack.

“We’re all super close,” Karley said. “Everyone gets along with each other. We don’t have any problems within the group. ... We’re always doing stuff together, whether it has to do with horses or not.”

According to 4-H Horse and Pony Superintendent Jim Baker of Elkhart County, there are 662 horses competing in various categories over the next week. He has worked with 4-H horses for 32 years and firmly believes in the success of 4-H.

“The 4-H program, as far as I am concerned, is one of the finest youth programs in the country,” Jim said. “Whether they win or lose, it’s good experience. They love it or they wouldn’t be here.”

Joe walked away with a second place ribbon in the English halter competition. He is proud of the accomplishment, but the day isn’t over. He has the draft halter and draft driving competitions ahead of him. But he has a whole team of friends and families there for support.

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quizzes. The final stop on the camp route allows singles or pairs to shoot BB guns at five targets.

Patrick Covell from the Crossroads of America Council runs the base camp and supervises the staff.

“I’m kind of the logistics person,” he said.

Covell oversees the six to eight staff members on duty each shift. He enjoys watching them teach children about Boy Scouts.

“Our whole purpose is to inform kids and raise awareness that these skills aren’t dead,” he said.

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Pioneer Villagers become ‘family’ through shared hobby

By LAURA ARWOOD  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

Nuzzled between barn exhibits at the Indiana State Fairgrounds lies Pioneer Village, a town taken right out of the 1800s. The visitor momentarily travels back in time as he sees the coppersmith waiting on customers in his shop, the general store clerk in a white apron selling bags of flour, the blacksmith banging away at a red-hot piece of metal.

Pioneer villager Stacy Vosters has participated in the exhibit since birth, a newborn her mother dressed in costume and stuck in the corn crib. In her 26 years at Pioneer Village, she has come to consider this her family and returns year after year.

Today, dressed in a pink blouse and ankle-length skirt, standing in the traditional coppersmith’s shop, Vosters looked as content as if she were sitting on her living room couch in sweatpants.

“I know everyone here. I’ve come here my whole life,” Vosters said. “I grew up with these people and their kids. We’re all in it together.”

The Pioneer Village, funded by the Purdue Agriculture Alumni Association, has been a standing attraction at the fairgrounds since 1961. It started with Mauri Williamson, the executive of the association, who took the initiative to display the equipment.

“One day Purdue decided we needed to save some of these old farms, so I decided to help preserve [farm life] from technology,” Williamson said.

Purdue continues to help fund the village, which continues to grow in equipment and visitors. Farming families have donated almost all the tractors and steam engines and hand tools—even a saw mill—allowing the village to expand.

“We didn’t know if anyone would come see [the village], but our first year we had 20,000 people walk through our doors,” Williamson said. “Now we have over 300,000 people visit us each fair, and we have 300 people working here.”

Pioneer Village is not the only time-warp themed attraction, but Williamson insists it’s unique.

“There’s nothing like this, not to this extent,” he said. “We have Connor Prairie, but that’s a museum. We’re really a community here.”

A notable tradition the villagers have developed is called the “threshing meal,” taking after an old farming tradition. When farmers traveled together to share the work during harvest, the wives would cook a feast called a threshing meal to serve to the tired farmers after a long day.

“It came to be a time for the women to show off their skills, and all of those families wound up bonding over it,” Vosters said. “So we do it here. We eat in our kitchens that look like displays, but it’s where we eat lunch and dinner everyday. It’s important. Even outside of here it is important to us.”

From sharing meals to staying at the 4-H dorms on the fairgrounds, the group considers one another family. Jacqui Dykstra, Dakota Shirar and Vosters call themselves “the

three musketeers.” These ladies began a tradition of fair pranks early on.

“One year we had a triple shotgun wedding with the three of us,” Shirar said. “I was maybe 12, the others were about 16 or 17. Wade Johnson brought out the altar and was hyping everything up.”

Vosters continued the story through peals of laughter.

“Yeah, he brought out the whole rigmarole, and our dads were holding shotguns. They started pulling random guys out of the audience. Some people freaked out. They thought it was real,” she said.

The musketeers were always doing something to get a laugh, like using pillows to make fake pregnant bellies, then riding the train around the fairgrounds for a reaction. No one was spared from the pranks.

“One year, we posted a wanted poster of [a villager], and a visitor saw the poster and took it seriously,” Vosters said, “They called the cops.”

While Vosters has her fair share of fun, the time spent pioneering is special to her and the other musketeers. As they grow up, the residents of Pioneer Village are coming back with their own children to start the next generation of pioneering.

“I don’t have kids yet, but if I ever had a family I would always want my kids to be involved,” Vosters said. “This isn’t just my family while I’m here, this is my family outside of the fair. I spend all of my time with people I met here.

“We’re best friends, forever.”

Habitats for Humanity builds 2 homes in 14 days at State Fair

By KARA BERG  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

Shawn Everitt is used to working on a house when everything is completed. He just puts the finishing touches on the floor.

What the Carmel man isn’t used to doing is starting work on a house from scratch and finishing it in 14 days, which is what the Greater Indiana Habitat for Humanity is orchestrating at the Indiana State Fair.

“This is something I think is such a good cause,” Everitt said. “Anytime you can help out someone it’s a good feeling.”

Everitt has never worked on building a house before, but he said the volunteers who have worked extensively with Habitat do a great job teaching those newer to home construction. Meanwhile, even though the

houses are in the back of the fairgrounds, crowds of people walk by and see the progress of the construction, almost like a time-lapse film.

“Being at the fair makes it more enjoyable,” Everitt said.

He works at Floors to Your Home in Indianapolis and Noblesville, one of the sponsors for the two houses Habitat for Humanity is building at the fair. The houses started from nothing and will be completely finished by the dedication ceremony Aug. 21.

A house normally takes two to three months to finish with six to eight volunteers a day, but at the fair, more than 40 people volunteer each morning and afternoon.

This is Habitat’s sixth year at the fair and its first building two houses, said Jessica

Conway, quality experience liaison for the Greater Indiana Habitat for Humanity.

“It’s awesome we get to engage so many volunteers and so many homeowners in training,” Conway said. “We have a great partnership with the fair.”

Because these houses are built so much faster than usual, the construction crew has three “tigers,” or experienced Habitat for Humanity volunteers, at the site. They wear orange shirts and make sure everything is going smoothly.

“They’re the core group,” Conway said. “They’re our backbone.”

Scott McDonald was one of the tigers working on Sunday. Before the fair started, he said there were months of preparation and planning.

“This is a great group of people,” McDonald said. “They want to be here and are eager to learn.”

Without an enthusiastic and hard-working crew, building a house so quickly would be impossible, he said.

McDonald started volunteering part-time before he retired, full-time after.

“I was looking for a purpose with my retirement,” he said. “I always enjoyed construction and the community aspect [of Habitat].”

Now he works on building and helps teach volunteers, who often come from sponsoring companies, the tools of the trade.

“Most of us didn’t know much [coming in],” McDonald said, “so you learn as you go and then pass it on.”

Llamas entertain from county to state level

By MILLER KERN  
BSU Journalism at the Fair

So a presidential candidate, a mermaid and a baked potato walk into the Champions Pavilion ...

This may sound like the start to a bad joke, but it was actually how the Llamas and Alpacas Open Costume Show started at the Indiana State Fair Saturday.

Children and their llamas shuffled into Ring 2 like trick-or-treaters in a line — Anna and Elsa from “Frozen,” Joy and Bing Bong from “Inside Out,” Toothless and Hiccup from “How to Train Your Dragon,” and many other characters and themes. Some llamas pulled away from their owners, some refused to move. Some even tried to shimmy out of their costumes.

Fair-goers came from all corners to witness the spectacle. They occupied every seat and every side of the ring. They laughed, cheered and gasped as they watched llamas parade around the ring. Two children peered over tops of heads and around bodies as they asked their parents what was happening. The parents chuckled

as they tried to explain the scene in front of them.

Along with the costume show, llamas at the fair participated in showmanship, pack, obstacle, halter class and leaping limbo events. There was even one that called on the crowd to participate. The Cruisin’ Cria show required audience members to stand in a circle in a pen. A handful of baby llamas and alpacas were then set loose inside the circle. This event drew laughter from the audience members remaining in the stands as baby llamas and alpacas kicked each other and their captors.

Mary Jo Miller has been judging these llama and alpaca shows for 16 years, six at the Indiana State Fair.

“I love the interaction with the kids and seeing the quality and impact 4-H has on them,” Miller said.

Two of the contestants she judged this weekend were Madison Wells and Maya Carpenter from Allen County. Both girls are going into their freshman year at Carroll High School in Fort Wayne. Wells has been in 4-H for eight years, and Carpenter has been for five years.

At the Allen County 4-H Fair, Carpenter won the Showman of Showmen title, meaning she received the most points out of every participant showing llamas. This may have given her an edge at the county level but did not have the same impact in the state competition.

“For here, that just means I have to step up my game even more,” Carpenter said. “There are a lot of good showmen here, so it’s very intimidating.”

Carpenter’s llama, Stellar, a brown and cream-colored male, is still new to the game, so he did not do as well as hoped. The pair didn’t place in the first few events, but this didn’t bother Carpenter.

“I like the fact that there’s more competition,” she said. “I know you want to place and all, but it’s also good for my llama so he can learn.”

Throughout her time judging, Miller has seen participants grow and learn from year to year.

“It’s phenomenal the way they improve,” she said. “Not only their showmanship, but their personality as well. Success boosts their confidence.”

While Carpenter has competed at the state level before, this year was Wells’ first time—and she swept the competition. She won the reserve title for 4-H showmanship, two second-place titles in obstacles and a third-place title in obstacles.

To prepare for these events, Wells worked with her llama, YOLO, a dark-brown female, on obstacles and showmanship, then bathed her and brushed her out to look nice for the judges. Wells said it is important to bond and work with the animals.

“If you have a good relationship with your llama, it’s more like a team effort,” Wells said.


Wells enjoys spending time with her llama and loves her like a pet.

“You just bond with the llama,” Wells said, “kind of like a dog.”

Carpenter’s bond with Stellar is so strong, the animal can sense how she’s feeling and reacts accordingly.

“I have to stay calm,” she said. “If I get nervous, he knows I’m nervous so he’s going to get nervous and not do as well.”

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Smack off the top:

# Carmel at Southeastern

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

One of the top games on high school football opening night (Aug. 21) could be Carmel’s trip to Hamilton Southeastern. Could!

Football giants in the state year after year and backyard Hamilton County rivals, this rivalry has been all-Carmel.

It didn’t start that way. In the first-ever meeting between the Royals and Greyhounds, Southeastern won a thriller, 15-7. The next eight regular season games were won by Carmel, the series ending in 2004 with a 14-13 Carmel victory.

The series ended because the Hoosier Crossroads Conference, in which HSE played, went to a nine-game conference schedule, leaving no wiggle space for Southeastern to play Carmel.

That changed again last year and the two local powerhouses agreed to play again. Carmel won 14-7.

Except for that first meeting way back in 1997, Southeastern has beaten Carmel once, 17-7 in a 2005 sectional game.

So, the Royals and Greyhounds will meet again on Aug. 21 at HSE. Both teams, arguably, have something to prove.

Carmel went 13-1 last year, losing to Ben Davis in the state championship game.

Gone at Carmel is Kevin Wright. Trying to reload is 11-year assistant John Hebert.

Southeastern is trying to recover from its first losing season since 1993. The Royals went 4-6 last year, the first losing season in eight years for Coach Scott May. The Royals tried to recover at the end, winning three of four games, but then lost to Fishers, 21-0, in the opening game of the sectional.



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Aaron Matio will be one of the offensive leaders for the Hamilton Southeastern football team this season.

Both Southeastern and Carmel are reporting good opening weeks of practices.

“We had a very good first week, which was capped off with an intra-squad scrimmage,” Hebert talked about his Greyhounds.

Friday scrimmages

Guerin Catholic at Madison-Grant, 7 p.m.  
Franklin Central at Southeastern, 7 p.m.  
Carmel Intra-Squad 7:30 p.m.  
Lawrence North at Fishers, 7 p.m.  
Crawfordsville at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.  
North Central at Noblesville, 7 p.m.  
Heights at Anderson, 7 p.m.  
Westfield at Ben Davis 7 p.m.

“Our running backs have had a good camp so far. Tobias Watkins is our feature back. He has great vision and

Halsell and CJ Williams all had good runs in the scrimmage.

“Four juniors,” Hebert continued, “have stood out all camp. They are wide receivers Jalen Walker, tight end Kurt Rafdal, defensive end Britt Beery and defensive end Kylan Cole. Wide receiver Ethan Merriweather is another emerging star in the junior class.”

“Week 1 was good; we got in lots of work,” said May about the Royals’ opening. “I am happy with how our kids are working.

“Guys leading the charge on offense are lineman Nick Sink, running back Curtis Goss, quarterback Carter Poiry, tight end Mathew Klink, H back Aaron Matio, offensive lineman Joe Myron, sophomore Jackson Sweeey, Will Coudret, Will Michalis and wide receiver Greg Miller.

Matio was named to The Reporter’s second team All-County last season.

“We’re in our normal game week with school starting this week,” added May.

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Girls golf...

Singer wins medalist honors at Cathedral Invite



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Guerin Catholic's Marissa Singer was the medalist at Monday's Cathedral Invitational.

Guerin Catholic's Marissa Singer was the medalist at the Cathedral Invitational, which took place Monday at Maple Creek Golf Course.

Singer picked up her second medalist award of the year by shooting a 79, then winning a playoff for first place. Singer tied with Fishers' Morgan Lewis, who also carded 79.

The Tigers placed the highest of the four Hamilton County teams at the meet with a team score of 351. The Cathedral White squad won with a 337, edging out Zionsville Green's 339. Anna DelPrince added an 81 for Fishers, which placed her in a four-way tie for third.

Hamilton Southeastern placed fourth with a 361. Rachel Eaton led the Royals by shooting 89. Hamilton Heights finished with a 446. Caitie Gehlhausen carded an 81, also making her part of the third-place tie.

Gehlhausen won medalist honors at a Tuesday three-team nine-hole match at Crawfordsville's Milligan Park Municipal Golf Course. The Huskies won the meet with a score of 210, with Frankfort shooting 218 and the host Athenians carding 247.

Gehlhausen shot a 40 for her victory. Other scores from Heights were: Syd Lucas 51, ArieAnna Stretch 56, Kate Biggs 63, and Lexi Tucker 66.

In its first nine-hole meet of the year, Westfield beat Alexandria 160-226 at Wood Wind. The Shamrocks were led by medalist Cailyn Henderson's 38, followed by Adrienne Montalone 39, Margaret Wentz 40, Morgan Baechele 43 and Emma Clary 49.

Carmel won an all-county dual meet with Noblesville Monday at Prairie View Golf Club, 161-168. Greyhounds senior Makenzie George was the meet medalist wiht a one-under 35, followed by Angie Kavanaugh 40, Rani Hecht 41, Bella Layman 45, Tyler Smith 46 and Erin Evans 46.

Noblesville scores were not available.

In junior varsity action, Carmel beat Noblesville in two dual meets last Thursday at Fox Prairie. The 'Hounds won the first meet 178-209; Evans and Libby McGuire were co-medalists with 432, followed by Anna Colosi 45, Ailish Cornwell 47 and Nina Hecht 48. Carmel won the second dual 186-234; Ella Woods was the medalist with a 41, followed by Claire Heger 42, Mattie Tom 46, Lucy Frey 57 and Faith Stegemoller 60.

On Tuesday, the JV Greyhounds beat Fishers 180-185 at Prairie View. Heger was the medalist with a 44, followed by McGuire 45, Colosi 45, Woods 46, Tom 48, Hecht 50 and Cornwell 50.

AT CATHEDRAL INVITE

Team scores: Cathedral White 337, Zionsville Green 339, Fishers 351, Hamilton Southeastern 361, Zionsville Silver 380, Brebeuf Jesuit 399, Guerin Catholic 408, Cathedral Gold 429, Bishop Chatard 438, Hamilton Heights 446, Cathedral Blue 475. Medalist: Marissa Singer (GC) 43-46=79.

Fishers scores: Morgan Lewis 41-38=79, Anna DelPrince 42-39=81, Kennedy Brooker 46-46=92, Kate Alt 48-51=99, Grace Brooks 57-50=107. Southeastern scores: Rachel Eaton 40-49=89, Jen Dixon 46-44=90, Esther Bahn 44-47=91, Chelsea Morrow 46-45=91, Julia Eaton 48-48=96. Other Guerin Catholic scores: McKayla Tallman 46-53=99, Megan Ahlgrim 57-54=111, Kylie McMullen 55-64=119.

Heights scores: Caitie Gehlhausen 41-40=81, Syd Lucas 50-57=1-7, AireAnna Stretch 57-65=122, Lexi Tucker 68-68=136, Kate Biggs 67-71=138.

Josh Bell's walkoff wins it for Indians

Josh Bell doubled twice, drove in three runs and scored on a sacrifice fly to lead the Indianapolis Indians to a 4-3 walkoff of the Toledo Mud Hens in 11 innings on Tuesday night at Victory Field.

Bell twice tied the game for the Tribe before giving his club an outright lead in extra innings. He capped a three-hit night by doubling to the right-field corner to send the speedy Keon Broxton racing home to score the walkoff winner from first base.

The top prospect Bell also erased a 1-0 deficit in the third inning on a sacrifice fly from Gorkys Hernandez, and then matched Toledo's two scores from the top half of the seventh with a single up the middle that plated both Broxton and Willy Garcia during the home half of that frame.

Top pitching prospect Tyler Glasnow authored his first Triple-A quality start while taking a third consecutive no-decision. He struck out six and allowed just one run over six innings.

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USA Swimming Nationals...

Carmel's Adams wins two events

Carmel swimming star Claire Adams won two events at the Phillips 66 National Championships, which took place Aug. 6-10 at San Antonio Texas.

Adams, a senior at Carmel, swept both the 100- and 200-meter backstrokes, breaking the one-minute barrier in the shorter race. Adams was one of four Carmel Swim Club athletes, with Amy Bilquist placing sixth in the 50 freestyle, and Emma Nordin and Veronica Burchill also swimming individual events. The four swimmers then teamed for a second-place finish in the 4x100 freestyle relay.

Lauryn Parrish and Lauren Edelman both swam for the Fishers Area Swimming Tigers, with Edelman placing 22nd in the 400 individual medley.

On the men's side, Brennen Berger, a former Carmel swimmer now at the University of Louisville, finished 65th in the prelims of the men's 200 meter breaststroke.

Women's 50 meter freestyle  
"A" Final: 6. Amy Bilquist (CSC) 25.26.  
"C" Final: T21. Veronica Burchill (CSC) 26.00.

Women's 100 meter freestyle  
"B" Final: 12. Veronica Burchill (CSC) 55.91.  
"C" Final: 17. Amy Bilquist (CSC) 55.38, 22. Claire Adams (CSC) 56.45.  
Prelims: Emma Nordin (CSC) 57.84.

Women's 200 meter freestyle  
"C" Final: 24. Emma Nordin (CSC) 2:02.44  
92. Lauryn Parrish (FAST) 2:06.08.

Women's 400 meter freestyle  
Prelims: 70. Emma Nordin (CSC) 4:21.25, 80. Lauryn Parrish (FAST) 4:27.50.

Women's 100 meter backstroke  
"A" Final: 1. Claire Adams (CSC) 59.58.  
"B" Final: 11. Amy Bilquist (CSC) 1:01.45.

Women's 200 meter backstroke  
"A" Final: 1. Claire Adams (CSC) 2:09.44.  
Prelims: 57. Lauryn Parrish (FAST) 2:17.75.

Women's 100 butterfly  
"C" Final: 17. Veronica Burchill (CSC) 59.74.  
Prelims: 43. Claire Adams (CSC) 1:01.03.

Women's 200 butterfly  
"C" Final: 18. Veronica Burchill (CSC) 2:13.18.

Women's 100 breaststroke  
Prelims: 77. Lauren Edelman (FAST) 1:13.80.

Women's 200 breaststroke



Bret Richardson/File photo

Carmel's Claire Adams, shown here during the sectional swim meet, won national championships in the 100- and 200- meter backstroke events at the 2015 Phillips 66 National Championships this past weekend in San Antonio.

Prelims: 60. Lauren Edelman (FAST) 2:37.92.

Women's 200 butterfly  
Prelims: 65. Lauren Edelman (FAST) 2:18.54.

Women's 200 individual medley  
Prelims: 44. Lauren Edelman (FAST) 2:18.34.

Women's 400 individual medley  
"C" Final: 22. Lauren Edelman (FAST) 4:49.96.

Women's 4x100 freestyle relay  
2. Carmel "A" (Veronica Burchill, Claire Adams, Emma Nordin , Amy Bilquist) 3:44.85.

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Toronto 4, Oakland 2  
Tampa Bay 2, Atlanta 0  
Miami 5, Boston 4, 10 innings  
N.Y. Mets 4, Colorado 0  
Cleveland 5, N.Y. Yankees 4, 16 innings  
Chi. Cubs 6, Milwaukee 3  
Kansas City 6, Detroit 1

Chi. White Sox 3, L.A. Angels 0  
Minnesota 3, Texas 2  
St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 3  
Arizona 13, Philadelphia 1  
Seattle 6, Baltimore 5, 10 innings  
San Diego 11, Cincinnati 3  
L.A. Dodgers 5, Washington 0  
San Francisco 3, Houston 1

American League					National League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB	East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	61	50	.550	-	N.Y. Mets	61	52	.540	-
Toronto	62	52	.544	0.5	Washington	58	54	.518	2.5
Baltimore	57	55	.509	4.5	Atlanta	51	62	.451	10.0
Tampa Bay	57	56	.504	5.0	Miami	45	68	.398	16.0
Boston	50	63	.442	12.0	Philadelphia	45	69	.395	16.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB	Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Kansas City	68	44	.607	-	St. Louis	72	40	.643	-
Minnesota	56	56	.500	12.0	Pittsburgh	65	45	.591	6.0
Detroit	54	59	.478	14.5	Chi. Cubs	63	48	.568	8.5
Chi. White Sox	53	58	.477	14.5	Cincinnati	49	62	.441	22.5
Cleveland	52	59	.468	15.5	Milwaukee	48	66	.421	25.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB	West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	61	53	.535	-	L.A. Dodgers	63	50	.558	-
L.A. Angels	59	53	.527	1.0	San Francisco	60	52	.536	2.5
Texas	55	56	.495	4.5	Arizona	56	56	.500	6.5
Seattle	53	61	.465	8.0	San Diego	54	60	.474	9.5
Oakland	51	63	.447	10.0	Colorado	47	64	.423	15.0

## Catchings guides Indiana past Washington, 73-62

Tamika Catchings scored a game-high 20 points, 10 in the fourth quarter, to pace the Indiana Fever to a 73-62 win over the Washington Mystics, Tuesday at Verizon Center.

Catchings shot 9-of-18 from the floor and also finished with six rebounds to match Tina Thompson as the second-leading rebounder in WNBA history (3,070). She already is the league's second-leading

scorer and its all-time leader in steals and free throws.

Overall, Indiana owned a 37-26 rebounding edge and used a dominant third quarter to overcome an early deficit to win for the fifth time in six games since the All-Star Break. Indiana evened the season series with Washington (2-2) and pulled into a third-place tie with Washington in the Eastern Conference, both at 13-9.

"I looked at this game like a playoff game," said Catchings, avenging a 2-point performance and a 68-50 loss here on July 17. "As a team, we left here with a bad taste in our mouths the last time."

Asked of tying Thompson on the league's all-time rebounding chart, Catchings quipped, "I'm old. That's what that means."

The 36-year old All-Star added, "It's important for me to go hard every time I step on the floor. It's the way I play."

Playing hard is how the Fever overcame its 12-point deficit midway through the second period.

"For us to come back like we did, with all our energy and hustle plays just to get back in the game by halftime, that was special," said Fever coach Stephanie White.

Indiana led 11-9 early, but surrendered an 11-2 run to lose the lead. Back-to-back-to-back 3-pointers by Tierra Ruffin-Pratt, Tayler Hill and Ivory Latta staked the Mystics to a 29-17 lead with 6:20 left in the first half.

Remarkably though, Indiana led at the break and never looked back.

The Fever outscored the Mystics 15-2 to close the second quarter, then opened the third period with a 10-4 run. After three successive offensive rebounds, a driving layup by Tamika Catchings put the Fever ahead 44-35 with 5:11 left in the third.

Indiana dominated Washington 20-6 in the third period and enjoyed its largest lead at 52-37 on a short jumper by Lynetta Kizer. Washington scored the last seven points though, to pull within 52-44 entering the final quarter.

But the Mystics never got closer. Catchings made 4 of 5 shots in the fourth quarter and iced the game with a pair of free throws in the final minute.

Former University of Maryland and Mystics star Marissa Coleman added 11 points for the Fever, as did offseason trade acquisition Shenise Johnson who scored in double figures for the 11th time in the past 12 games, coinciding with a streak that has seen the Fever win 9 of 12.

Washington was led by Ruffin-Pratt's 17 points. Latta added 13 and Hill pitched in 12.

Indiana played without rookie center Natalie Achonwa who remains active with the Canadian National Team at the FIBA Americas Championships in Edmonton.

Indiana continues a four-game road swing at Phoenix, Sunday, when the Fever plays three straight on the West Coast.

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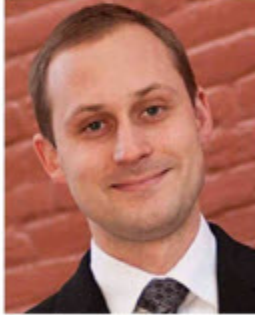



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