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Commissioners say no to HAND

you lose a few. And, there are times you're not sure of winning or losing.

So it has been early last week for HAND and for local businessman Rocky Shanehasz for control of the Noblesville Grain Elevator property located on the north side of Walnut Street between 8th and 9th Streets...

On Monday evening, HAND appeared in front of the Hamilton County Commissioners, requesting:

*Asking that the Commissioners pledge \$225,000 of CDBG funding (federal grant money that the Commissioners control) from its existing housing budget towards the Noblesville Granary. These funds will go towards the acquisition of the property because of funding restrictions of CDBC funds.

*Asking the Commissioners to pledge \$250,000 towards the Noblesville Granary and 300,000 towards Blackhawk Commons (the old Sheridan high school) for the provision of quality affordable **See HAND...**

Sometimes you win a few. Sometimes housing, preservation of historic properties, and the economic development of two distressed areas. We ask for these funds to be available upon the receipt of a tax credit reservation on or around Feb. 25, 2016. HAND will record a covenant on the property assuring the County that these developments achieve their expected aims. If not delivered, and maintained for 20 years, HAND will repay the County the \$555,000 in full.

The Commissioners said yes to the CDBG

The Commissioners said yes to the \$300,000 funding from the general fund to the Blackhawks Common project.

The Commissioners said no to the \$250,000 request for the Noblesville Granary project.

The basic reason for the no given to the Noblesville Granary project was that in doing so the Commissioners would be giving money for funding of a project that

Heights teachers vote to ratify two year contract

Hamilton Heights School Corporation and the Hamilton Heights Classroom Teachers for the PPO Plan. The Dental plan changed Association ratified the 2015/2017 contract last Wednesday and it was approved unanimously by the Board of School Trustees the following morning.

"We feel the adjustments made to the contract will enable the district to attract and retain highly qualified teachers placing as perfect attendance bonus saving the much money as possible on the corporation \$14,800 over the two year compensation model designed without period. In addition, a grievance procedure deficit spending," said Peggy Jackson, was added back into the contract and sick Hamilton Heights Chief Financial Officer, bank payback capped at 25 days. who worked diligently behind the scenes on the adjustments to ensure a positive outcome teachers scoring effective or highly effective for the teachers and district.

Overall compensation will increase 2.02% in 2015-16 and 2.05% 2016-17. The salary range for 2015-16 increased to \$35,000 to \$70,437.67 and \$36,583.19 to \$70,437.67 for 2016-17. In addition, adjustments were made to teacher's benefits to allow for a cost shift to salary and reducing the corporation contribution level.

The corporation will pay 75% of Dental, Vision, LTD, and Life change as opposed to paying all but \$1. The corporation shaved 5% off and will realize a two year savings

The Board of School Trustees of the of \$124,697 on health insurance by paying 80% for the High Deductible Plan and 75% from a reimbursable plan administered by the corporation to Delta Dental costing an additional \$43,816 over a two year period.

> The on-going and retirement Veba Contribution were eliminated resulting in a two-year savings of \$93,866 as was the

> Compensation awards will be based on on the evaluation. Teachers may earn an additional award for being chosen "HHSC Teacher of the Year" for Leadership.

> Salary increases and benefit adjustments will cost the district \$295,661 for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years.

> "The positive outcome of this contract is a strong testament to the caliber of personnel we have working in our district and their passion for our students overall experience at Heights," added Dr. Derek Arrrowood, Hamilton Heights Superintendent.

Community Halloween party

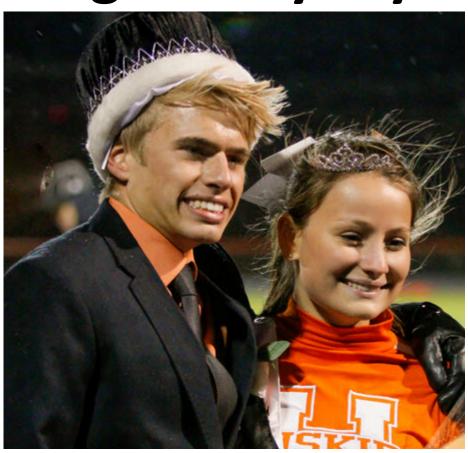
Leaders would like to invite the games, treats, hayrides on Tuesday, community to attend their annual Oct. 13. Halloween party

The Hamilton County 4-H Junior The event will features costumes,

The Halloween party will be held in the Exhibition Center at the

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Heights Royalty



Kyle Dankert and Brooke Bontreger were crowned the Hamilton Heights Homecoming King and Queen Friday night during the Huskies' Homecoming game with Twin Lakes.

Two county schools receive **Blue Ribbon award**

Two Hamilton County schools were recognized as National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2015 by the United States Department of Education.

The schools are Oak Trace Elementary, part of the Westfield-Washington School District, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, a K-8 Catholic school in Carmel that's operated by the Diocese of Lafavette.

A total of 335 schools from across the U.S. were named as National Blue Ribbon Schools based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.

The County Line...

Redistricting reform forum scheduled for October 14

By FRED SWIFT

A public forum on a topic of particular interest to Hamilton County is set for October 14. The topic is redistricting reform, something in which the general public usually shows very little interest, but should. The political people show a lot of interest in redistricting because it can determine their party's future in office.

The County League of Women Voters and Common Cause are co-sponsoring the help Republican forum at the Noblesville Public Library at candidates 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday the 14th. The event neighboring may help focus some interest on the subject which is so often overlooked by voters who

realize its consequences only when they find they have a new state representative or state senator.

Hamilton County has been a victim of gerrymandering for years. The county is divided among 10 state legislative districts

which were drawn in 2011. Several of these districts were drawn to



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Peggy Ann Lewis

January 17, 1940 - September 25, 2015



Peggy Ann Lewis, age 75, of Hazlehurst, Georgia, passed away on Friday, September 25, 2015, at her home, after an extended illness. Peggy was a native of Kentucky, but had been residing in Hazlehurst to be near her daughter. Born January 17, 1940 in Carrolton, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late Sterling Reeves and Virginia Elizabeth Ashcraft Reeves.

Peggy is survived by her daughter, Katrina Reyes (Daniel) of Hazlehurst, GA; 2 brothers, Jerry Reeves and Richard Reeves, both of Sheridan; 2 sisters, Brenda Bennett of Sheridan and Rozetta Pearson of Indianapolis; and

3 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Charles Grayson Lewis; and

2 sisters, Linda Carter and Carolyn Johnson.

Services were held on Friday, October 2, 2015, at Kercheval Funeral Home, Sheridan, Indiana. Burial followed at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor Chris Welch officiated. Visitation was held on Thursday, October 1, 2015, at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Officer William L. "Bill" Blake

March 26, 1942 - September 29, 2015

Officer William L. "Bill" Blake, age 73, of Sheridan, passed away Tuesday morning, September 29, 2015, at St. Elizabeth Seton Specialty Hospital surrounded by his loving family. Bill was born on March 26, 1942, in Alexandria, Indiana to the late Robert L. and Mabel (Johnson) Blake. After graduating from Alexandria High School and Indiana Business College, Bill would work in finance for the next 15 years. During this time, he would also serve his country with the 138th Signal Battalion of the Indiana National Guard, completing activation assignments in Panama and Puerto Rico. Having an interest in law enforcement, Bill applied and was accepted as a full time officer with the Sheridan Police Department. After his graduation from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy, Officer Blake returned to the department and continued his training. Officer Blake never stopped wanting to learn new skills and techniques to help him better serve the community of Sheridan. He completed the St. Vincent Hospital Emergency Medical Training (E.M.T.) School, becoming certified by the State of Indiana. Officer Blake also had an interest in interviewing and interrogation techniques. He would later graduate as a Master Examiner from the N.I.T.V. Voice Stress School in Indianapolis and West Palm Beach, Fla. Although very proud of Bill, his family, and especially his children, were not very happy that dad was now a human lie detector. Bill was always willing to assist any officer that requested a voice stress exam. In 2001, after almost 25 years of service, 18 of those years spent as Deputy Chief of Police, Officer Bill Blake would retire from the Sheridan Police Department. Bill loved the town of Sheridan and was very humbled and grateful for the opportunity to serve them on their police department for all of those years. Bill also worked for many, many years for Eagle Security.

Bill was a member of Sheridan Fidelity Masonic Lodge F&AM 309 and the Fraternal Order of Police. He also attended the First Christian Church of Sheridan.

Bill is survived by his 4 sons, Greg L. Blake (Brenda) of Cicero, Charles R. "Bobby' Roach of Sheridan, Ryan Sutton (Stephanie) of Noblesville and T.J. Campbell (Renada) of Sheridan; 2 daughters, Susan R. Bayless (Joe) of Lebanon and Rachael D. Adams (Gregg) of Sheridan; 16 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; his 1st wife Phyllis Watson; and 2nd wife Karen Campbell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Robert "Bobby" Blake; and his sister, Roberta Whitt.

Services were held on Sunday, October 4, 2015, at Kercheval Funeral Home, Sheridan, Indiana. Burial with full honors followed at Spencer Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor George Cooper officiated. Visitation and a Masonic service were held on Saturday, October 3, 2015, at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Jay Spears

March 22, 1984 - September 30, 2015



Jay Spears, 31, of Westfield, passed away on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at IU Health Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born on March 22, 1984 to Jack J. and Reneé (Crook) Spears in Most importantly she loved her family.

Hamilton County Disc Golf Club; and also played on a softball league at Morse Park in Noblesville. He was known for his competitive nature.

He is survived by parents, Jack J. & Reneé (Crook) Spears; his son, Jaxon Spears; brothers, Justin (Darr) Spears and Josh (Sarah Gray) Spears; grandparents, Bill & Joyce Poe; two nephews, Travis & Kyle; several aunts, uncles & cousins; and Austin Strange whom he raised as a son.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Jack & Sally Spears, and Bud Crook. Services will be held at 8:00 pm on Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville, with visitation beginning at 4:00 pm immediately prior to the service. Rev. Richard D. Bell will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to a fund for his son, Jaxon, via: gofundme.com/kp54kwww. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

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R. Stanley Craig

March 11, 1924 - September 28, 2015



R. Stanley Craig, 91, of Noblesville, passed away on Monday, September 28, 2015 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. He was born on March 11, 1924 to Chauncey and Mary (Heckert) Craig in Noblesville, Indiana.

Stanley proudly served his country in the United States Army, was a graduate of the Citadel Officer Training School and was a Captain in the Americal Division of the Military Police. He was a farmer, and lifetime member of First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville. Stanley enjoyed fishing, Purdue Football, and held memberships in the John

Purdue Club and the Purdue Chapter of Sigma Chi fraternity. He served 12 years on the Noblesville School Board and was also its president. He also served on and was the president of the American National Bank Board of Directors. In addition, Stanley was a Mason, a Shriner, founding member of the 50 Club, a member of the Noblesville Lion's Club and Noblesville American Legion.

He is survived by his son, Stephen (Moffett) Craig; daughters, Nancy (David) Skelton and Beth Wardlaw (Faye Copley); seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Stanley was preceded in death by his wife of 70 years, Mary Lee Craig on May 21, 2015; and a brother, Robert Craig.

Services were held on Saturday, October 3, 2015, at First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville in Noblesville, with visitation prior to the time of service. Pastor Eric Gale officiated. Burial followed at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Salvation Army, Memorial Program, 3100 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46208; or Noblesville Lions Club, c/o Bob Minton, 662 Woodview Drive, Noblesville, IN 46060. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Mark Donald Schmidt

October 11, 1958 - September 30, 2015



Mark Donald Schmidt, 56, of Fishers, passed away on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at IU Health Saxony in Fishers. He was born on October 11, 1958 to William C. and Lois (Whittenberg) Schmidt in Chicago, Illinois. His mother precedes him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Jill (Merida) Schmidt; his father, William C. Schmidt; and his two daughters, Taylor Paige Schmidt and Sydney Caina Schmidt. He loved his family more than anything.

Mark was the Sales Manager for Shorr Packaging in Fishers and was a leader in the business community. He was a loving family man who was full of life, found joy in everything, and was a great friend. He was quick-witted, and loved horses (especially watching Taylor ride at K-State). He knew that his buddy, Sydney 'Sydo', was their daughter, the moment they first laid eyes on her in China. Oh

how he loved both of his girls! Services will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road in Fishers. Visitation was Monday, October 5, 2015 at the funeral home. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com.

Clarissa Fern Badger

February 21, 1921 - October 1, 2015



CLARISSA FERN BADGER, age 94 of Sheridan, passed away October 1, 2015 in the home of her daughter, Beverly. She was born on February 21, 1921, to the late Earl and Jesse (Johnson) Pulliam in Sheridan, Indiana.

Clarissa attended Butler University and the Long Beach Community College in Long Beach California. She worked at Delco Remy in Anderson, and RCA in Indianapolis. She graduated from Sheridan High School in 1939.

Clarissa was a member of Sheridan First Christian Church since 1932, and enjoyed signing in the choir. She enjoyed many things. She enjoyed sewing, made, gave away many stuffed bunnies dressing them in skirts, aprons, and bow on their ears. In 1987 she sewed the skirts for the girls in the Pan Am Games. Clarissa had fondness for writing. She wrote a book of poems, about her family's Ice Cream Factory, and a family cook book.

She will be greatly missed by her family, Sandra Givens of Lakewood, California, Jay was a driver for UPS, where he made many friends. He was an Beverly A. (Harold "Ron") Holliday of Westfield, Kenneth R. (Roberta) Badger Jr. of avid sports fan; was involved in fantasy football; was a member of the Sheridan, Kevin E. (Sandra) Badger of North Pole Alaska. Clarissa also leaves behind 10 loving grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

She married Kenneth Ralph Badger Sr. Nov. 27, 1941. She was preceded in death by her husband, in 1999. She was also preceded by two brothers Eugene, and Meredith Pulliam, two sisters Mildred Lilly, and Margaret Rector.

Services were Monday, October 5, 2015, at Flanner and Buchanan – Hamilton Memorial Park, 4180 Westfield Road. Friends and family were invited to gather prior to the time of services. In lieu of flowers donations, may be made to Sheridan Christian Church, 107 West Third Street, P. O. Box 111, Sheridan IN 46069-0111.

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Choose your words wisely

By: JANET HART LEONARD

"You will never be..."

I did not finish that sentence because it does't matter what was said. What matters are the feelings that it left behind after it was said to me many years

"Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never harm me." Really? That's a bunch of bologna soaked up in hog wash. Words can hurt. Something may be said only once but if your heart hears it, and it hurts, then it can echo many years later.

My husband has a saying "no good deed goes unpunished". I know it can be true, sad but true. For some people, whatever you do for them will never be enough.

You may do nine things wonderfully right but someone will find a wrong in the tenth. Some people look with a critical eye upon everything you do. It's the way they are wired. They need rewired.

There are people in my life with whom I tend to walk around on eggshells, knowing at any moment they will erupt and spew ashes of criticism. I call them "gotcha people". I don't understand them. Heaven forbid we find fault with them.

Some people seem to feel the need to remind us quite loudly that we are not perfect. Guess what. No one is. Soft words of critique are sometimes needed and done, in the right way, will bring change. Words that make you feel "less than" will never make you want to change. It simply and sadly brings about feelings of insecurity and failure. There will always be something else they will criticize. It's often a way of control. (That's a whole other column)

I am blessed with a husband who has the gift of words of affirmation. He reassures me that I am valuable, that I am good enough and that he loves me in spite of my imperfections...and always will. He has no idea how much his compliments mean to me. I often tell him that I don't know what I have ever done to deserve him. He just smiles. I try to choose my words wisely. I pray every morning as I go to work, "please Lord help

me to choose the right words to say today." You see, words do matter. Just ask my heart.

Blackhawks to discover Costa Rica in 2016



The Spanish classes of Sheridan High School will have the opportunity to embark on a nine day trip to Costa Rica in the summer of 2016. The school booked the trip through EF Tours, a travel agency that organizes the everyday activities the group will attend. The teachers, students, and parents embarking on this trip are much anticipating this great learning experience. Spanish teacher, Mrs. Bontrager states, "I'm most looking forward to taking several students, who have not only not traveled out of

the country, but who have also not traveled on a plane even, and just to show them part of the world that they might only have this chance to see. Regarding our itinerary, I would say the thing I'm most excited to do is visit a local school and to just see how Costa Ricans live day to day and to see what their lives are like, and to see my students interacting with local people." An interview with sophomore, Emma Hawn, also reveals her excitement: "I'm really excited to travel out of the country for the first time and to see how different Costa Rica is from the U.S. Also, I am looking forward to the coffee tour because I am interested to see how coffee beans are produced."

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Atlanta has a lot of potential



The year was 1976, Vol. 1 No.1 of "The Hamiltonian County Magazine, does anyone remember? The editor was Valerie Walters with contributing editors Joan Voukides, Juliana Moorehead, Box Boxell and M. William Lutholtz. The first edition feature story was headed "Atlanta Booming Again". It tells the story of a visionary, Lowena Tate Layton who in 1973 bought 1 buildings (almost the entire town) in the downtown area and was quoted

to say, "Atlanta has a lot of potential". Atlanta does have a lot of potential, even today. Last week the town grew to a couple hundred thousand people who attended the Earth Festival started during the "potential days". The 1973 vision included Joe O'Malia Country Story, there were plans for an old fashioned drug store, a small glass factory and more antique shops, a weekend mini-mall where handcrafters can set up stalls. The Golden Oak Turkey Parlor opened in October 1973 to signal the start of the new era

All of the ideas and dreams faded through the years as fires burned the Surrey Inn, a new steak restaurant in those days, almost as soon as it was open. The gas wells of the 1880's and 1890's dried up almost overnight taking the town from well over 2,000 people to 700 today. The old days had a tin mill, glass factories and other industry active during the gas

Lowena Layton would have been proud to see how many people came to Atlanta if only for the weekend for the festival. Her dream has been fulfilled by some very dedicated local citizens and the town's officials who keep going each year to host so many visitors. They work hard to make money from the festival that helps to run the town for the balance of the year. This is what Northern Hamilton County is all about. Because the town has so few people, the taxes collected does not come close to keeping the town going and providing services to the citizens. The festival helps to make ends meet for the town.

Just a little side story, the Atlanta street sweeper need unfinished repairs last weekend and cleaning up after such a crowd that attended the festival would have taken weeks to clean the streets by hand. Tipton, the big sister to Atlanta showed up with their street sweeper to help their neighbor to the south. That is what Northern Hamilton County is all about...or was that mentioned earlier?

Atlanta does have a lot of potential. It is the all American small town with people who know everyone in town and can tell stories about the old days and a few good stories about their friends and neighbors. Atlanta is also the home of Beck' Hybrids Corn Seed, the largest family owned seed corn company in the United States. Just down the road (276th street) is Reynolds Farms Equipment, another longtime family owned business dealing in farm equipment sales and repair. There are still many farms and farmers in Northern Hamilton County from those very early days to today.

You see Atlanta, Indiana is on the map!

It is not easy to live or work in Atlanta these days. The downtown is pretty sleepy and only one weekend a year does it come alive. Reading that first article about Atlanta in The Hamiltonian County Magazine from 1973, it is hard not to notice that nearly every business who advertised in that first publication is long gone. With such a long history of great times and times when pretty much everything changed overnight, it is still on the map. Many other towns in Indiana and the Midwest just became ghost towns when everyone picked up and moved leaving small towns empty. This is not going to happen in Atlanta. It has not grown much and the grocery store and shops are gone but there are many people who have not given up and they will never let their town down. The Hamiltonian was correct to feature Atlanta in their first edition. It is a good place with "a lot of potential" just like Lowena said.

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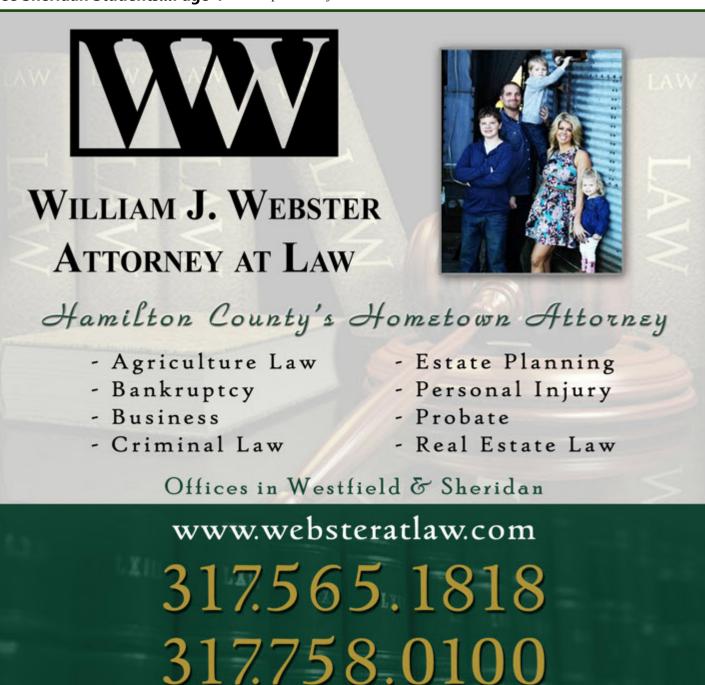
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counties. Democrats do the same thing, only in reverse, when they are in charge of

Since Hamilton County produces an overwhelming plurality of Republican votes, the GOP always wants to maximize this advantage while Democrats want to minimize it. So, areas of Democrat votes are added in one place or Republican votes subtracted from

In either case the outcome is not necessarily good for the citizen who may find himself in a district with, for example, a Marion County senator or a Boone County representative. That legislator may or may not have the best interests of this county at the top of his priority

So, some groups and a few legislators are pushing for redistricting reform. A legislative interim study committee is currently at work seeking to suggest a remedy for the current situation which oddly enough became the norm after the U.S. Supreme Court rendered its 'One Man, One Vote' ruling decades ago. Previous to that, districts were largely drawn along county lines, not often changed and often varied greatly in population.

Now census figures are used every 10 years to carefully and politically create districts with equal populations even if the dividing lines run along a city street or creek bank. This runs contrary to guidelines which call for legislative districts to represent a "community of interest" which generally means not gerrymandering.

HAND...

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a local businessman, Shanehasz, also is attempting to develop.

HAND would like to build apartments and retail stores on the land. Shanehasz, who owns the Model Mill just across the street from the property in question, would like to expand his business with a facility for outdoor wedding and additional parking. The property still is owned by North Central Co-Op.

Shanehasz claims since 2004 he has been negotiating with the company for the purchase of the Grain Elevator

HAND says it has a written document to purchase the land, once funding is in place. HAND and Shanehasz Tuesday evening moved to the Noblesville Common Council meeting. Neither was allowed to speak about their projects while the Council considered an ordinance for a change of zoning from "12" Heavy Industrial to "DT Downtown". That request passed on first reading and will be voted on at the next Council meeting.

HAND has planned additional meetings, including a public meeting this Thursday, Oct. 1, concerning the Noblesville Granary at the Noblesville Township Trustee Community Center at 5 p.m.

HAND also will meet with the Sheridan Plan Commissoner on Oct 6 at 5 p.m.; at the Hamilton County Council Meeting on Oct 7 at 7 p.m.; at the Sheridan Town Council meeting for a rezoning request on Oct 8 at 7 p.m.; and then a return trip to the Noblesville City Council on Oct. 13 at 7 p.m.

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On the first two days of this trip, the group will attend a coffee tour where they will learn how Costa Rica is able to develop some of the best coffee beans in the world. Next they will visit the Poás volcano and from there, they will bathe in a hot springs. Arranged for the third day of the trip are a kayaking adventure next to another volcano and a hike to the La Fortuna waterfall. The next two days, the group will be visiting a local school where the children will welcome them with traditional dances. Then they will zip-line through the Santa Elena Cloud Forest. Later, they will each plant a tree to help the environment revitalization efforts. On days six through eight of the trip, they are scheduled to attend an aerial tram ride, explore the beaches and lagoon of Manuel Antonio National Park, and go on a river boat tour. Day nine is the final day of the trip and the group will depart for

Personally, I am very excited for the opportunity to visit a foreign country for the first time with so many of my classmates. The trip is still months away, but my friends and I discuss it on a daily basis. The thing I am looking forward to most about this trip is probably meeting and interacting with the local people. Visiting their country and experiencing their culture will be a big eye-opener. Most days I go about my life without even thinking about the billions of other people on the earth. I hope that this trip will not only widen my knowledge of culture, but expand my understanding of the world. Another thing I am excited for is to experience their scenery and local wildlife. It will be interesting to see how much their tropical plants vary from our temperate ones. Overall, the scheduled activities and cultural experience have me, along with my classmates and teachers who are attending the trip, much anticipating this adventure.

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Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, from 6 to 8 p.m. This fun family activity offered at no charge. Youth ages 10 and under are invited to come in costume and enjoy games, prizes, candy, refreshments, a haunted house and a hayride. Hayrides begin at 6 p.m. Youth must be chaperoned by an adult.

For more information on the Halloween Party or about the 4-H Program in Hamilton County, contact the Purdue Extension Service at (317) 776-0854 or visit its Web site at: www.extension.purdue.edu/hamilton



Hamilton County was awarded the Association of Indiana Counties' Local Government Cooperation Award last week. The award was given for the county's spearheading the of a cooperative effort to bring an Ivy Tech regional campus to Noblesville. County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt; Nancy Armstrong site director representing Ivy Tech; Dr. Steve Stephenoff representing Noblesville Schools, Noblesville Mayor John Ditslear, Senator Luke Kenley representing the General Assembly, County Commissioner Steve Dillinger, County Commissoer Christine Altman.



Our Town Cicero board received Indiana Main Street accreditation from Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs Sue Ripley presented Brett Morrow award Looking on officers Kris Elliott, Cheryl Faulkner, Mary Sue Devin, Sue Baker, Linda Wilgus.

Riverview Health to host Breast Cancer **Celebration of Life**

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Cancer Celebration of Life event at 6 pm on Club at 12160 East 216th Street in Thursday Oct 29 Noblesville Hors d'oeuvres will be served Award-winning television journalist, and a cash bar will be available. Cost is \$5 columnist and speaker, Anne Ryder, will per person and registration is required. deliver the keynote address. Cancer Register at riverview.org/classes or call

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By RICHIE HALL

Reporter Sports Editor

As good as the players on Westfield's girls golf team have been this year, it's easy to forget that they're still very young.

IHSAA girls golf state finals at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel, it seems like the Shamrocks grew up overnight. After a sluggish Friday round, Westfield got it together to post a 23-shot improvement and finish as state runner-up for the first time in school history.

The 'Rocks carded a team total of 677. The only team ahead of Westfield was Evansville North, which successfully defended its team championship by 26 shots. The Huskies are a senior-dominated team, while four of the five Shamrocks at state are sophomores.

"We did a good job with having a good mindset when we came into it," said WHS coach Trevor Neu. That included the Shamrock players knowing "what they felt like they needed to do to battle the conditions a little bit better," said the coach.

The weather conditions for the tournament were nasty - it was windy, the temperature never got past 50 degrees on TEAM SCORES: Evansville North 332-Saturday, and it was cloudy. But those conditions are typical of the state tournament. Neu said the girls discussed what they needed to do among themselves, and the 356-344=700, Center Grove 348coaches reiterated that this morning.

"And we came out with a great mindset and shot a score that was a lot more indicative of what we've done all year," said Neu.

Case in point: Cailyn Henderson. The sophomore was unhappy with her round of

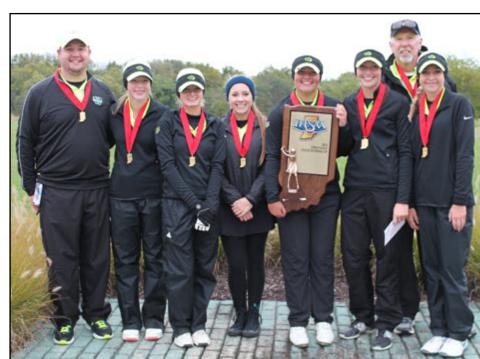
85 Friday, but she turned it around and carded a 74 on Saturday. That lifted her to a 10th-place individual finish with a twoday total of 159.

"I think that she would probably tell But in between rounds at this year's you that she was really frustrated with her round yesterday," said Neu. "She went right back out last night when we finished and worked on her swing, and working on things to fix that swing. She has the ability to go low and do those things. She kind of showed that today."

> Henderson had two birdies on the day. Meanwhile. Adrienne Montalone and Margaret Wentz improved from their Friday 85s. Montalone dropped nine shots to a 76, with a birdie, and Wentz cut three shots to an 82. Morgan Baechle (the lone junior on the state squad) had a birdie as well on Saturday. Emma Clary dropped six shots.

> "That was definitely the strength of our team this year, is how consistently we played," said Neu. "Adrienne was the same way. She improved her score from yesterday by a ton. She shot mid to low 70's all year, and went out today and put up a really good number, too."

> 319=651, Westfield 350-327=677, Chesterton 353-339=692, Evansville Memorial 354-345=699, Cathedral 354=702, Bloomington South 354-355=709, Zionsville 350-359-709. Columbus North 353-356=709, Fishers 358-353=711, Penn 356-356=712, Crown Point 360-357=717, Leo 378-



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Westfield girls golf team had its best-ever finish at the IHSAA girls golf state finals this weekend at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. The Shamrocks finished in second place with a two-day score of 677.

364=742, Western 375-372=747, NorthWood 384-377=761. TOP 10 INDIVIDUALS: 1. Alexis Mie-

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stowski (Lake Central) 76-69=145, T2. Haldey Walts (Evansville North 79-72=151; Cherise Otter (Bloomington South) 76-75=151, 4. Emma Kieffer (Evansville North) 76-77=153, 5. Kiley Swisher (Seeger) 76-79=155, 6. Morgan Brown (Lafayette Central Catholic) Emma Clary 116-110=226.

75-81=156, 7. Emma Fisher (Bloomington South) 81-76=157, T8. Kayla Benge (Plainfield) 79-79=158; Reece Malapit (Yorktown) 79-79=158, 10. Cailyn Henderson (Westfield) 85-74=159.

Other Westfield scores: Adrienne Montalone 85-76=161, Margaret Wentz 85-82=167, Morgan Baechle 95-95=180,



Three county players make All-State Team

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Three Hamilton County girls golfers earned a place on the All-State Team, which was announced at the conclusion of Saturday's IHSAA state meet. Pictured are Fishers' Morgan Lewis, Westfield's Cailyn Henderson and Hamilton Heights' Caitie Gehlhausen.

Lewis, Westfield sophomore Cailyn Henderson and Hamilton Heights junior Caitie Gehlhausen.

It had already been an eventful day for Henderson and Lewis. Henderson had just led the Shamrocks to a state runner-up finish as a team, and placed 10th individually. That gave her two medals for the day.

"It feels pretty good since we've never done it before," Henderson said of Westfield's historic finish. She was also glad to have improved so much from her Friday round to her Saturday round. Henderson rebounded from an 85 on Friday to a 74 on Saturday.

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As for her season, Henderson considered it a "pretty good" one.

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May: "It was a weird game"....

Royals hold off Millers, 20-12

By RICHIE HALL **Reporter Sports Editor**

Hamilton Southeastern's 2015 Homeany time soon.

In a rainy, strange and at times scary Friday evening, the Royals held off a spiritdespite losing quarterback Luke Melloh to an injury in the third quarter, played determined against Hoosier Crossroads Conference leading Southeastern, but a late touchdown by HSE's star running back Aaron Matio sealed the win.

"It was just a weird game," said Royals coach Scott May. "We never really got going. I thought they did a good job defensively, and they struggled a little bit offensively, but so did we. It was just kind of a defensive battle."

Southeastern clinched at least a share of the HCC title with its win. The Royals are now 5-0 in league play.

After a scoreless first quarter, HSE got on the board with David Tsetse making a seven-yard run into the end zone. That was followed by several trades of possession, but Noblesville made its move with 1:16 left in the half. Melloh and Jarel Youree took turns running the ball from the Royals' 42 to the 3, and that's where Youree scored from. His score came with 14 seconds left in the half.

Southeastern pulled back ahead in the third quarter, when a resolute drive ended with a five-yard touchdown run by Matio. The Millers were hoping to respond, but that became secondary after Melloh was injured in the third quarter.

"He's good," said NHS coach Lance Scheib. "Our hearts and thoughts and prayers go out to him."

McGwire Plumer stepped into the quarterback position after Melloh's injury.

"I thought for a young man that's not coming football game will not be forgotten ever been a quarterback on a Friday night, I thought he played fantastic," said Scheib.

Noblesville closed the gap in the early stages of the fourth quarter, with Youree ed Noblesville team 20-12. The Millers, running in from 23 yards to score. That cut HSE's lead to 14-12. The Millers then held the Royals to a three-and-out, but HSE got the ball back on an interception.

> Southeastern started its next possession from its own 3, and made its way down to midfield. Once at the Royals 49, Matio zoomed into score from there, a 51-yard touchdown with 2:25 left. Noblesville's last possession resulted in a turnover on downs, and Matio got one more first down to ensure HSE's win.

> Matio totaled 143 yards in 21 carries, including the two touchdowns. While those are good numbers, May was unhappy about his team's nine penalties, which totaled 83

> Youree led Noblesville with his two touchdowns, part of a 159-yard rushing night. The Millers dropped to 3-4 after the loss, but Scheib thinks his team is better than that record says.

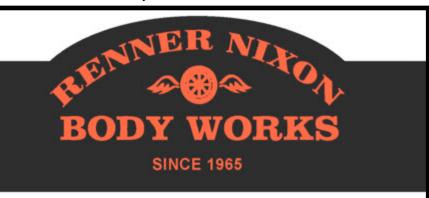
> "It's the story of our year," said Scheib. "We're there, we can't find a way to get over the hump. We're a really good football team, and to be 3-4 right now is something that's disappointing, because we're better than 3-4. But we're playing great football. We've got to find a way to get over the hump and make plays, and that starts as we move forward with Brownsburg."

> Noblesville, which is now 1-3 in conference play, hosts Brownsburg next Friday.



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Noblesville's Jackson Thurman catches a pass during the Millers' football game with Hamilton Southeastern on Friday.



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Southeastern 20, Noblesville 12

Team stats NHS HSE First downs 15 17 By rush 10 By pass 7 By penalty 0 Rushing yards 273 Passing yards 84 90 Comp,-Att.-Int. 5-17-1 9-21-0 Fumbles-lost 0-01-0 9-83 Penalties-Yards 7-63 5-39.6 4-28.0 Punts-Avg. Score by Quarters: Noblesville 0 6 0 6 - 12

Southeastern 0 7 7 6 - 20

Scoring **Second Quarter**

HSE - David Tsetse 7-yard run (Noah Haxton kick), 8:46

N - Jarel Youree 3-yard run (kick failed), 0:14

Third Quarter

HSE - Aaron Matio 5-yard run (Haxton kick), 4:55

Fourth quarter

N - Youree 23-yard run (run failed), HSE - Matio 51-yard run (kick failed), 2:25

Noblesville individual stats

Rushing: Jarel Youree 22-159, Luke Melloh 11-14, McGwire Plumer 1-8, Chandler Hurst 1-minus 6. Passing: Melloh 3-9-44, Plumer 2-8-

Receiving: Jackson Thurman 3-88, Youree 1-2, Travis Gillian 1-minus

All-State...From Page 5

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As for her season, Henderson consid-

"Had some ups and downs, but overall

it was good," said Henderson.

Lewis, meanwhile, made some history





TL comes from behind

By DON JELLISON **Reporter Editor**

Hamilton Heights bulldog Clayton Cowan and Twin Lakes speedster Kris Goodlow put on some kind of running show for fans who attended a cold, breezy, wet Homecoming Friday evening at Arcadia.

Problem was, for Heights fans, Goodlow got a little more help from his friends as the visiting Indiana came from behind to defeat the Huskies in a 17-14 thriller.

Actually, Goodlow didn't score a point for Twin Lakes. But, his running kept the Indians in the game and eventually led to the win. Cowan scored both touchdowns for Coach Mitch Street's Huskies.

"They hurt us with a couple of big plays," said Street, "and we couldn't break one. Also, we didn't finish drives and we didn't put together enough first downs."

It was a tough Homecoming loss for the now 4-3 Huskies.

Twin Lakes never led in the game until Ryan Hibbets booted a 32-yard, game-winning field goal with three seconds left

As one would have it, it was Hibbets who missed an extra point boot in the second quarter, a missed PAT which kept the Indians from catching upuntil Hibbets' foot won the battle at the end.

Hamilton Heights led 7-0 after one quarter and 7-6 at halftime. The Huskies went to the fourth period with that 14-6 advantage.



Reporter photo by Brian Reddick

Clayton Cowan scored both of Hamilton Heights' touchdowns in its Homecoming game Friday against Twin Lakes.

But, the lead was a slim one all the way, the game.

and Heights never really gained control of on their first possession in the opening quarter. Cowan scored from the nine with

> On the first play of the second quarter, Twin Lakes came up with one of those big plays. Quarterback Blake Bennington ran 76 yards for the TD, but Hibbets missed the extra point.

Hibbets also missed a field goal before halftime.

ened, but fumbled. Jesse Brown recovered, and that led to Heights' second touchdown. Cowan got this one, too, scoring from the four. Magdun again kicked the extra point and with 2:54 remaining in the third quarter, Heights led 14-6.

Twin Lakes would put 11 points on the rushing, 133 coming from Cowan. board in the fourth quarter.

fumbling again, this time eight yards away this time against Western.

The Huskies went 34 yards in 10 plays from scoring. Brown again recovered for the Huskies.

With 8:11 remaining in the game, Twin 6:09 remaining and Henry Magdun kicked Lakes tied the battled at 14-14 when Cona PAT which was to play a big part in the nor Cain burst 27 yards for a touchdown and then ran across a two-point conversion.

> Heights, keyed by a 20-yard pass from Ethan Jones to Brown, looked as if it might retake the lead. But, as Street said later, the Huskies failed to finish that drive after moving to the Indians' 35.

Another big Twin Lakes long run, this one a 54-yarder by Goodlow, set up the In the third quarter, the Indians threat- field goal. The Huskies, keyed by defensive plays from Joe Woods and Nathan Roth, forced a Twin Lakes fourth down, and from there Hibbets booted the game winner.

In the wind, neither team had much luck passing the ball. Twin Lakes didn't have to throw. The Indians had a 333-yard night on But, the Huskies didn't score again and the ground. Heights finished with 153 yards

Hamilton Heights will try to bounce The Indians opened the final period by back next Friday, again playing at home,

Twin Lakes 17, Heights 14 TL 15

First Downs By Rushing 10 By Passing By Penalty Yards Rushing 153 333 Yards Passing 59 Comp/Att/Int 6-12-0 5-13-0 Fumbles/Lost 3-2 3-21 8-60 Penalties/Yards Punts/Average 7-36.4 4-30.3 Score by Quarters: 7 0 7 0 - 14Heights

Twin Lakes 0 6 0 11 -17 **Heights Scoring First Quarter**

Clayton Cowan, 9-yard run (Henry Magdun kick), 6:09.

Third Quarter Cowan, 4-yard run (Magdun kick), 2:54.

Heights Stats

Rushing: Cowan 30-133; Jesse Brown 1-5; Nate Roth 4-14, Ethan Jones 1-1.

Passing: Jones 6-12-58.

Receptions: Brown 3-36, Sterling Weatherford 2-13, Caymn Lutz 1-9.

Braves win 21-16, but not before...

Golden Eagles give tough challenge

Brebeuf Jesuit on Friday, but a third-quarter halftime. touchdown by the Braves was enough for them to hang on for a 21-16 win over the third quarter, and that would turn out to be Golden Eagles.

half. Elliott Charlebois threw a 10-yard pass to Arion Shinaver to give Guerin a 7-0 lead that would wind up being the first quarter ing game, with 165 yards in 32 carries. score. Brebeuf came back to score two rushing touchdowns, but Charlebois' pass to cluding two touchdowns. Dax Schnase turned into an 18-yard touchdown. Caleb Quick made both extra-point Friday to face Class 3A No. 1 Bishop Cha-

Guerin Catholic gave a tough battle to kicks, and the score was tied at 14-14 at

The Braves scored midway through the the game winner. Guerin Catholic's defense It was a back-and-forth game in the first did get a safety in the fourth period, but that would be all.

> Carter McGinnis had another big rush-Charlebois completed 10 of 27 passes, in-

The Golden Eagles return home next

Brebeuf Jesuit 21, Guerin		
Catholic 16		
Team stats	BJ	GC
First downs	15	16
By rush	10	7
By pass	5	9
By penalty	0	0
Rushing yards	122	177
Passing yards	116	109
Comp,-AttInt.	12-17-1	10-27-1
Fumbles_lost	0-0	1_1

2-10

Penalties-Yards

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3-15



BJ - Iffert 4-yard run (Bevelhimer kick), 10:25 BJ - Iffert 10-yard run (Bevelhimer kick), 2:10 GC - Dax Schanse 18-yard pass from Charlebois (Quick kick), 0:38 Third quarter

BJ - Snyder 18-yard pass from Iffert (Bevelhimer kick), 6:20

Fourth quarter GC - Safety, 3:13

Guerin individual stats

Rushing: Carter McGinnis 32-165, Brennan Thieneman 3-10, Elliott Charlebois 4-2. Passing: Charlebois 10-27-109.

Receiving: Jack Freudenthal 3-45, Arion Shinaver 3-32, McGinnis 3-26, Dax Schnase 1-6.

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Big night for Chesney...

Bad 1st half for Sheridan

Sheridan coach Bud Wright still is from his Blackhawks.

The Blackhawks, again, got off to a slow start last evening in a game at Tipton, losing to the Blue Devils 35-21.

After trailing 21-0 at halftime, Sheridan quarter on an 11-yard run. outscored Tipton 21-14 in the second half.

'We're still playing parts of games," Wright said after Sheridan fell to 2-5 on the

after getting off to a bad start.'

The two teams' stats were fairly even. Tipton ran 52 plays in rushing for 281 yards and Sheridan ran 41 plays in rushing for 202 yards. Sheridan passed for 58 yards and Tipton for 48 yards.

Sheridan scored twice in the third quarsearching for a four-quarter football game ter. Quarterback Jake Chesney ran 27 yards for a touchdown and then with only four seconds left before intermission K.J Acevedo bounced across from the seven.

Chesney scored again in the fourth

Chesney had a big night carrying the football. He ran 25 times for 151 yards. He also completed 4-of-7 passes for 58 yards.

Sophomore Brody Perry caught two of "We'll play a couple of quarters well Chesney's tosses, good for a total of 42

The Blackhawks will return to Larry Wright Stadium next Friday to host Taylor, which will be the Sheridan's last regularly scheduled game of the season. The final week of the regular season will be playoff week in the Hoosier Heartland Conference.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Noblesville girls soccer team clinched the Hoosier Crossroads Conference title by beating Hamilton Southeastern 1-0 on Wednesday. The Millers finished the HCC with a 5-0-1 record. It's the first conference title for Noblesville since 2009.

Millers beat HSE, win HCC title

For the first time since 2009, the No-Crossroads Conference champion.

HCC title by beating fourth-ranked Hamilton Southeastern 1-0 on Wednesday. It was certainly a tough way to go for Noblesville, as five of the top eight teams in the Class 2A rankings are in the HCC. That means third-ranked Noblesville had to work hard and play top-level soccer all season to win the conference title.

The Millers finished with a 5-0-1 record in the conference. Noblesville would have a corner kick, and Lee sealed the deal. won even if the game had ended in a tie, but the Millers would much rather have the win.

"The opportunity for the girls, as hard as blesville girls soccer team is the Hoosier they've worked, to win this really says something towards their attitudes and their The Class 2A No. 3 Millers clinched the commitment to this team," said Noblesville coach Mike Brady.

The Millers got the goal they needed with 14:06 left in the second half, when

senior Hannah Lee found the back of the net. "It bounced off one of our players, and

I just shot it," said Lee. "That's just being opportunistic, being in the right place at the right time," said Brady. The scoring opportunity came off of

"Each of these players can step up in the right moment and do the right thing, and tonight it was Hannah's time," said Brady.

Tipton 35, Sheridan 21

SHS THS 12 19 First Downs By Rushing 11 15 By Passing By Penalty Penalties/Yards 4-31 4-40 Fumbles/Lost 2-0 0 - 0Score by Quarters:

Sheridan $0 \quad 0 \quad 13 \quad 8 - 21$ 14 7 7 7 - 35 Tipton

> **Sheridan Scoring Third Quarter**

Jake Chesney, 27-yard (Chesney kick), 7:26. K.J. Acevedo, 7-yard run (kick blocked), :04.

Fourth Quarter

Chesney, 11-yard run (Chesney 2-point run), 1:35.

Sheridan Stats

Rushing: Chesney Acevedo 6-31; Joey Callahan 7-16; Kenny Burnell 3-4 Passing: Chesney 4-7-58. Receptions: Brody Perry 2-42. Kyle Cole Cummings 1-9

Avon zips to 28-0 start...

Westfield falls, 35-20

Host Avon stunned Westfield with a 28-point first quarter and held on the rest of the way to defeat the Shamrocks 35-20 Friday evening in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference head-knocker.

Coach Jake Gilbert's Shamrocks scored in each of the second and third quarters to creep within 28-13, but never got closer.

Westfield first got on the board at the 2:13 mark of the second quarter when Ryan Pepiot hit Evan Manley for a touchdown

In the third quarter, Pepiot ran for a touchdown.

Pepiot fired to Manley again in the fourth quarter for Westfield's final score of the night.

In the game, Pepiot was 16-of-34 for 227 yards and two touchdowns. He was intercepted three times.

Manley caught three passes for 69 yards; Brandon Karsnick grabbed two for 52 yards and Max McCool made six catches for 71 yards.

rocks, also carrying 18 times for 122 yards. The Shamrocks rushed for 145 yards.

On the defensive side of the football for Westfield, Noah Smith had four solo tackles and five assists; Camden Daffinee four and three and Brian Skelton had seven as- available. sists.

Score by Quarters:

Harwood 1-7.

Westfield 0 7 6 7 - 20 $28 \ 0 \ 0 \ 7 - 35$ Avon

Westfield Scoring

Second Quarter

Evan Manley, 33-yard pass from Ryan Pepiot (Alex Bales kick), 2:13.

Third Quarter

Pepiot run (yards not listed); time not listed.

Fourth Quarter Manley, pass from Pepiot (yards not list-

ed); Bales kick, 8:30. Westfield Stats Rushing: Pepiot 11-23, Milo Beam 1minus 11, Andy Sweet 3-10, Brandon

Karsnick 18-11, Jonathan Swidan 2-1 Passing: Pepiot 16-34-227; Sweet 0-1-0. Receptions: Manley 3-69, Beam 2-17, Lucas Schultz 2-7, Karsnick 2-52, Max McCool 6-71, Will McCool 1-11.

Westfield will return to Hoosier Cross-Karsnick had a big night for the Sham- roads Conference play next Friday, hosting Fishers. It will be the Shamrocks final conference game of the season. They will close the regular season the following week in a non-conference game at Brebeuf.

*Team stats for the two teams are not

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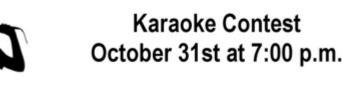
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