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## For State Road 37 Upgrades... \$100 million from the state

**By FRED SWIFT**

It's finally official, \$100 million in state funding is coming to Hamilton County to upgrade congested Ind. 37, making it a signal-free parkway from 146th Street into Indianapolis. Gov. Mike Pence himself made the announcement Thursday morning in front of a crowd of 200 or more political leaders, news media representatives and citizens.

The plan to replace signalized intersections with elevated roundabouts has been discussed locally for several years, but the huge cost required major assistance from outside the county. "The governor listened," said County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt when addressing the crowd at the Delaware Township Community Center.

In addition to the \$100 million in state funds, Hamilton County and the City of Fishers will each contribute \$12 million to the project. Noblesville which has no money at the present time, hopes to join Phase 2 of the improvements at some yet undetermined date. This second phase will convert intersections at Ind. 32, Pleasant Street, Town and Country Blvd., and Greenfield Ave. to the same type of roundabouts as those further south.

The project's first phase is set to begin in 2018, according to the governor. It will take three years to complete during which time officials say accommodations will be made for businesses inconvenienced by the construction.

Only the owner of Fishers' Hot Box Pizza asked questions at yesterday's meeting about how access can be provided to the business. The owner was told she and other owners would be consulted one-on-one to try to arrange for their access.

Gov. Pence praised officials of the county, Fishers and Noblesville for working together with the Indiana Department of Transportation to bring about a satisfactory deal on the massive project.

State Sen. Luke Kenley drew special thanks from Pence for assisting in bringing about the cooperative effort.

Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness told those in attendance that the new improvements will greatly cut drive time for the county's many commuters. He said his information shows 50,000 vehicles currently travel 37 each day and the situation is rapidly approaching gridlock.

Design renderings of how the new road will appear were on display at the announcement. They show a freeway-style roadway similar to Carmel's Keystone Parkway. It was rebuilt six years ago and has been called a great success over the former road which had a half-dozen grade level intersections through Clay Township.

"The agreement forged today marks an extraordinary investment in our community that will benefit Hamilton County and the entire region."

"The leadership of Governor Pence and the collaboration with INDOT and local governments ensures an innovative and comprehensive project that will solve congestion challenges in the corridor while improving economic opportunities, quality of life for business and residents, and increased public safety for travelers."

**Scott Fadness, Mayor of Fishers**

"The cooperation between Governor Pence and the local governmental entities has made this a truly unique project that will serve all members of the region well,"

**Mark Heirbrandt, Hamilton County Commissioner**

## Noblesville Main Street receives award



**Noblesville Main Street received the 2015 Indiana Main Street Downtown Special Event award for its 2nd annual White River Celebration.**

**Pictured: State Rep. Kathy Richardson, Jackie Bell, NMS Promotions Chair, Chris Owens, Main Street Executive Director, Perry Williams, 2015/2016 NMS President**

Lt. Governor Ellspermann announced Monday afternoon that Noblesville Main Street was selected as the 2015 Indiana Main Street Downtown Special Event award recipient for the 2nd annual White River Celebration.

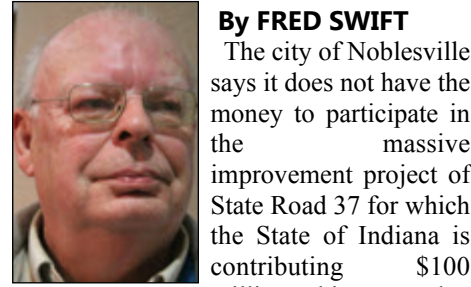
"The White River Celebration and Duck Race is an annual event that many in our community enjoy," Representative Kathy K. Richardson (R-Noblesville) said. "I am excited for Noblesville Main Street to be recognized for their hard work and dedication in providing great activities in the downtown area."

This is the second state-level award for the White River Celebration, which is a collaborative effort organized in part by Noblesville Main Street, the City of Noblesville, Nickel Plate Arts, Courtney's Kitchen and Schwartz's Bait & Tackle. In October, the group also received the Exemplary Festival Award from the White River Alliance.

"We are honored to accept the award on behalf of so many great partners who worked together on the White River Celebration to highlight a natural asset in our downtown," said Chris Owens, executive director of Noblesville Main Street. "It's the second award for this particular event, which really speaks to the possibilities that exist for downtown development on the west side of the White River, to Federal Hill Commons and beyond. We are so thankful for the partnering organizations who made this event a success."

Noblesville Main Street is currently soliciting year-end charitable gifts and 2016 memberships to help bolster the cultural arts programs they provide. Additionally, the organization will announce the 2016 events calendar after the start of the new year.

## The County Line... Are there options for a signal free 37 in Noblesville?



**By FRED SWIFT**

The city of Noblesville says it does not have the money to participate in the massive improvement project of State Road 37 for which the State of Indiana is contributing \$100 million. This means that in the near term plans for creating a signal-free 37 will come only as far north as 146th Street.

This is unfortunate because expensive as the project is, it will not get less expensive in future years. The project needs to come as far north as State Road 32 to alleviate the congestion experienced by motorists from Noblesville and areas north of the city.

Are there options to be explored for finding a way to fund completion of this important highway improvement? I am not in a position to know what might be possible, but hopefully city officials will look into every possibility.

It would seem bonding as the city has done for other projects would be an option. Or, is there any benefit to creating a TIF district on the 37 corridor? Could federal funds be obtained? Since money will not be required immediately, is it possible to set aside some

## Communities begin bicentennial celebrations



**Sheridan Town employees present for the bicentennial proclamation reading and flag raising were, left to right, Mark Evoy, Mike Corlett, John Walden, Beth Lee, Brian Harwood, Greg Wilson, Town Clerk Liz Walden, Fire Chief Bret Merriman, Scott Cain and Darla Fosnight.**

The town of Sheridan kicked off its celebration of the 2016 State of Indiana Bicentennial Year by reading a proclamation to the public at noon on Friday, December 11. The town then added the state Bicentennial Flag to the flag pole in front of the Town Hall.

Hamilton County joined the celebration of Indiana's 199th birthday on Friday with a ceremony raising the bicentennial flag at the Hamilton County Judicial Center.

Participating in the ceremony were county commissioners Christine Altman and Mark Heirbrandt, State Representative Kathy Richardson, White River Brigade, a group that re-enacts scenes from Hamilton County's 19th century past and Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies Jason Sloderbeck and Bryant Orem.

## Nevitt to retire as Historical Society's museum director

The Hamilton County Historical Society's museum director Diane Nevitt received well-deserved recognition Sunday as she prepares to retire at the end of December. The historical society honored her at their annual meeting. She has served more than 16 years as director. Susan Lucas has been named to take over the position on an interim basis until a fulltime director is named.

The museum at 810 Conner Street, Noblesville, is the former county jail and sheriff's residence which served the county for more than a century and remains county property. It is leased to the historical society which maintains a large collection of historical furnishings, artifacts and printed materials.

During her years as director Mrs. Nevitt has accepted, categorized and arranged displays for hundreds of items. The museum's resource library has an estimated 600 to 800 items of county historical interest. As director Nevitt has also led hundreds of school students on tours of the museum.

She says she will continue to assist as a volunteer after the first of the year. The restoration of the building is still not complete. The cellblock area is planned for restoration with a part of it set aside for a





## Robert "Bob" Anthony Cerbone Sr.

August 16, 1942 - December 5, 2015

Robert "Bob" Anthony Cerbone, Sr., 73, of Martinsville, passed away December 5, 2015. The son of Anthony James and Dorothy Marie Riley Cerbone, Bob was born August 16, 1942 in Orange, New Jersey.



In 1964, Bob received his Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering and in 1968 his Masters of Science in Engineering from Newark College of Engineering. In 2004, after 31 years, he retired from Eli Lilly and Company. He enjoyed attending his grandchildren's activities and sporting events, especially the girl's basketball games at Martinsville. Bob loved the outside, being in the sun and taking care of his yard.

Bob is survived by his wife of 51 years, Diana Dittmeier Cerbone of Martinsville; sons, Robert A. (Nikki) Cerbone, Jr. of Indianapolis and Vince R. (Mariah) Cerbone of Greenwood; daughters, Deneen E. Kus of Greenwood and Liza M. Borgert of Fishers; sister, Joan Petrillo of Parsippany, NJ; grandchildren, Chelsea T. and Travis M. Kus, Anthony A, Jake R., Justin N., Vivienna E., Quinny C. and Myles A. Cerbone, Libby C. and Kendall G. Borgert.

A Celebration of Life Service was December 10, 2015 at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, Greenwood. Friends called prior to the service on Thursday. The family suggests contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. [www.forestlawncemetery-fh.com](http://www.forestlawncemetery-fh.com)

## Richard "Dick" Chappell

November 10, 1933 - December 8, 2015



Richard "Dick" Chappell, 82, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at his home. He was born on November 10, 1933 to Paul and Flossie (McNally) Chappell Wiles in Noblesville, Indiana.

Dick proudly served his country in the United States Navy on the USS Coral Sea during the Korean War. He retired after over 40 years as an ironworker. Dick was a member of Atlanta Christian Church. He loved his wife & children, enjoyed watching his grandkids play sports, and was a dedicated family man.

Dick is survived by his wife, Ramona Jane Chappell; children, Terri (James) Props, Tim (Carolyn) Chappell, Trent (Melissa) Chappell, Troy (Julie) Chappell, Todd (Jennifer) Chappell, and Tammi Knight; brother, George (Louise) Wiles; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Thursday, December 10, 2015 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, Noblesville. Services were held on Friday, December 11, 2015, at Atlanta Christian Church in Atlanta, with visitation prior to the service. Rev. Jody Brown officiated. Burial followed at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Seasons Hospice Foundation, 8537 Solution Center, Chicago, IL 60677.

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## Paul Edward 'Tater' Tate

January 19, 1925 - December 6, 2015



Paul Edward 'Tater' Tate, 90, of Fortville, passed away on Sunday, December 6, 2015 at home. He was born on January 19, 1925 to Daniel A. and Delia (Seymour) Tate in Noblesville, Indiana.

Paul was a pipe fitter for Eli Lilly of Greenfield for 36 years. He proudly served his country with the U.S. Army and was a WWII veteran. He attended Fishers United Methodist Church and was a member of the Fishers Masonic Lodge #533, and the Scottish Rite. Paul loved coin collecting, racing and crossword puzzles.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Ruby (McKinnon) Tate; daughter, Donna (Bruce) Marks; son, Tony (Kathi) Tate; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held on Thursday, December 10, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary in Fishers, with visitation prior to the service. Burial was at Highland Cemetery in Fishers.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fishers United Methodist Church, 9691 East 116th Street, Fishers, IN 46037; or, Hamilton County Cancer Fund, c/o Good Samaritan Network, PO Box 339, Noblesville, IN 46061. Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).

## Jim Kurtock

June 19, 1960 - December 8, 2015



Jim Kurtock, 55, of Fishers, passed away on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at his home. He was born on June 19, 1960 to James and Rita (Ryan) Kurtock in Bloomington, Illinois.

Jim received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Illinois. For over 20 years, he worked as a mechanical engineer at Roche Diagnostics, Diabetes Care, retiring in 2011. Jim enjoyed fixing and repairing things, gardening, and cooking, and loved camping with his family.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Deborah Kurtock; father, James R. Kurtock Sr.; daughter, Marissa Kurtock; son, Sean Kurtock; sisters, Cindy (Ronald) Metz and Dianne Kurtock; brothers, Jeff Kurtock and Greg Kurtock; father- and mother-in-law, Ralph & Sue Lorey; sister-in-law, Donna (Randy) Stemle; brothers-in-law, Doug (Mary Jo) Lorey, and Duane (Amy) Lorey; and several nieces & nephews.

In addition to his mother, Jim was preceded in death by his sister, Sarah Scott.

Services were held on Saturday, December 12, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary in Fishers, with visitation immediately prior to the service.

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Troy W. KaneRonnie Wayne Green

August 21, 1975 - December 9, 2015June 13, 1968 - November 24, 2015



Troy W. Kane, 40, of Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at Riverview Health. He was born on August 21, 1975 in Noblesville, Indiana.

Troy worked as a tile installer for Tremain Tile & Granite, and was formerly a support manager at Walmart Neighborhood Market. He loved to cook and fish, and spend time with his dog, Sierra. Troy enjoyed spending time with his family, especially with his nieces & nephews.

He is survived by his companion, Carolyn Lewis; siblings, Tina (Dave) Holloway, Teresa (Wayne) Wright, Rusty (April) Kane, and Shannon (Daniel) Jenkins; eight nephews; two nieces; two great-nephews; and Ricky Pratt.

Troy was preceded in death by his mother, Katherine Kane Michaels, and brother, John Kane.

Services were held on Monday, December 14, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville, with visitation prior to the time of service. Rev. JR Moffatt officiated. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Joe McDaniel

December 10, 2015

Joe McDaniel, 91, of Zionsville, passed away on Thursday, December 10, 2015 at St. Vincent Hospice in Indianapolis.

Joe proudly served his country in the United States Army, and was a member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. For 33 years, he was a supervisor at Western Electric Corporation, retiring in 1979. Joe lived to play golf, and scored 10 holes-in-one. He was club champion at several local country clubs; his true passion was golf. Joe was a loving and compassionate caregiver for his wife, Laura, especially during the last four years of her life; and loved & adored his grandchildren.

He is survived by his son, Bill (Mary Kay) McDaniel; grandchildren, Molly & Maggy McDaniel; and several nieces & nephews.

In addition to his parents, Joe was preceded in death in 2008 by his wife, Laura McDaniel; and sisters, Charlotte List and Rosemary Tyler.

Services will be held at 2:30 pm on Thursday, December 17, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville, with visitation 12:30 pm to the time of service. Rev. Tom Metzger will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Tee of Indiana, PO Box 516, Franklin, IN 46131; or Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 9900 East 191st Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).

Jesse James Anderson

November 24, 2015

Jesse James Anderson passed away at 10:29 am on November 24th, 2015 at Howard Community Hospital.

He is survived by his parents, Jason and Samantha Anderson; brothers, Devin Anderson, Joseph Riley and Timothy Riley; paternal grandparents, James and Judy Anderson; maternal grandparents, James and Cathy Riley and great grandmother Laverne Paul.

He was proceeded in death by his maternal grandmother, Melody Moss and maternal great grandfather Jesse Paul.

Shirley & Stout Funeral Homes and Crematory assisted the family with arrangements.



Ronnie Wayne Green, 47, of Fishers, passed away on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at his home. He was born on June 13, 1968 to Clifton and Joyce (Jones) Beard in Water Valley, Mississippi. His father precedes him in death.

Ronnie was an electrician most of his adult life, and worked the last 3 1/2 years for Deem LLC in Indianapolis. He was a 1986 graduate of Pascagoula High School in Mississippi, and earned an Associate's degree from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. Ronnie loved to fish, and his wonderful personality will be missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his loving fiancé and partner for over the last three and a half years, Rhonda Springer; sons, Jeffrey Green, Jacob Green, Logan Green; step-son, Joseph Springer; brothers, Donnie (Anna) Green, and Scott (Mona) Green; mother, Joyce Ann Beard; step-brothers, Mitch & Mike Long; step-sister, Patty Long; several nieces & nephews; and dear friends, Mike, Barb & Michael Milcoff.

Services were held on Saturday, December 12, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary in Fishers, with visitation prior to the service. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 to assist the family with funeral expenses.

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Penny L. Usher

April 22, 1968 - December 11, 2015

Penny L. Usher, 47, of Arcadia, passed away on Friday, December 11, 2015 at Maple Park Village in Westfield. She was born on April 22, 1968 to Charles and Sharon Usher in Fayette County, Indiana.

Penny was a member of Cicero Christian Church, as well as Friends Unlimited, and their summer camp.

She is survived by her guardians, Terry & Debbie Pickett; and the caregivers and staff of Normal Life.

Services will be held at 12:00 pm on Thursday, December 17, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville, with visitation from 10:00 am to the time of service. John Knapp will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Elysian Foundation, c/o Tamala Grabb, 1812 Walnut Way, Noblesville, IN 46062. Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com).

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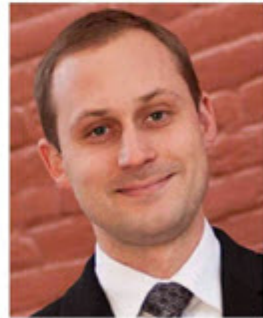



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## Jack Edward Miller

April 30, 1934 - December 9, 2015

Jack Edward Miller, 81, of Sheridan, passed away on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at home surrounded by his family. He was born on April 30, 1934 to the late Paul H. and Pearl I. (Swope) Miller in Eaton, Ohio.

Jack graduated from Eaton High School with the class of 1952. After graduating high school Jack started farming with his grandfather. Jack then began to work for The Kroger Company, eventually transferring to Kroger's Distribution Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. Jack met his wife Nancy of 38 years while employed at Kroger. They were married on May 29, 1977 at the Sheridan First Christian Church. Jack was very proud to be involved in his community. He served justly on many community boards and was the past-president of the Sheridan Redevelopment Board. He was a member of the Sheridan Fidelity Lodge 309 where he was honored to serve as past-master four times. Jack was also a member of the Indianapolis Scottish Rite. He loved many sports; however, his favorites were golf, fishing and football.

Jack was privileged to have two loving families whom will miss him dearly. He had six children from his first marriage, Onda (Marty) Moran, Christopher (Diane) Miller, Gail (Russ) Locker, Sherie (Kevin) Miller, Jane (Jeff) Day, and Randy (Toni) Miller. He is survived by his wife, Nancy and her children, Mary Jennifer Tolley-Wallace, Mark A. (Laura), Matthew J. (Debby) and Timothy (Karen) Tolley. Jack was also a very proud grandfather and great-grandfather to several.

Jack's grandson Brett Tolley preceded him in death in 2008.

Services were held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at the Sheridan Six Points Wesleyan Church in Sheridan, Indiana. Family and friends gathered prior to the time of service. Pastor Steve Martin officiated. Burial followed at Crownview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to the Peyton Manning Children's Hospital, 2001 West 86th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46260 or the Hamilton County Humane Society, 1721 Pleasant St #8, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060.

Condolences may be made at [www.fisherfunerals.com](http://www.fisherfunerals.com).

## Siu F. Mak

March 18, 1931 - December 8, 2015

Siu F. Mak, 84, of Middletown, passed away on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at Community Hospital North in Indianapolis. She was born on March 18, 1931 in Guangdong, People's Republic of China.

Orphaned as a child, and educated in China, Siu came to the United States on May 20, 1985. For 9 years, she was co-owner of Golden Dragon Chinese Restaurant in Martinsville. Siu was the matriarch of her family, passionately cared for them, and taught them the values of "family". She also loved gardening, and was a gardener by heart. She was the first Asian farm owner in Middletown, IN.

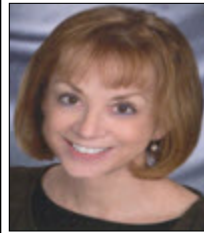
Siu is survived by her daughters, Yan Ling Mai, and Yan Xia Mai (Terry Dawson); sons, Bing F. Mak (Sui H.), and Andy H. Mak (Susan); grandchildren, Kweisi C. Mak-Dawson, Freedom H. Mak-Dawson, JoAnn Mak, Sau Y. Mak, and Kin M. Mak; and Siu F. Mak's brother, Steven Fung.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Siu C. Mak, on May 12, 2011.

The family received friends who wished to pay their respects on Sunday, December 13, 2015 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, Fishers. A procession left the funeral home afterwards for committal and burial at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

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## "Sunshine is my quest." – Winston Churchill



By SHARON MCMAHON, CNWC

December – a time for celebration, for joy, for time spent with friends and loved ones. All that is true, indeed. However for many people there are other issues to be faced between November – early March and that is my topic – SAD, or Seasonal Affective Disorder. While it is true that there are those who suffer from depression which is not seasonal, that is not something that I will address here and should be addressed only by those who are trained and licensed in that area.

SAD is a disorder that reflects the sometimes profound changes which light deprivation can cause in the brain. There are some who may be seriously affected by the decreased sunshine and shortened daylight hours in the winter months, and some who are only mildly affected yet still feel adverse outcomes of those shortened daylight hours. SAD begins and ends at about the same times every year. If you're like most people with SAD, your symptoms start in the fall and continue into the winter months; sapping your energy and making you feel moody.

Treatment for SAD may include light therapy (phototherapy), psychotherapy and medications. Again, please contact your licensed health care professional for any of these recommendations or referrals. Symptoms specific to winter-onset SAD, sometimes called "winter blues," may include irritability, low energy, heavy or "leaden" feeling in the arms or legs, oversleeping and appetite changes which may include carb cravings. Additionally, increased stress or pressure due to holiday events or expectations, workplace year-end deadlines, and financial issues can contribute to seasonal despondency.

Don't brush off that yearly feeling as simply a case of the "winter blues" or a seasonal funk that you have to tough out on your own. Take steps to keep your mood and motivation steady throughout the year. Up your fitness regimen or at least keep it steady during the winter months if your physical condition warrants. Walk whenever possible – outside if the weather cooperates, inside on a treadmill or shopping mall if needed. Stretching and flexibility are particularly important this time of year as we are usually bending, reaching, lifting items for decoration or to prepare for holiday company. Strength training is vitally important as well. Lift weights at least three times per week, using enough weight to challenge your muscles without overloading them. Not only will you feel more energetic and focused through the dark winter months, you will get a head start on your early spring training!

Indulge in a few goodies through the holiday season but remember to be mindful of the refined carbohydrate treats and offset that indulgence with quality protein and complex carbs in your eating plan. If your physician approves a Vitamin D supplement, that may help you during the low sunshine days to come. And remember – after December 21st daylight hours will begin to increase! Warmest wishes from my home to yours this holiday season.

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Threat of city services reduction



**By MARY SUE ROWLAND**  
The citizens of Noblesville have just gotten their Christmas present from the Mayor and it is returning the payment of trash collection back to each household. Every budget cycle for the past 20 years has included discussion of the city using tax payer’s dollars to pay for trash collection and how the city could use that money better. Somehow, the elected officials think the money comes from some source that does not belong to the tax payer. Actually, the payment for trash, as in all services, comes from the tax payer to the city in return for services provided. In all areas, the tax payer’s money does come back to them as fire and police protection, road improvements, parks and all the things that citizens cannot do for themselves.  
It is important, if the Mayor and Council vote to take away the trash collection payment by the city using tax payers money, to give the tax payer a sense that THERE money will be used wisely. No one can argue with adding police officers but has every option been exhausted to utilize the current number of officers? The tax payers would probably like to see more detail. The police department needs a new facility and have been asking for help with space needs and location for 10 years. Actually, exchanging a trash fee for a more efficient facility for the police could be more beneficial to public safety for the community than repaving alley’s.  
Tax caps have been a shock to the system of government but because of the caps government has been forced to rethink spending. When the discussion goes to “lean government”, that is a statement that is subjective by all. Government has never run like a business or truly been “lean” because money flows from the tax payer to pay for services without much thought by the supplier of the revenue. That very process of not enough citizen involvement is the problem. Government is also very good about absorbing revenue and spending without the tax paying seeing specific results. Adding additional personal is a tough sell as is threatening the community with cutting services. Since, the city has experienced \$30 million dollars of short fall in the last seven years, will the trash collection fee of \$2.6 million really make a difference? If it will make a difference, for how long? The city has cut personnel and that is to be appreciated from the standpoint of saving dollars and it appears services have not suffered. The city currently has over 360 full time employees working hard for the community. That number is down from 389 employees not counting summer part time help. Reduction of employees is not easy as in any operation but most private business has had to do the same. In general the way business is done today, less people are required to complete that same task.  
Before services are taken away from the citizens or fees returned to the citizens, another budget review might be appropriate. An action by government with positive results could be starting each budget cycle from zero. Every item from paper clips to heavy equipment is reviewed. Could departments share large items that cost the city millions of dollars? Even though unspent money does go back into the general fund, more upfront discussion would reduce expenses. The city does provide services that can be charged back to the user. Those departments that can cash flow or even make money should. Is every dime collected that could be collected? Many services are provided that are not collected at all.  
If money and services are the issue, then prove to the tax payer that everything is being done before the low “hanging fruit” such as the trash collection is taken away. The city increased its costs by becoming a second class city. Adding additional personal to cover the needs of the second class city and adding more council representatives has costs. Pushing responsibility back to the citizens for services should be the very last resort. Perhaps to some, \$126.84 may not seem like a lot of money but the revenues that will add to the income side of the city budget is coming from the same tax payer as the \$126.84 of new expense to pay for trash. Adding additional cost for trash collection to the wastewater will could result in more people just refusing to pay for either service. Every action has a reaction.  
Hanging on for another year without passing trash collection back to the citizens might be a solution for now. The delay would give more time for discussion, another budget cycle for review, a chance for the newly elected council members to weigh in and finding a more compelling reason for the action in question. Actually the action is not in question, it can become reality with the wave of a hand. The next question is, “What is next?”  
*Mary Sue Rowland was elected to serve the city of Noblesville as Council at Large member and will take office January, 2016*

This I know



**By JANET HART LEONARD**  
It's the most wonderful time of the year. My past has taught me that quite well.  
People are in a good mood (for the most part). The parties are scheduled where family and friends nibble on the best of the best delectable delights. Homes and businesses are decked out in lights and glitter as trees strut their stuff. And the holiday movies are on tv.  
Sit me down with a cup of coffee with creme brulee creamer and add a cookie or two (or three) and I will tell you that life is good.  
Thursday night I was wrapped up in the afghan that my mother crocheted for me. I feasted on a grilled peanut butter and jelly sandwich that my husband made for me. And what should to my wondering eyes should appear but the movie that told the story of Dolly Parton's Coat of many Colors. I was one happy lady.  
It made me remember my family's heritage. My parents were raised in the hills of Kentucky. Life was simple. Dads ruled over the household but Mamas ruled over Dads. Truly, the hand that rocked the cradle ruled the world...with love.  
Sunday was the day that everyone went to church, well almost everyone. A few Dads heard the sermons from outside the church windows. The sermons told how you should treat others but a Mama made sure that the kids understood. A Mama loved her kids with her cooking and sewing and her singing. Both hymns and made up songs tucked many a kid into bed at night.  
A Mama set the temperature of the household. If the kids had no Mama then other Mamas took them under their wing to nurture and love them well. It was just something that was done back then.  
Mamas tried to get their kids to see through to the heart of those who were angry. They taught their kids to love those who bullied them. Oh yes, sometimes it worked, sometimes it didn't, but mamas taught their kids to try.  
Teachers were just "other Mamas" that provided a safe place for kids to be taught, not just by the books but by the heart. They saw the needs of their students and often went beyond the schoolhouse to teach them not just reading and writing and arithmetic but that they were loved and made to feel special.  
Oh maybe things haven't changed all that much. Things just look different but Mamas still show their love by cooking and singing and well, some still sew. (I have a needle and some thread that are only used for fallen off buttons). This time of year I am in my happy place...the kitchen. I make homemade caramels, cinnamon candy and puppy chow mix. I sing and dance while I am in the kitchen...neither of which are always pretty. I pray that my kids know how much they are loved.  
My Mama still crochets afghans that I know she prays over. I did not inherit the ability or the desire to do so. Mama used to make my dresses and I loved them. I guess you could call them "designer originals". She would add ric rack or lace or fancy buttons to make then extra special. One thing I have always known is that I am loved. Her chocolate grave and homemade biscuits also told me so.  
Yes, back to my youth I go wonderin' once again to how my Mama loved me. She did without so I could have. She told me many stories from the Bible that taught me how loving well would bring me happiness. I live according to her words and that of the good book she taught me from. I still love to hear her pray for me and sing the hymns that tucked me into bed at night. What a Friend we have in Jesus. Silent Night. When the Roll is Called up Yonder. Amazing Grace.  
Yes, my Mama taught me that Jesus loves me...but I know she does too. I just have to look back to the seasons of my youth to be reminded. I have so many memories to be proud of. I am so blessed to have more memories to make with her. Yes, I continue to be loved...this I know.

County Line...

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gas tax revenue each year to go toward the project?  
With the volume of traffic increasing, it would seem wise to find a way to buy into the project as soon as possible. But, is it possible that opposition from some business owners along 37 is causing hesitation on the part of city officials?  
Certainly we do not want to see taxpaying business suffer. But, there are ways of engineering for local access to make sure that customers can get to commercial areas. It is done elsewhere and it can be done here.  
Businesses on 37 located there because of the visibility they gain from being on a major thoroughfare. They can survive with changes in traffic patterns as long as a path to their doors is reasonably simple and well marked.  
For our public officials there are political considerations, we understand that. It looks like Gov. Mike Pence should benefit because motorists can see how it will benefit them. Local officials should look at the situation in much the same way. Providing the greatest good for the greatest number is usually good politics.

**Nevitt...**  
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meeting room in the society's long-term development plan.  
The building, located on the Courthouse Square, is actually slightly older than the courthouse. It has housed such notorious figures as Charles Manson, D.C. Stephenson and William Dudley Pelley. For most of its life the structure included comfortable living quarters for the county sheriff and his family.  
The last inmates left the jail in 1977 when a new facility was completed on Cumberland Road.  
The museum is open to the public at no charge on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Special tours can be arranged by appointment.

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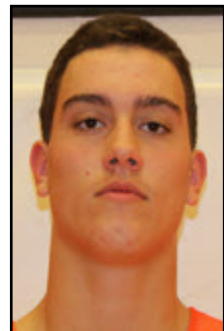
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*Game-winner on Friday, 27 points on Saturday....*

## Weatherford comes up big for Huskies

Hamilton Heights basketball coach Chad Ballenger talked during the week about hoping Sterling Weatherford becomes more like, well, Sterling Weatherford.



**Weatherford**

Bingo. Twice.

Friday evening at Cass Weatherford scored the game winner by finishing a drive to the basket at the buzzer as the Huskies got a huge 60-59 road win in the Hoosier Conference.

It was Heights' first game in the conference. Overall, with the victory the Huskies moved to 3-2 on the year.

Hamilton Heights plays again on the road tonight at Tri-Central.

Heights had to battle to get the win at Cass. The home team led 16-8

after one quarter and 30-25 at halftime before the Huskies outscored Cass 35-29 in the second half.

Weatherford got the game winner. Hunter Crist put on a show by scoring 36 points. Crist hit 12-of-21 shots, including going 5-of-9 from 3-point range.

Weatherford and Crist also led the way on the boards with six rebounds each.

Playing 31:50 of the 32-minute game, Weatherford also had six of Hamilton Heights' 13 steals. He finished the game with 10 points.

The Huskies were a hot 22-of-42 from the field.

Weatherford was the Friday hero, but he wasn't done yet. He drilled 27 points in the Huskies' Saturday win. He was 10-of-14 from the field, including a 2-for-3 night from 3-point range.

Crist, who canned 36 points on Friday, was held to 7 points, but Caymn Lutz notched 13 points to pick up the slack.

The Huskies hit 20-of-38 shots for a 52 percent night from the field. They were 12-of-15 from the free throw line.

Weatherford also pulled 9 of Heights' 28 rebounds and he collected a team-high 3 steals.

Crist dished out four assists and Alex Trachtman passed out 3.

It was a close game until the Huskies went on a 16-3 run in the third quarter. Tri-Central led 12-11 after one period and trailed only 26-22 at halftime.

With the victory, Coach Chad Ballenger's squad moved to 4-2.

Hamilton Heights has another double-header this weekend, playing a Hoosier Conference game on Friday and hosing Noblesville on Saturday.

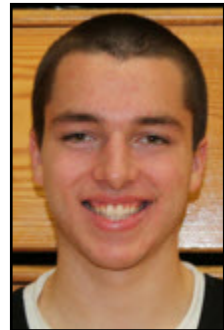
*Flinchum fires up Millers...*

## Noblesville gets hard-fought win at Anderson

By **RICHIE HALL**

**Reporter Sports Editor**

Saturday night's game between Noblesville and Anderson at the Indians gym was a little bit of an "irresistible force meets immovable object" scenario.



**Flinchum**

Anderson had a tough inside presence, but the Millers more than made up for that with some hot shooting - especially from the hand of Max Flinchum. The junior knocked down six 3-pointers, which was a big part of Noblesville's 55-48 win over the Indians - a possible sectional opponent now.

Flinchum was brilliant in the first quarter, pouring in four of his long range shots and getting the Millers up 14-9 by the end of

the quarter. Just for good measure, he added seven more points, including a fifth '3,' in the second period. That was the clear majority of Noblesville's 24-14 halftime lead.

"Max Flinchum came out, just had a tremendous first half," said NHS coach Brian McCauley. "He's capable of that. His teammates did a really good job of finding him. We did a good job of moving the basketball against their 1-3-1 and Max did a great job of being shot ready and knocking down a couple shots on the right wing, couple in the left corner."

Of course, everyone else on Noblesville's team helped out, too. John Kiser's first-quarter dunk erased the Indians' lone lead of the night, taking the Millers from being down 7-6 to being up 8-7. Corby Mertens hit a 3-pointer of his own in the second quarter. Noblesville's defense allowed Anderson just five points in that second period.

"I loved our energy, I loved our aggressiveness," said McCauley. "Obviously we got off to a tremendous start."

The Indians chipped away at the Millers' lead in the third quarter, scoring the first five points of the period. However, one more 3-pointer each from Mertens and Flinchum got Noblesville up by 11.

Anderson didn't go away, scoring five points at the end of the third to cut Noblesville's lead to 34-28. But Kiser took over in the fourth period: He had a coupd baskets, including a layin to get the Millers up 38-32.

With the score 40-36, Noblesville drained about 80 seconds of the clock, and then started doing its damage from the free throw line. Kiser alone was 9-of-10 from the line in the fourth period, with McGwire Plumer making all six of his free throws. Noblesville was 17-of-20 for the entire game.

Flinchum finished with 22 points, with Kiser getting 15 and Mertens scoring 10. Kiser also pulled nine rebounds. Plumer handed out seven assists to go with his eight points.

Noblesville is now 2-2, and hosts Westfield Friday at The Mill.

*After early week win...*

## 'Hawks frustrated by CC, Tipton

The week started promising for the Sheridan boys basketball team, but turned into frustration for the Blackhawks with two losses.

After scoring just eight points in the first quarter, Sheridan drilled 32 points in the fourth frame to defeat Faith Christian 74-66 in a wild game Tuesday at Hobbs Memorial Gym in Sheridan.

Chris Roberts and Jake Chesney combined for 46 points for Coach Chris Schrank's Sheridan club. Roberts had three 3-pointers and scored 24 points and Chesney was 9-of-13 from the field for 22 points. Also scoring in double figures was Aidan Roaten with a dozen points.

Chesney also had seven rebounds and three steals.

Sheridan opened its Hoosier Heartland Conference season Friday evening with a tough 60-58 loss at Clinton Central.

The Blackhawks started slowing, falling behind 24-16 in the opening period.

Two Blackhawks had big games for Coach Chris Schrank's team. Junior Aidan Roaten had a career high 21 points and Jake Chesney added 17.

Roaten also led Sheridan with seven rebounds, while Chris Roberts and Tommy Glidden each pulled five.

Undefeated Tipton nailed Sheridan in the first half and went on to a 75-32 victory over the Blackhawks Saturday evening at Hobbs Memorial Gym.

The Blue Devils led 17-4 after one quarter and went to halftime with a 37-12 advantage.

Weston Burtron, Sheridan's 6-6 junior center, tallied 11 points to lead the Blackhawks. Jack Waitt was next in the line with 9 points.

Waitt and Jake Chesney each grabbed four rebounds.

The Blackhawks hit 3-of-10 shots from 3-point range and overall shot 40 percent from the field. Sheridan hit just 1-of-5 free throws.

Sheridan ended a 3-game week with one victory.

Coach Chris Schrank's club is 2-3 on the year with another Friday/Saturday double-header coming up next weekend. Eastern will be in town on Friday and Taylor on Saturday as the Blackhawks face a pair of Hoosier Heartland Conference games.



**Reporter photo by Brian Reddick**

Sheridan's Jake Chesney scored 22 points for the Blackhawks in their Tuesday win over Faith Christian, then added 17 points for Sheridan in its close loss to Clinton Central on Friday.



Two close games...

# ‘Rocks nipped by Kokomo, beat New Pal in OT



Warner

The first boys basketball win at Westfield for former girls basketball coach Shane Sumpter was a barn burner Saturday evening as the Shamrocks won a 57-53 overtime thriller at New Palestine. The Shamrocks trailed by 11 points in the fourth quarter and stormed back to win 57-53 in overtime. A 3-pointer by Conner Osswald sent the game into overtime.

A Charlie Warner 3-pointer took the lead from the Dragons and a pair of free throws by Robbie Lynch cemented the win. Westfield was led in scoring by Warner with 19 points. Osswald finished with 16. Osswald hit a trio of pointers in the game. Sawyer Olsen pulled eight rebounds and Warner got six. Osswald dished out four assists. Charlie Warner and Ian Kristensen combined for 40 points but that didn’t get Westfield over the top as the Shamrocks were defeated, 62-58, Tuesday evening by Kokomo’s Wildkats at Kokomo Memorial Gym.

Warner hit 8-of-17 shots and scored 24 points and Kristensen canned 6-of-11 and finished with 16 points. Kristensen and Warner each grabbed six rebounds to lead Coach Shane Sumpter’s Shamrocks on the boards. The loss was the third straight for Westfield to open the season. In the junior varsity game at Kokomo, Caleb Welch led the way with 16 points to give Westfield a 61-58 victory. Westfield will take its 1-3 record into a pair of tough games next weekend, playing at Noblesville on Friday and hosting undefeated Tipton on Saturday.

GC struggles with cold shooting...

# GC falls to Northwest, Muncie



Godfrey

Guerin Catholic’s struggles continued last week, as the Golden Eagles dropped both of their games at the Eagles Nest. Northwest defeated Guerin Catholic 71-65 Friday night in the Eagles Nest. The Pioneers led at every quarter break. The Golden Eagles were consistent with their field goal shooting, but not in a good way. After connecting only 32.1 percent shooting from the field in the first half, Guerin Catholic only increased it to 33.3 percent in the second half. For the game the Golden Eagles made only 12 out of 32 2-point field goals, and made only 9 out of 32 3-pt. Shots. "We took some rushed shots tonight, and just struggled making any kind of shots," said GC Coach Pete Smith. "Northwest played a real good game, and we didn't. We won't beat any teams on our schedule shooting 32.8 percent from the field. They also out rebounded us. We just are not playing very well at this point in the season." Christian Munson scored 23 points for Guerin Catholic. Matthew Godfrey scored 16 points and Calen Cunningham had a double-double with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

Muncie Central rallied from being down at halftime to beat Guerin Catholic in boys basketball action 80-68 Saturday night in the Eagles Nest. Christian Munson's eight first-quarter points generated a 20-16 first quarter lead for the Golden Eagles. And his lay-up at the halftime buzzer off one of Cameron Lindley's 10 assists kept Guerin Catholic (1-4) in the lead 38-37 at halftime. But the Bearcats got red-hot in the third quarter, making 8 out of 11 shots, and pulled away in the second half. Keeping Coach Pete Smith's squad in striking distance was sophomore Jack Hansen's 15 points. He finished with team highs of 19 points and 6 rebounds. Munson totaled a season-low 15 points, while Calen Cunningham and Matthew Godfrey added 14 and 13 points. Smith was pleased with his team's first half play, and their overall effort in the contest. "We did some really nice things the first half, but we failed to execute offensively in the second half," he said. "We struggled keep them off the offensive boards in the second half, as they had several second and third chance put backs. We had some bright spots though, and we'll work to build on them." Lawrence North and Lafayette Jeff are next for the Golden Eagles next Friday and Saturday nights, respectively. "We're not getting many bounces our way, but you have to make those bounces, and we're not right now," added Smith.

Lady Millers 4-0 in HCC...

# Fishers puts up fight in The Mill

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor  
Getting a victory in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference is tough. Anywhere, home or away. Against anybody, regardless the team records. That point was proven again last evening in The Mill as Noblesville slipped past Fishers, 64-51. The win moved Coach Donna Buckley’s Lady Millers to 4-0 in the HCC and 10-2 overall. Fishers now is 2-9 overall and 0-3 in the conference. Point proven; records mean little when teams battle in the conference. And, Coach Michael Gaines’ Lady Tigers did battle in this one. “Fishers gave us a battle,” said Buckley. “Our seniors did a good job giving us minutes. “Rachel (Shipman) hit two big 3-pointers. As a team, we had 17 assists.” Noblesville’s warrior of the evening was senior Katelyn O’Reilly. She had 14 points and six rebounds. “I wasn’t sure she would be able to play (because of an injury),” Buckley said. “I was just happy to see her out there.” Alexis Shannon led Noblesville in scoring with 17 points. Brooke Herron also scored in double figures with 12 points. Herron dished out nine assists. Emily Kiser had a big game on the boards with 12 rebounds. Kiser also had six steals. Fishers’ biggest problem was turning over the ball 26 times, and the Tigers couldn’t overcome the experienced post play of Noblesville. But, Fishers did outrebound Noblesville 38-28. Megan Forbes led the Tigers with a career high 12 points and she also added four steals. Casey Walker came off the bench and notched 10 points and collected eight rebounds.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Despite an injury, Katelyn O’Reilly scored 14 points and pulled six rebounds to help Noblesville to a 64-51 Hoosier Crossroads Conference victory over Fishers Friday at The Mill. The Millers are 4-0 in the HCC. Fishers’ next game is a big one, playing rival Hamilton Southeastern on Friday at the Coliseum. Tip-off time for the girls game is 6:30 p.m., with the boys to follow. Noblesville’s next game is Dec. 15 at home against Anderson.

## Cool 3rd period in the Nest.... Lafayette Jeff comes back over Guerin

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor  
What a difference a half can make. In the first half of a Saturday afternoon tilt in the Eagles Nest, it looked as if the host Golden Eagles would fly away from visiting Lafayette Jeff. Coach Scott Miller’s club led 14-6 after one quarter and 28-19 at halftime. At times in that first half it looked as if the Eagles would fly away from the Bronchos. All of that changed when Lafayette Jeff went on an 18-6 third quarter run. The

visitors stayed out in front in the fourth quarter and pulled out a 61-56 victory in the Nest. “We had another third quarter like that in the win over South Bend Riley. We came out with the victory in that game,” Miller said. The Saturday loss broke as five-game Guerin Catholic win string and left the Eagles with a 7-3 record.

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Split week for Blackhawks...

Sheridan clobbers CC, edged by Carroll

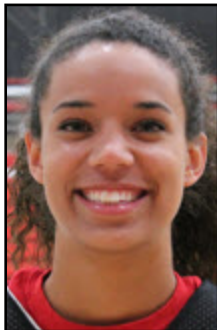
Sheridan Lady Blackhawks, who have spent most of the season pounding on non-conference opponents, last evening unloaded on Hoosier Heartland foe Clinton Central, 68-11, on road.

The win evened the conference season for Coach Jeff Guenther's club at 1-1.

Sheridan now has won five straight games and stands 6-2 on the year.

The Blackhawks left little doubt at CC. Sheridan led 24-5 after one period and 38-4 at halftime.

Three players combined for 53 Sheridan points. Sophomore Audrey Reed led the way with 24 points and junior Brittany Welch notched 17. Freshman Jillian O'Flaherty scored 12 points, all behind the 3-point line.



Welch

Sheridan hit 28-of-56 shots, with Reed popping 10-of-19 and Welch 8-of-16. The winners were 7-of-20 from 3-point range.

Welch pulled six rebounds, Faith DeVaney five and Nixon Williams four. Welch also had eight steals.

Sheridan as a team had 19 steals.

Guenther summed it up precisely after his Blackhawks battled Carroll Thursday night at Hobbs Gymnasium.

"It was a tough test," said Guenther.

Sheridan fought to the end, but fell short to the Cougars 56-53. Carroll, which is ranked No. 10 in Class 2A, took the lead in the second quarter and kept it for the remainder of the game, thus ending the Blackhawks' five-game win streak. Sheridan is now 6-3 for the season.

But the 'Hawks stayed close, never allowing the Cougars' lead to get out of hand. In fact, Sheridan scored eight unanswered points towards the end of the game, cutting a 51-40 Carroll lead to 51-48 with 39.9 seconds left. The Cougars went through a spell during the run where they tried to

drain the clock, and succeeded in taking about two minutes off.

Still, Sheridan was able to whittle Carroll's lead down. Brittany Welch scored off a steal by Jillian O'Flaherty, then Audrey Reed made a layin while getting fouled, and hit the ensuing free throw for a 3-point play. That made the score 51-48 with 39.9 seconds left.

The Cougars finished the game from the line, making 5-of-6 foul shots in the final 30 seconds. But the Blackhawks played to the buzzer, with Faith DeVaney making a 3-pointer at the horn.

"I thought we competed," said Sheridan coach Jeff Guenther. "I thought we played hard. They defend extremely well, make it difficult for you. It was a tough test."

Carroll went on an early 6-0 run to jump ahead 8-2, with Sheridan answering back by scoring eight straight points. Welch hit a 3-pointer, then Reed poured in five points. That made the score 10-8 Blackhawks, but five straight points moved Carroll ahead 13-10 after one.

Nixon Williams hit an early 3-pointer in the second period to get Sheridan up 15-13. The Cougars answered with another 6-0 run, which was keyed by Macy Willoughby. The junior is a big part of Carroll's success this year, and she was hard to stop Thursday. Willoughby scored 23 points, including five 3-pointers.

"That's a very good basketball team, and you can't afford to make critical concentration mistakes," said Guenther. "And we did that early."

Carroll led from anywhere between four and nine points for most of the second half, getting ahead 51-40 after Willoughby drained two more 3s in the middle of the fourth.

Welch scored 27 points for Sheridan, including three 3-pointers of her own, and grabbed eight rebounds. Reed scored 20 points.

Next up for the 'Hawks is a Tuesday night road trip to Clinton Prairie.

More tough games for Huskies...

Heights drops two

Hamilton Heights' Lady Huskies lost a tough game to Northwestern on the road, 54-39, Tuesday evening.

The Huskies closed a large first quarter deficit to 1 point to go into halftime down only 19-18.

Northwestern went on an 11-2 run to open the third quarter. The Huskies never recovered.

Ashton Runner led the way for Heights with 12 points and 5 rebounds and sophomore Ana Collar added 8 points and 8 rebounds.

On Saturday, the Huskies took on Lapel, the No. 3-ranked team in Class 2A on Saturday, and gave it a good fight.

But the Bulldogs, coming off of back-to-back losses last week, weren't about to lose a third game in a row. Instead, Lapel took a 24-10 lead into halftime, then held on in the second half to beat the Huskies 49-36.

The Bulldogs are now 8-2 for the season, while Heights dropped to 2-7.

Ana Collar led Coach Omega Tandy's Huskies with 15 points, with Kayla Kirtley scoring eight. Collar, Sydney Griffey and Abby Christensen each grabbed four rebounds. Heights played strong defense with a remarkable 17 steals; Bri Henson had seven takeaways and Collar made six.

The Huskies are off until next Saturday, when they travel to Zionsville to face a very good 4A Eagles team.



Henson

'Rocks go 1-1 last week...

Westfield falls to Carmel, rebounds to beat Zionsville

Balance was the word of the game in a big county girls basketball clash between Carmel and Westfield Tuesday at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

In the end, the Class 4A No. 10 Greyhounds used some intense defense to end the unbeaten run of the 4A No. 7 Shamrocks, by the score of 51-48. Carmel held an eight-point lead late in the fourth quarter before Westfield made one last push.

The entire game was close. Jalyn Foland started things off with a 3-pointer for the 'Rocks, then Carmel burst out to an 8-3 lead, with Olivia Christy and Emily Kmec hitting a couple 3s of their own.

Foland and Allison VanDyke responded with - what else? - a couple downtown shots, and even Haliegh Reinoehl got in on the long-distance action with a 3. That gave Westfield a 12-10 lead, but Carmel worked its way back to lead 15-14 after one quarter.

The 'Hounds jumped ahead 26-20 by halftime. Carrie Larson made a 3-pointer, and Christy scored four points, including a basket off a steal. Meanwhile, Carmel was starting to press, and held Westfield to six points in the second period.

"They're a very solid team shooting the basketball if you let them get their feet set and stuff," said Carmel coach Tod Windlan of the Shamrocks. "We wanted to create a game that didn't let them run their stuff."

But Westfield blasted back in the third period, opening it with five points from VanDyke. Reinoehl then took over the game, scoring eight points, including six on three straight baskets. That got the 'Rocks ahead 33-30. Larson tied it up with another 3, and Amy Dilk got a basket to roll in to give Carmel a 35-33 advantage after three quarters.

The Greyhounds led by eight points on three different occasions, with Dilk's layin getting them up 48-40. Westfield made one last run to get within 50-48, but that was with 1.5 seconds left. Kmec's free throw placed the score at its final.

"We went stagnant," said WHS coach Ginny Smith. "We just got real passive there. I think we got tight and it kind of showed."

Carmel didn't get anyone in double figures, but had four players - Christy, Kmec, Dilk and Larson - all score nine points. Dilk had a fantastic game, with eight rebounds and five assists.

The 'Rocks got three players in double figures: VanDyke scored 16, Reinoehl 15 and Foland 10. VanDyke pulled five rebounds.

Westfield ran way with the fourth quarter, and ran back on to the winning track Friday night by beating Zionsville 42-24 in an away Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

The Shamrocks had won their first 10 games of the season before falling to Carmel on Tuesday, so this victory improved Westfield to 11-1 on the year. It also ended a five-game win streak for the Eagles, who are 8-2 and off to their best start since the 2003-04 season.

Conference-wise, the 'Rocks are now 2-0 and firmly in second place, behind only Noblesville's 4-0 mark.

The game was a defensive one, with Westfield leading 9-4 after the first quarter and 20-10 at halftime. Zionsville started to chip away at the lead in the third quarter, but the Shamrocks toughened up their defense in the fourth period, outscoring the Eagles 14-3.

Allison VanDyke poured in 16 points for Westfield, with Jalyn Foland adding 10 points, including a pair of 3-pointers. Haliegh Reinoehl scored eight points, pulled eight rebounds and blocked two shots. Abby Reeder made five steals.

The 'Rocks continue HCC play on Tuesday, traveling to Avon.



Reeder

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"We just came out of halftime flat," Miller said. "We missed defensive assignments. We dug a hole in that third quarter and couldn't dig out. We shot 26 percent from the field. You can't win many games shooting 26 percent."

"I don't want to make excuses, but our girls were coming out a tough academic week," Miller added.

Sarah Yount led Guerin in scoring with 23 points and Abigail Wampler notched



Yount

12. Wampler hit a couple of 3-pointers to get her team back in the game in the fourth quarter after Lafayette Jeff went up by 10 points.

Two 3-pointers helped Jeff catch Guerin. Lafayette took its first lead with 1:10 left in the third frame on back to back 3-point shots.

Guerin Catholic has a challenging road ahead, playing five games in five days. The Eagles will play at Shenandoah on Dec. 19, host Concord on Dec.21, host a four-team tourney on Dec. 22 and then travel to Shelbyville on Dec.23.

In the first round of the Guerin Catholic Tourney, the Eagles will play Broad Ripple at 9 a.m. and Elkhart Central and Park Tudor will meet at 10:30 a.m.

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