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Commentary

# Financial impact of caps, fees

By RICK TAYLOR AND GREG O’CONNOR

For more than 20 years the City of Noblesville has facilitated trash pick-up for the community. And during those 20 years a debate has ensued regarding our citizens paying for a portion or all of this service. The “can” has been kicked down the road over and over and now we believe it has reached the point where a decision must be made on the fiscal soundness of our current trash program.

In January, the City Council plans to vote on making trash collection a cost-neutral program by having homeowners pay the contracted amount of \$10.57 per month. The city would continue to manage and negotiate the trash contract on behalf of the residents which results in lower pricing per household and allows the city to control the timing of trash collection.

A bit of history may help frame this issue. In 2008, the cost of providing trash collection was approximately \$1.56 million compared to \$2.6 million now. While the rate per household has increased slightly, the household growth within the city has caused the total cost to double over the past 12 years.

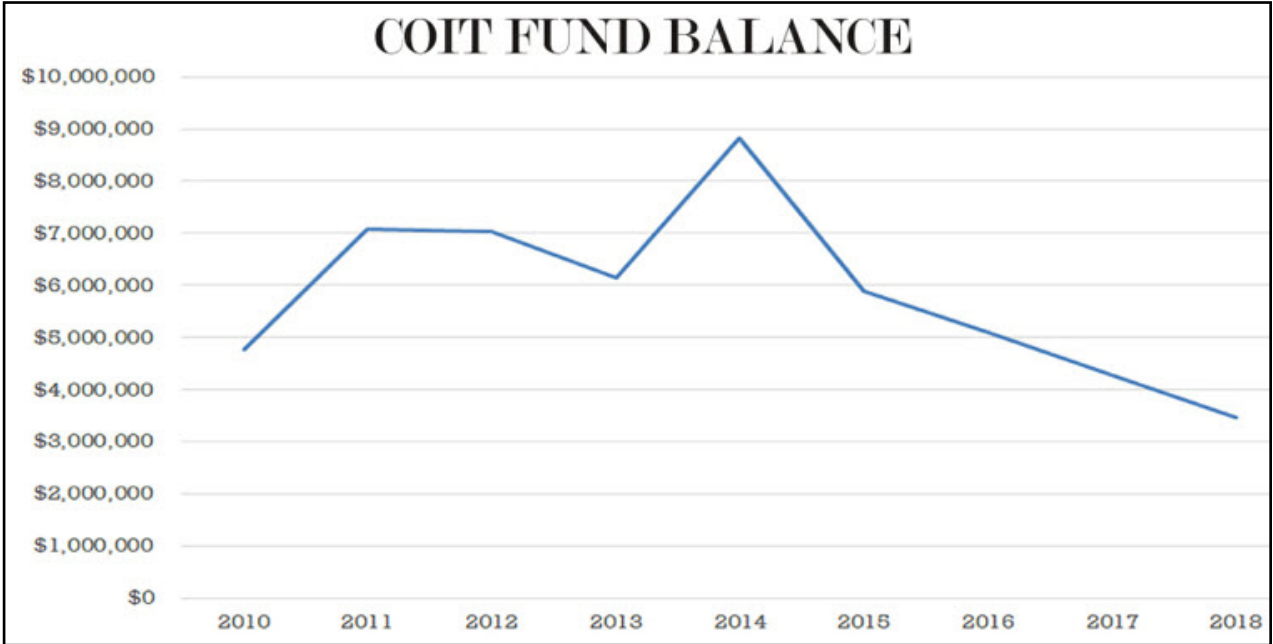
In 2008, council reviewed the trash collection process. There were some of us who envisioned the day where the city’s revenue and expense lines would cross with the enactment of the property tax caps. We’re now 6 years into the property tax cap era and the impact on the city’s revenues are being felt. In 2014, council passed a “red” budget with cash resources to support it. In the end, because of frugal management by the administration and department heads during the year we were successful in achieving a “black budget” for the year. Although the efforts of city leaders were admirable, the “red” budget was a warning sign that revenue was not keeping pace with expenses. Further, it should also be noted here the city is operating today with at least 20 less employees than in 2009 which enhances productivity. As an example, in 2009, the planning department had 19 employees and



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Carmel	\$9.61
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Sheridan	\$15.00
Fishers	*Residents procure their own trash service.
Ham. Co. Avg.	\$12.49

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Reporter will not publish an edition Friday, Jan. 1 in observance of New Year’s Day. Our next edition will be Saturday, Jan. 2.

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Will be spending more time on her travel business...

# Jaros ends 20-year tenure as last Clerk-Treasurer

Janet Jaros began her public servant career in 1989 as secretary in the clerk-treasurer’s office making \$6.13 an hour.

“I was thrilled to have the job,” Jaros recalled. “I went from that job into the bookkeeper job and about 1995 Marilyn Conner came to me and said, ‘I’m not going to run again and I think you should consider it.’ I did and thought, ‘OK, I can do this.’”

Jaros was elected to serve as Noblesville’s Clerk-Treasurer in 1996 and will end her fifth term on Dec. 31. In each of her years, Jaros ran unopposed but the clerk-treasurer position will no longer exist as Noblesville becomes a Second Class City on January 1.

“I am the last clerk-treasurer, no one can do it better,” Jaros joked. “Sincerely though, I’d like to thank my loyal staff for their dedication, they make me look good.”

Jaros was born and raised in Noblesville. She said working for her city’s betterment was very fulfilling.

“I loved this job, love my community. I wanted to do the best I could for my name, my reputation but also the



Jaros

city. I didn’t consider myself a politician. There’s a lot of politics that go on but I could sit back here in my office and do my job,” said Jaros. “My name is my reputation, even now as I try to build my business. I had a judge once say I was the keeper of the purse and that’s important. I never looked at those numbers and thought, ‘Oh that’s money,’ they were numbers – a lot of numbers.”

Throughout her life, Jaros has seen Noblesville and Hamilton County change quite a bit. As clerk-treasurer for the past 20 years, she’s also seen the way government has changed and impacted the city – including a lot more financial rules and reports.

“The budget has grown because of all the department’s growth. We had maybe 100 to 120 employees when I started and now we are at 375. Our boundaries have spread and it takes more people to provide the services,” said Jaros. “The property tax caps have been a huge hit to the revenue. We’re in good cash shape but we aren’t bringing in enough revenue to provide the services that need to be provided. It’s great for the homeowners, it’s just bad for the schools and the city.”

Every year since 1999, Jaros has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Her other recognitions include being designated

as a Certified Municipal Clerk in 2000; being named a Master Municipal Clerk in 2007; and winning the 2009 Financial Management Award from the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns.

As Jaros leaves municipal work, she will spend more time helping others plan their fun. In April 2013, Jaros started J Cruise Travel.

“I specialize in cruising because travel itself can be very overwhelming if you jump in and try to do it all. I know cruising better than any other type of travel. My goal for 2016 is to start branching out and looking at other options like all-inclusives and resorts,” she said.

Despite a background in wedding and planning, she decided a travel agent would be a less stressful job than a wedding planner.

“I planned our trips all the time. I researched them, what they cost and where they’re going so why not do it for others too?,” said Jaros. “A big misconception is it doesn’t cost any more to use me than to book on the internet, and sometimes I can get you a better deal.”

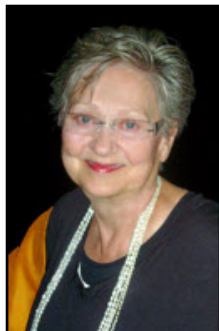
For more information on J Cruise Travel, call 317-370-8751 or e-mail [jjar1005@outlook.com](mailto:jjar1005@outlook.com).

# It's All Over

By MARY SUE ROWLAND

The “season” is all over except for the returns and putting away the evidence that Christmas was here once again. It does seem necessary for a short review of the activities large and small. Thank you to all the churches that opened their doors to one and all on eve of Christmas, a great way to reflect on the meaning of Christmas. The effort is all about the reason for a Christmas celebration and singing those wonderful traditional hymns gives the soul a calming feeling of peace. It is nice to leave the Christmas Eve service with a ligsht dusting of snow but that was missing this year however those warm breezes were welcome.

The thousands and thousands of acts of kindness have not gone unnoticed.



Christmas is a perfect opportunity to share and make sure all those known and unknown are touched and needs are filled. To all those thousands and thousands who gave so much, you are very special people. Donations, fundraisers, filling boxes, delivering food and gifts and on and on – if by any chance you were not recognized for your efforts, here is your very special “thank you” from all those you helped.

And so it goes, another New Year! The two events, Christmas and New Year’s coming so close together makes for a very important way to end and begin. A new beginning is a hopeful time when maybe the New Year will be better than last. It a time to renew efforts, relationships and focus on what can be, should be and what is.

**Important message:** Christmas and New Year’s comes but one a year but needs are every day and all year long. Don’t forget to keep giving and trying to make your community, family and even the world a better place. Happy New Year and the best to you and yours!

## Letter to the Editor...

### Decorations at Crownland Cemetery becoming carnival-like

Dear Editor,

For several years, Crownland Cemetery has permitted an atmosphere comparable to carnival-like decorations on its gravestone/grave sites. Thankfully, not everyone is a participant.

I realize that each person has the right to displaying memorial remembrances of loved ones. This array of 'decor' first developed on the south portion of the cemetery, but now is working its way toward the north. Disgusting.

Care of the land as of late (mowing, trimming, including small nasty looking trees, etc.) has not been par. At one point, a sign posted in the cemetery ask that site owners place their memorables so it would be easier for the mowing personnel to do their job. Apparently, it makes no difference to some.

Our answer to our problem will be to sell our site.

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## IMPACT

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processed a total of 965 permits or 51 permits per employee. In 2015, the department has 13 employees (via attrition) and processed 2,876 permits – 221 permits per employee. This is just one example of productivity gains across all city departments. As our population has grown, we are “doing more with less.”

As further evidence of the impact on revenues mentioned above, according to a Dec. 8, 2015 article in the *Indianapolis Business Journal* on property tax caps, it was reported Noblesville lost approximately 18 percent of its property tax revenues due to the caps. In the 2016 budget, it is anticipated there will be a loss of approximately \$5 million from property tax caps and the cumulative effect since 2009 is approximately \$30 million. We’ve been successful managing through this revenue reduction during one of the worst economic environments any of us have experienced and did **NOT** ask the tax payers for support. It is prudent and necessary for us to ask for that support now to insure we are able to provide the services our citizens expect and deserve.

The fee is a way to continually reinvest in Noblesville. It is our intent to manage the revenue generated to improve the downtown infrastructure (including alleys that have not been repaired since 1995), tree replacement program, increase our support of law enforcement and their crime prevention efforts, and increase our funding of road repaving and sidewalk repair throughout the city. These dollars will be placed in designated funds and appropriated by the council based on administration’s recommendations. Moreover, the city will be able to replenish its COIT Fund (essentially our Rainy Day Fund). We have been using 100 percent of our COIT revenues year after year to balance the budget and are seeing that fund balance trend downward. It’s imperative we maintain a sufficient COIT balance to fund emergency situations or large projects. (i.e.: Indiana 37 interchange improvements or the creation of Pleasant Street as an east-west corridor). Having cash on hand also supports our AA- S&P bond rating which minimizes interest costs to taxpayers on bond issues for projects in Noblesville.

The city’s contract with Republic Services for trash/recycling is in place for the next three years; however, at expiration of the contract the city could remove itself from providing trash service. This would mean homeowners would be responsible for negotiating and contracting their own trash service as is currently done in Fishers. Your cost would most likely increase and trash collection could take place every day of the week in your neighborhood instead of the coordinated plan currently in place. We **DO NOT** believe this is an option our citizens are interested in, but it is an option and must be considered.

In summation, we support the implementation of the fee. It is our belief by

making infrastructure investments the city will be a more attractive destination for new businesses and residents alike. This investment will allow us to grow the commercial tax base and helps us avoid asking the taxpayers for additional financial support. Infrastructure IS a proven economic development driver and will attract businesses and people to move to Noblesville.

We want our downtown to be the “heart and soul” of the City of Noblesville. We want to increase the walkability of our community. We want better roads and connected trails. We need to invest in these infrastructure assets. This fee is intended to insure we have the financial wherewithal to make this happen today and into the future. We believe the time is **NOW** to move Noblesville forward.

*Rick Taylor serves as president of the Noblesville Common Council for 2015. Greg O’Connor will serve as the nine-member Common Council president beginning in 2016.*

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Reba Watson

June 3, 1940 - December 24, 2015

Reba Watson, age 75, of Oxford, Indiana, passed away on Thursday evening, December 24, 2015, at Sheridan Healthcare Center. Born on June 3, 1940 in Co-Op, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late John and Delia (Bell) Slaven.

Reba loved spending time with her family. Whether it was going with her daughter to church or to a "gospel sing", working in her garden, planting flowers, or even just doing some yard work, getting to spend time with her children and grandchildren made those events even more special. The only thing that ever came close to her love for family, was Reba's love for running the roads in search of a "rummage sale".

For 15 years, Reba helped care for others, as part of the housekeeping department in a healthcare center.

Reba is survived by her son, Eugene Watson (Madonna) of Frederick, Maryland; 3 daughters, Linda Hammer of Lafayette, Karen Watson-Bower (Jimmy) of Templeton and Nancy Justus of Fowler; 1 brother, Don Slaven of Boswell; 1 sister, Pauline Anderson of Pine Village; 7 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jesse Watson; and 7 siblings.

Private family services were held on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, at Oxford West Cemetery in Oxford, Indiana.

Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan were entrusted with the arrangements.

Purse stolen from Indianapolis Zoo...

Police ask for public’s help to identify potential theft suspects

The Indiana State Police Capitol Police Section is asking for the public’s help in identifying two potential theft suspects.

On Dec. 12, 2015 Indiana State Police Capitol Police Officer Casey Witzgreuter investigated the theft of a purse from the Indianapolis Zoo. The male and female attached photos were captured on a gas station surveillance video using a credit card that was in the stolen purse. The suspects were seen driving the silver sedan missing the driver’s side rear hub cap. They are pictured at right.

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- Matthew 2:5-6

50 Years Ago

December 31, 1965

**News:** “Highway Department Officials today announced the retirement of Mrs. Virginia Carey, secretary, receptionist and office assistant to County Highway Superintendent Newman Hodson. Mrs. Carey will leave at the end of the month after spending six years in the highway office.”

**Sports:** “Noblesville’s reserves came in with two of their coolest basketball exhibitions of the season and dropped both ends of a holiday B-team tournament at Alexandria Tuesday afternoon and evening.”

**Ad:** Hook’s Dependable Drug Stores: Devilbliss Vaporizer, \$6.49.



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Join Riverview Health for a morning filled with health and wellness events including risk assessments, screenings, breakout sessions and discussions designed to inform and inspire women. Don’t miss out on the chance to win a free two-month membership to Riverview Health Rehab & Fitness. The event and discussions are free to attend. For the screenings that require pre-registration and pre-payment, please call [317.776.7247](tel:317.776.7247).

Learn about healthy living at one of the following breakout sessions:

- Women's Health Panel – What You Should Know – 9 am
- Healthy Cooking on the Go – 10:30 am

**Available screenings:**

- Baseline EKG – \$10
- Blood pressure screening – Free
- CT calcium heart scan – \$49\*
- DEXA bone density scan – \$79\*
- Foot health screening from 10 am-noon – Free
- PAD screening – Free
- Pap exams – Free
- Screening mammograms – Insurance will be billed\*
- TSH\*\* – \$20
- Vitamin D screening\*\* – \$39
- Women's Health & Wellness laboratory profile\*\* – \$30

*\*These screenings require pre-registration and may have qualifying guidelines. Screening appointments are limited and pre-payment is required.*

*\*\*These screenings require fasting for at least eight hours.*

# Noblesville building permits

**Single Family New Construction**

CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, Inc, 423, Lochaven At Noble West – 7, 15004 Midland LN, \$256,097.00  
CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, Inc, 415, Lochaven At Noble West – 7, 15084 Midland LN, \$261,297.00  
CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, Inc, 422, Lochaven at Noble West – 7, 15014 Midland LN, \$259,997.00  
CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, 281, Twin Oaks – 4, 6042 Barley DR, \$200,000.00  
CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, Inc., 242, Twin Oaks – 4, 6049 Bartley DR, \$218,169.00  
Arbor Homes, LLC, 427, Waterman Farms – 11, 15253 Silver Charm DR, \$132,000.00

Arbor Homes, LLC, 449, Waterman Farms – 11, 15168 Silver Charm DR, \$122,000.00  
Estridge Homes, 43, West Haven At Noble West – 7, 152954 Merritt Pass, \$500,000.00  
Estridge Homes, 50, West Haven at Noble West – 7, 15349 Merritt Pass, \$500,000.00  
Estridge Homes, 48, West Haven at Noble West – 7, 15387 Merritt Pass, \$500,000.00  
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# Hamilton County marriage licenses

Marissa Haley Smith, 23, Fishers, and David Aaron West, 27, Indianapolis  
Timothy John Blad, 47, Carmel, and Christina Ledbetter, 42, Carmel  
Elaine A-Taylia Adamson, 26, Fishers, and Marlon Dewayne Turner SR, 26, Fishers  
Zubair Ali Hasmi, 37, Carmel, and Katherine Ruth Flanagan, 29, Carmel  
Matthew Michael Landolf, 50, Carmel, and Marjorie Anne Madden, 34, Carmel  
Milos Grac, 46, Fishers, and Fabiola Lopez Martinez, 32, Fishers  
John R Yergin, 46, Fishers, and Cidney A Bever, 45, Fishers  
Thomas Warren Myers, 28, Noblesville, and Jessica Diann Caudill, 26, Noblesville  
Stephen Andrew James Koertge, 28, Indianapolis, and Melissa Lynn Moses, 24, Westfield  
Tracy Lynn Cherf, 27, Westfield, and Justin Andrew Toombs, 28, Westfield  
Lydia Wathen, 23, Mooresville, IN, and Michael Stiehl, 24, Westfield  
Sheldon Simon, 56, Westfield, and Warren Thomas Reed, 44, Westfield  
Kara Elisabeth Clarke, 29, Fishers, and Daniel Louis Spaulding, 35, Fishers  
Mark Allen Cassell, 51, Noblesville, and Daniyel Da Nene Duvall, 44, Noblesville  
Colleen Rae Riley, 40, Carmel, and Brandon Alexander Altschul, 29, Carmel  
Christopher W Bloomer, 31, Noblesville, and Randi N Bower, 29, Noblesville  
Brett Allen Mize, 50, Atlanta, IN, and Carrie Ann Johnson, 44, Atlanta, IN  
Anthony Dale Staton, 47, Noblesville, and Caren Kay Bough, 44, Noblesville  
Jordan Christopher Craft, 22, Noblesville, and Abbey Ruth May, 21, Noblesville  
Robert Yates, 23, Noblesville, and Taylor Giselbach, 22, Noblesville  
Elizabeth L Lauri, 41, Fishers, Brian Keith Atkinson, 52, Carmel  
Jeffrey Jon Curry, 26, Fishers, and Olivia Alexandria Marie Anderson, 22 Fishers  
Jason Wesley Harper, 41, Noblesville, and Megan Elizabeth Turner, 27, Noblesville  
Anthony Christian Snellenberger, 36, Fishers, and Emily Renee Lanier, 31, Fishers  
Michael Shane Atherton, 28, Noblesville, and Rachel Elizabeth Spriggs, 24, Greenwood, IN  
Brian Allen Louks, 31, Noblesville, and Monica Joy Thomas, 26, Acadia, IN  
Michael Deluca, 26, Fishers, and Laura Mercer, 28, Fishers  
Michael Anthony Huffman, 26, Sheridan, and Melissa Jo Gearheart, 41, Sheridan  
Hannah J Guy, 26, Carmel, and Daniel M Savka, 25, Indianapolis  
John Christopher Landy, 71, Noblesville, and Beverly Inman Didham, 70, Noblesville  
Diane Elaine Nelson, 52, Carmel, and Kenneth Phillip Jones, 50, Carmel  
George Josh Broadbent, 40, Fishers, and Katherine Staubach Bailey, 39, Fishers  
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Rawan Tabar, 25, Noblesville, and Jordan Hill, 25, Noblesville  
Jourdan Maxine Oler Morales, 23, Fishers, and Samuel John Rogers, 23, Fishers  
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Defense and depth ....

# Millers get much-needed win

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

Coach Brian McCauley said the low scoring coming out of Noblesville’s 53-39 victory over Avon in the final round of the Noblesville Holiday Tourney Wednesday afternoon had more to do with defense than tempo of the game.

Whatever it was, Noblesville got a much-needed victory after losing an over-time game to Fort Wayne South and a double overtime to Columbus East in tourney action on Tuesday.

“Our defense was good,” McCauley said. “When you play good defense that keeps possessions from the opposing team.”

McCauley liked the team strength that surfaced in the game. John Kiser and Corby Mertens each scored 14 points to lead the way.

“Mertens did a good job and so did Nick (Mills) said the coach. “Mills got the start because of the hard work he has been putting in. He played well today.”

Avon, which will be playing Noblesville in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game later in the season, stayed with the hosts, really, for one quarter. The Orioles outscored the Millers 14-13 in the opening frame. Noblesville took charge with a 14-7 run in the second quarter.

Kiser, who was named to the All-Tourney team, added 14 points to the 71 points he scored in the two games on Tuesday.

“We came close to having five players in double figures,” McCauley continued. “On defense we held Avon to 39 percent shooting.”

Noblesville came out of the tourney with only one win in three games, but the Millers gave two solid basketball teams, Ft. Wayne South and Columbus East, all they could handle.

The Millers now own a 5-4 record. This Saturday in The Mill they will play another opponent which played well in the tournament, Bloomington South.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

<div>Noblesville 53, Avon 39</div>					Ryan Ogden scored six points for Noblesville in its 53-39 win over Avon at the Millers' Holiday Tournament Wednesday at The Mill.										
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF	John Kiser	4-7	5-5	14	3	Blake Taylor	0-0	2-2	2	0	Noblesville 13 14 8 18 - 53
Nick Mills	3-6	0-0	6	2	Grant Bullard	3-5	1-1	7	1	Rico Duncan	0-0	0-0	0	0	Noblesville 3-point shooting (3-11) Mertens 2-3,
McGwire Plumer	2-3	0-0	4	3	Corby Mertens	5-6	2-2	14	0	Totals	19-36	12-13	53	13	Kiser 1-2, Ogden 0-3, Flinchum 0-2, Mills 0-1.
Ryan Ogden	2-5	2-3	6	1	Max Flinchum	0-3	0-0	0	2	Score by Quarters					Noblesville rebounds (20) Plumer 5, Ogden 3,
					Brandon Barthel	0-1	0-0	0	1	Avon	14	7	4	14 - 39	Kiser 3, Bullard 3, Mills 2, Taylor 1, team 3.

Noblesville Holiday Tournament results

Wednesday Results  
G7: Lawrence North 35, Bloomington South 32  
G8: FW South 104, Chesterton 87  
  
7th Place - Noblesville 53, Avon 39 (Kiser (N) 14 pts.)  
5th Place - Crown Point 83, Columbus East 66 (Gelon (CP) 28 pts.)  
Consolation - Bloomington South 61, Chesterton 51 (Lewis (Ch) 24 pts.)  
Championship - Lawrence North 98, FW South 67 (Easley (LN) 23 pts.)

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM  
John Kiser - Noblesville  
Rhyss Lewis - Chesterton  
Sasha Stefanovic - Crown Point  
Austin Boucher - FW South  
Parker Chitty - Columbus East  
Chance Coyle - Bloomington South  
Trejean Didier - FW South  
  
Most Outstanding Player: Kevin Easley, Jr. - Lawrence North



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# 'Blazers win Vincennes Lincoln Tournament

The University boys basketball team finished a fantastic week at the McDonalds Holiday Hoops Classic at Vincennes Lincoln by taking the championship trophy on Wednesday.

The Class 1A No. 8 Trailblazers beat 2A No. 4 Indianapolis Howe 64-53 in the evening final, running away from the Hornets in the third period. University out-scored Howe 18-5 in that quarter, breaking open what had been a close game. The Hornets led 14-13 after first period, with UHS ahead 31-30 at halftime.

Connor Holly scored 19 points and also handed out five assists. David Howard added 11 points, and Josh Watson drained three 3-pointers for nine points.

The 'Blazers are now 10-3, and will be off until Jan. 8 when they host 1A No. 10 Tindley.

University 64,  
Howe 51

University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Sam Nerney	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ethan Sickels	0-0	0-0	0	0
David Howard	3-5	5-6	11	1
Grant Schepers	0-0	0-0	0	0
Connor Holly	6-10	5-6	19	1
Josh Watson	3-6	0-0	9	3
Zach Hodgkin	2-2	2-4	6	2
Tyler Wott	0-0	0-0	0	0
Josh Alford	3-3	0-0	7	1



Photo submitted

The University boys basketball team upset Class 2A No. 4 Indianapolis Howe 64-53 to win the championship of the Vincennes Lincoln Tournament on Wednesday.

Emerson Halblieb	4-4	4-5	12	2	University	13	18	18	15	- 64
Ajay Wooden Jr.	0-0	0-0	0	0	Howe	14	16	5	16	- 53
Totals	21-30	16-21	64	10	University 3-point shooting:	(6-12)	Watson	3-6,		
Score by Quarters					Holly	2-5,	Alford	1-1.		
					University rebounds (12)	Howard	4,	Watson	3,	
					Halblieb	3,	Holly	1,	Hodgin	1.

## Fourth-place finish at Vincennes...

# Golden Eagles fall in double overtime

Playing one of their best games of the season, Guerin Catholic's boys basketball team lost a thrilling 77-74 overtime game to Danville in the third-place game of the McDonald's Holiday Hoops Classic at Vincennes Lincoln Wednesday night.

Ten first-quarter points by Christian Munson helped the Golden Eagles lead 19-18 after one quarter. A driving laying by Calen Cunningham gave GC their largest lead of the contest 33-27 before Jake Elliott connected on two of his team-high 20



Cunningham

points for Danville, sending the Warriors into the locker room down 4 points, 33-29. In the third quarter Danville scored three quick field goals before the Golden Eagles scored. Predominantly in the second half and two overtimes, the teams encountered an amazing ten ties and 24 lead changes.

Tied 62-62 at the end of regulation, Danville (8-3) held a 68-65 lead until Munson drilled only his second 3-pt. shot of the game with 1.8 seconds left to tie the game. But 3-11 field goal shooting in the extra two stanzas aided Danville to outscore GC 9-6 in the decisive second OT to earn the victory.

"Boy we played some good basketball tonight in stretches," said Coach Pete Smith. "Danville has a nice team and we had our chances to beat them. This has been

a good tournament experience for us. We're still not playing as well as I planned on us playing yet, but we're gain on it. 17 turn-overs though really hurt, and we have to reduce that number."

Munson notched his second-consecutive career high in his past two games, finishing with 31 points. Point guard Matthew Godfrey had 16 points, and sophomore post man Jack Hansen had his second double-double of the season with 10 points and 11 rebounds before fouling out with 3:11 left in the second OT. Smith said he and Cunningham were much-improved on the boards compared to the earlier games in the tournament.

Guerin Catholic (4-7) has the weekend off before heading to Marion to take on the Giants (5-3) next Tuesday.

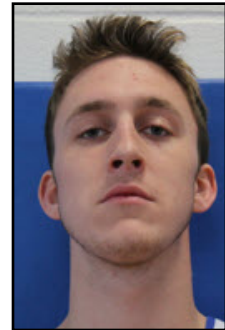
Danville 77,  
Guerin 74

double overtime

Guerin	FG	FT	TP	PF		
Christian Daniels	0-1	0-0	0	2		
Matthew Godfrey	6-11	0-0	16	2		
Christian Munson	10-22	9-11	31	3		
Jack Hansen	5-9	0-0	10	5		
Calen Cunningham	3-4	2-3	8	1		
Rhett Helt	4-10	1-1	9	0		
Joey Weas	0-0	0-0	0	2		
Grant Fremion	0-1	0-0	0	1		
Totals	28-58	12-15	74	16		
Score by Quarters						
Guerin	19	14	18	11	6	6 - 74
Danville	18	11	24	9	6	9 - 77
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (6-23)	Godfrey	4-9,	Munson	2-10,	Helt	0-4.
Guerin Catholic rebounds (34)	Hansen	11,	Cunningham	6,	Munson	5,
Helt	4,	Godfrey	4,	Daniels	1,	team 3.

## Carmel makes 23-4 fourth quarter run...

# 'Hounds take care of Anderson



Flamion



Brown

A huge fourth quarter propelled Carmel to a 69-45 victory over Anderson Wednesday.

The Greyhounds led 32-21 at halftime, but the Indians scored 20 points in the third quarter to cut Carmel's lead to 46-41. The 'Hounds then outscored Anderson 23-4 in the fourth period to get the easy win.

Preston Flamion and Sterling Brown both scored 14 points, and hit two 3-pointers. Flamion also grabbed nine rebounds, while Brown handed out six assists.

Carmel hosts Fishers on Saturday.

Sterling Brown	5-10	2-4	14	4
Trenton Richardson	3-6	2-4	8	2
Alex Falender	1-2	0-0	2	2
PJ Baron	4-7	1-2	9	2
Sam Oliphant	3-4	0-0	7	2
Ethan Merriweather	2-2	0-0	4	0
Britt Beery	3-3	0-0	6	0
Cole Jenkins	1-2	2-2	5	1
Wes Middleton	0-0	0-0	0	0
Kurt Rafdal	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	28-48	7-12	69	14
Score by Quarters				
Anderson	11	10	20	4 - 45
Carmel	19	13	14	23 - 69
Carmel 3-point shooting (6-11) Brown 2-4, Flamion 2-5, Jenkins 1-1, Oliphant 1-1, Baron 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (31) Flamion 9, Baron 5, Richardson 5, Beery 4, Brown 2, Falender 2, Jenkins 1, Middleton 1, Merriweather 1, Oliphant 1.				

Tigers fall to  
Centerville

Fishers lost to Centerville (Ohio) 52-46 Wednesday in the consolation game of the North Central Holiday Tournament.

The Tigers were led by Lance Dollison's 22 points. Tyler Wolfe added 8 points off the bench. Fishers is back in action again on Friday, traveling to Carmel.

Fishers did not  
report a boxscore

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Huskies finish 5th at Richmond....

# Heights ends with 2 wins

Hamilton Heights finished 5th in the 16-team Richmond Tourney by on Wednesday first knocking off Valparaiso 76-71 and then Connersville 52-46.

Coach Chad Ballenger's Huskies won three of four tourney games, losing only to Seton Catholic.

The win over Valparaiso was a barnburner with Heights outscoring Valpo 30-21 in the fourth quarter.

Sterling Weatherford hit 11-of-16 shots and scored 29 points to lead the Huskies. He drilled 5-of-5 shots from 3-point range.

Austin Sauerteig came off the bench to notch 14 points and Hunter Crist was the third Husky in double figures with 11 points.

Caymn Lutz added 9 points and also led Heights with 8 rebounds.

In the battle for 5<sup>th</sup> place with Connersville, Heights jumped to a 16-7 first quarter advantage but then had to defend against the Spartans the rest of the way. Connersville closed with a 16-9 fourth quarter run.

Weatherford stayed hot, this time scoring 17 points, and Crist was in double digits with 13 points.

The Huskies, now 9-5 overall, will return to action on Jan. 8, hosting Northwestern in a Hoosier Conference game and then on Jan. 9 will remain home to play Twin Lakes.

## Heights 76, Valparaiso 71

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Max Wahl	3-5	1-3	9	2
Caymn Lutz	4-10	1-2	9	1
Hunter Crist	2-6	7-7	11	3
Sterling Weatherford	11-16	2-3	29	1
Drake House	0-0	0-0	0	4
Dustin Williams	0-1	0-0	0	1
Tyler Wiltermood	2-3	0-0	4	4
Austin Sauerteig	3-5	5-7	14	2
Totals	25-46	16-21	76	18
Score by Quarters:				
Valparaiso	17	12	21	21
Heights	15	21	10	30
Heights 3-Pointers (10-15): Wahl 24, Crist 0-1, Weatherford 5-5, Williams 0-1, Sauerteig 3-4.				
Heights Rebounds (20): Lutz 8, Weatherford 6, Williams 1, Wiltermood 2, Sauerteig 3.				

## Heights 52, Connersville 46

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Max Wahl	2-3	1-2	5	2
Caymn Lutz	4-7	0-0	8	3
Hunter Crist	3-7	6-7	13	3
Sterling Weatherford	6-9	3-4	17	1
Drake House	1-2	0-0	2	1
Tyler Wiltermood	1-1	0-0	2	2
Austin Sauerteig	2-5	0-0	5	1
Totals	19-34	8-11	52	13
Score by Quarters:				
Connersville	7	12	11	16
Heights	16	9	18	9
Heights 3-Pointers (6-13): Wahl 1-2, Crist 1-3, Weatherford 3-4, House 0-1, Sauerteig 1-3.				
Heights Rebounds (16): Wahl 2, Lutz 2, Crist 1, Weatherford 7, House 1, Wiltermood 2, Sauerteig 1.				



Brian Reddick/File photo

Sterling Weatherford totaled 46 points for Hamilton Heights in its two games at the Richmond Tourney on Wednesday.

Another 19 points for Gunn...

# Royals split games at Huntington North Tournament



Miller

Hamilton Southeastern lost to a hot-shooting Huntington North team 61-56 Wednesday in the first of that day's two games for the Royals at the Columbia City/Huntington North Tournament.

Southeastern led 20-18 after the first quarter, but were outscored 30-12 in the middle two. The Royals finished the game on 24-13 run in the fourth period.

Zach Gunn scored 19 points and had nine rebounds. Greg Miller added nine points.

Southeastern beat South Bend Washington 76-57 in its second game of the day.

## Huntington North 61, Southeastern 56

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Austin Holzum	1-2	0-0	3	0
Greg Miller	3-5	3-4	9	2
J'Donavan Bemby	0-0	0-0	0	0
Conner Rotterman	1-10	2-2	5	5
Jack Davidson	1-5	0-0	2	0
Noah Smith	0-1	0-0	0	0
Brock Burns	0-0	0-0	0	0
Aaron Shank	0-0	0-0	0	2

Brennan Schofield	2-3	3-3	8	0
Zach Gunn	6-13	2-2	19	4
Totals	14-39	10-11	46	13

NOTE: Ten points are missing.  
Score by Quarters  
Southeastern 20 7 5 24 - 56  
Huntington 18 12 18 13 - 61  
Southeastern 3-point shooting (8-21) Gunn 5-10, Rotterman 1-5, Holzum 1-2, Schofield 1-1, Davidson 0-2, Miller 0-1.  
Southeastern rebounds (19) Gunn 9, Miller 4, Rotterman 2, Holzum 1, Davidson 1, Smith 1, Schofield 1.

HSE did not report a boxscore for the Washington game

Burtron leads with 8 points, 6 rebounds...

# 'Hawks fall to No. 1 Lapel

Sheridan lost to Lapel, the co-No. 1 team in Class 2A, 86-38 on Wednesday.



Burtron

The Blackhawks fell behind 26-6 after the first quarter and 43-15 at halftime. Weston Burtron led Sheridan with eight points and six rebounds. Nine different Blackhawk players scored, with Patrick Weitzel adding six points.

The 'Hawks travel to Tri-Central on Jan. 8 for a Hoosier Heartland Conference game.

## Lapel 86, Sheridan 38

Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jake Chesney	1-4	0-0	2	3
Taylor Ly	0-1	0-0	0	1
Drake Delph	1-2	2-7	5	3
Weston Burtron	4-5	0-0	8	3
Tommy Glidden	1-4	0-0	3	1
Jack Waitt	1-6	0-0	3	0
Aidan Roaten	2-3	0-0	4	2
Patrick Weitzel	3-6	0-0	6	1
Chris Roberts	2-7	0-0	4	2
Burnell	1-1	1-1	3	0
Swindle	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	16-39	3-8	38	17
Score by Quarters				
Sheridan	6	9	12	11
Lapel	26	17	24	19
Sheridan 3-point shooting (3-11) Waitt 1-5, Delph 1-2, Glidden 1-2, Roberts 0-2.				
Sheridan rebounds (17) Burtron 6, Delph 5, Weitzel 2, Glidden 1, Roaten 1, Roberts 1, Burnell 1.				

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Westfield moves to 16-1....

# Lady Shamrocks win tourney

Westfield Lady Shamrocks ran their season record to 16-1 and captured the Greenfield Central Holiday Tourney by on Wednesday first defeating Pendleton Heights 53-48 and then in the title game knocking off Greenfield Central 42-34.

A big 17-7 run in the third quarter of the Shamrocks game with Greenfield pushed Westfield into winning.

Abby Reeder led Westfield in scoring with 15 points and also in double figures was Allison VanDyke with 11 points.

Haliegh Reinoehl pulled in 14 Westfield rebounds.

VanDyke scored 17 points, Reeder notched 16 and Reinoehl added 11 points and scored a double-double with 10 rebounds in the Pendleton Heights game.

Coach Ginny Smith’s Shamrocks will return to action on Jan. 5 at Chatrd and then on Jan. 9 will revisit Greenfield Central for a matchup with the Cougars.

## Westfield 42, Greenfield 34

Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Haliegh Reinoehl	1-9	4-4	6	3
Morgan Clary	0-2	0-0	0	3
Sophia Kreig	0-1	0-0	0	0
Abby Reeder	4-9	4-4	15	2
Maddy Grennes	1-5	5-6	8	3
Allison VanDyke	4-9	2-2	11	4
Annaleise Drudge	0-1	2-4	2	1
Totals	10-36	17-20	42	16

Score by Quarters:  
Westfield 8 5 17 12 – 42  
Greenfield 10 3 7 14 – 34  
Westfield 3-Pointers (5-13): Reinoehl 0-1, Kreig 0-1, Reeder 3-6, Grennes 1-2, VanDyke 1-3.  
Westfield Rebounds (34): Reinoehl 14, Clary 2, Reeder 4, Grennes 6, VanDyke 3, Drudge 5,



Photo submitted

The Westfield girls basketball team won the Greenfield Central Holiday Tourney on Wednesday. The Shamrocks beat the host Cougars in the championship game 42-34.

## Westfield 53, Pendleton 48

Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Haliegh Reinoehl	3-11	5-6	11	1
Morgan Clary	1-2	0-1	2	4
Sophia Kreig	0-4	0-0	0	3
Abby Reeder	6-10	2-2	16	3
Maddy Grennes	1-8	0-0	2	2
Allison VanDyke	7-11	3-4	17	1

Annaleise 2-6 1-1 5 2  
Totals 20-52 11-12 53 16  
Score by Quarters:  
Westfield 7 16 15 15 – 53  
Pendleton 13 19 8 8 – 48  
Westfield 3-Pointers (2-14): Reinoehl 0-2, Clary 0-1, Kreig 0-3, Reeder 2-4, Grennes 0-4.  
Westfield Rebounds (28): Reinoehl 10, Clary 2, Kreig 2, Reeder 3, Grennes 1, VanDyke 8, Drudge 2.

Greyhounds 4-0 in tourney...

# Carmel snaps Bedford’s string

Carmel Lady Greyhounds completed its four game sweep of the Bedford North Lawrence Christmas by on Wednesday first defeating Jasper 61-29 and then Bedford North Lawrence 53-42.

In the Jasper game, Carmel held its opponents to double digit scoring in the first three quarter. Carmel wrapped up the victory by going on a 22-6 second quarter run.

Macy Berglund, coming off the bench, was the leading scorer for Coach Tod Windlan’s club with 12 points.

Carmel had a trio of double figure scorers against Bedford North Lawrence, led by Olivia Christy with 12 points. Emily Kmec notched 11 and Amy Dilk added 10 points.

The Lady Greyhounds hit 19-of-27 shots and 6-of-11 from 3-point range.

Dilk had 8 rebounds and 5 assists and Carrie Larson pulled 7 boards.

With the victory, Carmel snapped Bedford North Lawrence’s 45 game home winning streak.

Carmel ran its overall record to 14-3.

The Greyhounds will play a MIC Conference game at Center Grove on Jan. 8 and will travel to Homestead on Jan. 9.

## Carmel 61, Jasper 29

Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Olivia Christy	0-2	0-0	0	NA
Celene Funke	3-4	0-0	6	NA
Emily Kmec	3-8	0-0	6	NA
Andi Kwasniewski	1-2	0-0	3	NA
Amy Dilk	4-5	0-1	8	NA
Sophie Bair	0-2	0-0	0	NA
Molly Gillig	1-4	0-2	3	NA
Anna Kmec	0-1	1-2	1	NA
Blake Smith	0-3	0-0	0	NA



Photo submitted

Carmel’s girls basketball team won the Bedford North Lawrence Tournament on Wednesday. The Greyhounds beat host BNL in the championship game, breaking the Stars’ 45-game home winning streak.

Carrie Larson	2-3	0-0	5	NA
Natalie Nickless	1-4	0-0	3	NA
Reagan Hune	1-5	0-0	2	NA
Mackenzie Wood	2-3	0-0	4	NA
Madison Ferguson	2-5	2-2	8	NA
Macy Berglund	6-6	0-1	12	NA
Totals	26-57	3-8	61	NA

Score by Quarters:  
Carmel 9 22 16 14 – 61  
Jasper 5 6 5 13 – 29

Carmel 3-Pointers (6-21): Christy 0-1 Kmec 0-4, Kwasniewski 1-2, Bair 0-1, Gillig 1-3, Lason 11, Nickless 1-4, Ferguson 2-5.

## Carmel 53, Bedford 42

Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Olivia Christy	5-10	0-0	12	NA
Celene Funke	4-7	0-0	8	NA
Emily Kmec	3-7	2-4	11	NA

Andi Kwasniewski 0-1 2-2 2 NA  
Amy Dilk 4-6 2-5 10 NA  
Blake Smith 1-2 0-2 2 NA  
Carrie Larson 2-4 3-4 8 NA  
Totals 19-27 9-17 53 NA

Score by Quarters:  
Carmel 16 21 10 6 – 53  
Bedford 7 9 16 10 – 42  
Carmel 3-Pointers 6-11: Christy 2-4, Kmec 3-5, Larson 1-2.

After 3 overtimes....

# Lapel tops Sheridan



Welch

Two of the better small-enrollment school girls basketball teams in the area went head to head Wednesday and it took Lapel (12-4) three overtimes to defeat Sheridan (8-5).

The score was tied at 51-51 after four quarters before Lapel went on to post a 70-65 victory. Brittany Welch scored 29 points to lead Coach Jeff Guenther’s Blackhawks, while Audrey Reed notched 11 and Jillian O’Flaherty added 10.

Welch had a double-double, collecting 10 rebounds.

Sheridan’s next outing will be Jan. 2 when the Blackhawks travel to the Plainfield Tourney.

## Lapel 70, Sheridan 65

Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Morgan Leonard	1-2	0-0	3	1
Jillian O’Flaherty	3-6	2-2	10	3
Faith DeVaney	1-9	2-2	4	4
Cherysh Bishop	3-6	0-2	7	2
Audrey Reed	5-17	1-4	11	3
Brittany Welch	13-26	2-6	29	4
Totals	26-66	7-16	64	17

Score by Quarters:  
Lapel 8 10 18 15 5 4 10 – 70  
Sheridan 11 14 12 14 5 4 5 -- 65  
Sheridan 3-Pointers (5-16): Leonard 1-2, O’Flaherty 2-3, Bishop 1-2, Reed 0-5, Welch 1-4.  
Sheridan Rebounds (26): O’Flaherty 1, DeVaney 7, Bishop 1, Reed 6, Welch 11.

Round 2 today...

## HSE falls to New Albany, 40-29



Lloyd

Hamilton Southeastern couldn’t get past the opening round of the North Central Girls Tourney on Wednesday, losing to New Albany 40-29.

Coach Chirs Huppenthal’s Lady Royas will return today to play Springboro, Ohio in the consolation round. Sprigboro lost on Wednesday to North Central 61-54.

In a low scoring game, only Bre Lloyd scored in double figures for HSE. She netted 11 points.

## New Albany 40, Southeastern 29

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Malea Jackson	0-6	1-2	1	3
Bre Lloyd	5-15	1-2	11	3
Haydn Braun	1-5	0-0	3	0
Katie Myers	0-2	0-0	0	2
Olivia Kegley	0-3	0-0	0	2
Tayah Irvin	0-0	0-0	0	0
Kiki Sundling	0-0	0-0	0	0
Chelsea Maxey	0-0	0-2	0	1
Molly Walton	1-3	4-6	6	1
Amaya Hamilton	2-5	3-4	8	1
Kyndall Williams	0-4	0-0	0	0
Totals	9-43	9-16	29	17

Score by Quarters:  
Southeastern 7 11 7 4 – 29  
New Albany 13 8 4 15 – 40  
Southeastern 3-Pointers (2-12): Jackson 0-2, Lloyd 0-4, Braun 1-2, Myers 0-, Hamilton 1-2.  
Southeastern Rebounds (17): Jackson 4, Braun 2, Myers 1, Kegley 1, Irvin 1, Mo. Walton 1, Hamilton 5, Williams 2.



# NBA standings

<b>Wednesday's scores</b>		Portland 110, Denver 103
L.A. Clippers 122, Charlotte 117		Philadelphia 110, Sacramento 105
Orlando 100, Brooklyn 93		<b>Thursday's games</b>
L.A. Lakers 112, Boston 104		Milwaukee at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Toronto 94, Washington 91		Minnesota at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Chicago 102, Indiana 100		Golden State at Houston, 7 p.m.
Minnesota 94, Utah 80		L.A. Clippers at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Dallas 114, Golden State 91		Phoenix at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
San Antonio 112, Phoenix 79		Portland at Utah, 9 p.m.

Eastern Conference				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	20	13	.606	-
Boston	18	14	.563	1.5
New York	15	18	.455	5.0
Brooklyn	9	23	.281	10.5
Philadelphia	3	31	.088	17.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	21	9	.700	-
Chicago	18	12	.600	3.0
Indiana	18	13	.581	3.5
Detroit	17	15	.531	5.0
Milwaukee	12	21	.364	10.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	21	13	.618	-
Orlando	19	13	.594	1.0
Miami	18	13	.581	1.5
Charlotte	17	14	.548	2.5
Washington	14	16	.467	5.0

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Oklahoma City	22	10	.688	-
Utah	13	17	.433	8.0
Portland	14	20	.412	9.0
Minnesota	12	20	.375	10.0
Denver	12	21	.364	10.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	29	2	.935	-
L.A. Clippers	20	13	.606	10.0
Sacramento	12	20	.375	17.5
Phoenix	12	22	.353	18.5
L.A. Lakers	6	27	.182	24.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Antonio	28	6	.824	-
Dallas	19	13	.594	8.0
Memphis	18	16	.529	10.0
Houston	16	17	.485	11.5
New Orleans	10	21	.323	16.5

# Butler’s tip sends Bulls past Pacers

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS  
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For the second time this season, the Pacers and Bulls went down to the final possession in Chicago. And for the second time, the Pacers came out on the wrong end of a thrilling finish when the refs swallowed their whistles on a last-second shot attempt by Paul George, as Indiana (18-13) fell to Chicago (18-12) in overtime, 102-100.

Back on Nov. 16, George had a potential game-winning jumper blocked by Jimmy Butler at the buzzer in a 96-95 loss, though he thought he should have drawn a foul on the shot.

This time, Chase Budinger threw a lob to George on an inbounds play with the Pacers trailing by two with 1.2 seconds left. George's tip grazed off the rim as Butler contested the shot. Though there was contact between George and Butler in mid-air, there was no foul called, much to the dismay of an irate Frank Vogel.

Chicago had scored the first seven points in the extra period, but Indiana scored four straight after that and had the ball down three with a little over a minute remaining. Lavoy Allen tried to find George Hill in the corner for a three that would have tied the game once again, but Taj Gibson stole the ball and Aaron Brooks knocked down a step-back jumper on the other end to make it a two-possession game with 58.7 seconds to play.

After Solomon Hill knocked down two free throws to make it 100-97, the Pacers got a second chance to tie the game after Brooks threw the ball away on the ensuing possession.

Indiana swung the ball around the perimeter before Monta Ellis launched a 3-pointer from the right corner. Ellis' shot missed, but Hill came up with a spectacular

rebound and dished right back to Ellis, who this time buried the shot to tie the game with just 3.7 ticks left on the clock.

Ellis' heroics were quickly rendered moot, however, as the Bulls drew up an excellent play on the ensuing inbounds. Pau Gasol caught the ball in the high post and tossed a lob to Butler, who beat George to the basket to tip in what would prove to be the winning shot.

"It was a great play, perfectly executed by a great passer and a great lob threat," Vogel told the media after the game. "Give them credit. Heck of a play."

George Hill led five Pacers in double figures with 20 points on 8-of-15 shooting and seven rebounds. George added 19 points, five rebounds, and four assists.

Butler had 28 points for the Bulls, but it was Aaron Brooks who led all scorers, finishing with a season-high 29 points off the bench on 11-of-20 shooting.

The Bulls led by 10 at halftime and then scored the first four points of the third quarter to push their lead to 14. But the Pacers immediately responded, reeling off a 19-4 run over the next six minutes to surge back in front.

The two teams traded punches into the fourth quarter and Chicago actually led 75-70 with 8:02 to play when Indiana went on another spurt. George hit two 3-pointers as the Blue & Gold scored 12 unanswered points to go in front by seven.

But the Bulls had a run of their own in them. Chicago reeled off a 9-2 run that culminated with a 3-pointer from Butler bouncing in with 35.9 seconds left to tie the game at 89.

Vogel called a quick timeout after Butler's basket and drew up a play that put the ball in the hands of veteran guard Ellis. Ellis took the ensuing inbound and drove

straight to the hole for a layup that put Indiana back in front with 31.3 seconds to play.

Bulls coach Fred Hoiberg followed suit, taking a time-out of his own and then giving the ball to Butler, who went right to the rim to tie the game once again with 25 seconds left.

With just a one-second differential between the game clock and the shot clock, the Pacers tried to hold for the last shot. They got a look, but Ellis' deep 3-pointer missed left as the buzzer sounded.

Despite the loss, Pacers fans were no doubt encouraged by the play of rookie center Myles Turner. Returning to the court for the first time since fracturing his left thumb on Nov. 11 in Boston, Turner had eight points, five rebounds, and three blocks in 21:30.

""He looked good," Vogel said. "He impacted the game with some shot-blocking, knocked down some jumpers. He looked a little rusty — not just offensively but defensively — which is fully to be expected, but the kid played with a lot of heart."

Turner's role became more important when starting center Ian Mahinmi left the game in the third quarter with a sore left knee. Indiana was already without backup big man Jordan Hill, who had dental work done on his wisdom tooth on Wednesday, and second-leading scorer C.J. Miles, sitting out his second straight game with a sore lower back.

The Bulls played without starting point guard and former MVP Derrick Rose, who was a late scratch due to hamstring tendinitis.

The Blue & Gold don't even have 24 hours to get over this loss, as they return to action at 6:00 PM on Thursday night, hosting another Central Division rival, the Milwaukee Bucks.

# TIGERS

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Boys 1 mtr Diving  
1, VanDevender, Cole J, FISH, 234.90. 2, Fordham, Liam E, FISH, 190.15.  
Girls 100 Yard Butterfly  
8, Nusbaum, Amilia L, FISH, 1:01.17. 9, Pfeifer, Lizzy G, FISH, 1:01.57.. 11, Rueff, Nicole A, FISH, 1:02.46. 12, Ingram, Kayce L, FISH, 1:03.29.  
Boys 100 Yard Butterfly  
2, Stallworth, Drake T, FISH, 53.36. 6, lwase, Jota K, FISH, 55.59. 9, Moser, Joe W, FISH, 56.78. 17, Feuerstine, Kyle B, FISH, 59.63.  
Girls 100 Yard Freestyle  
1, Parrish, Lauryn L, FISH, 52.06. 13, Roehrdanz, Emma L, FISH, 57.48. 20, Robeson, Kara B, FISH, 58.94. 21, Stensland, Sarah C, FISH, 58.99.  
Boys 100 Yard Freestyle  
9, Crull, Joel M, FISH, 51.25. 10, Wai, Shinya L, FISH, 52.50. 15, Willis, Alex S, FISH, 53.88. 18, Goolsby, Christopher W, FISH, 55.28.  
Girls 500 Yard Freestyle  
3, Booth, Morgan A, FISH, 5:12.92. 5, Peskin, Elisabeth A, FISH, 5:16.83. 7, Schneider, Carissa G, FISH, 5:20.77. 13, Hietpas, Sam M, FISH, 5:32.05.  
Boys 500 Yard Freestyle  
5, Reichert, Jacob R, FISH, 4:52.45. 7, Dewaelsche, Peyton A, FISH, 4:57.43. 8, Kuhn, Sam A, FISH, 4:58.02. 9, Harris, Nick W, FISH, 4:58.50.  
Girls 200 Yard Freestyle Relay  
3, Fishers HS 'A' (Jahns, Maggie L 17, Pfeifer, Lizzy G 17, Edelman, Lauren B 16, Parrish, Lauryn L 16), 1:39.59. 6, Fishers HS 'B' (Wai, Miya C 15, Rueff, Nicole A 14, Sperring, Ally L 16, Nusbaum, Amilia L 15), 1:45.83.  
Boys 200 Yard Freestyle Relay  
4, Fishers HS 'A' (lwase, Jota K 15, Moser, Joe W 16, Stallworth, Drake T 14, Crull, Joel M 16), 1:30.81.  
9, Fishers HS 'B' (Adcock, Trevor M 14, Richmond, Tyler D 17, Jordan, Harrison K 15, Dewaelsche, Peyton A 16),  
Girls 100 Yard Backstroke  
1, Edelman, Lauren B, FISH, 59.14. 2, Jahns, Maggie L, FISH, 59.20. 9, Cochran, Zoe E, FISH, 1:03.24. 13, Kennedy, Savannah J, FISH, 1:04.21.  
Boys 100 Yard Backstroke  
5, Kuhn, Sam A, FISH, 58.88. 9, Jordan, Harrison K, FISH, 59.69. 10, Richmond, Tyler D, FISH, 59.70. 14, Harris, Nick W, FISH, 1:00.92.  
Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke  
7, Sperring, Ally L, FISH, 1:10.57. 10, Wai, Miya C, FISH, 1:11.63. 13, Ingram, Kayce L, FISH, 1:12.84. 16, Gruver, Katie L, FISH, 1:14.89. 17,  
Boys 100 Yard Breaststroke  
4, Ingram, Luke B, FISH, 1:01.27. 13, Baldwin, Noah J, FISH, 1:07.22. 15, Jacocks, Cory M, FISH, 1:07.79. 16, Wai, Shinya L, FISH, 1:08.58.  
Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay  
5, Fishers HS 'A' (Nusbaum, Amilia L 15, Roehrdanz, Emma L 17, Schneider, Carissa G 16, Edelman, Lauren B 16), 3:45.04. 7, Fishers HS 'B' (Kennedy, Savannah J 15, Peskin, Elisabeth A 17, Wai, Miya C 15, Booth, Morgan A 14), 3:51.30

Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay  
7, Fishers HS 'B' (Kuhn, Sam A 15, Harris, Nick W 15, Dewaelsche, Peyton A 16, Baldwin, Noah J 16), 3:33.36.  
Women - Team Rankings  
1, Chesterton High School, 707. 2, Fishers HS, 578.5. 3, Franklin Community HS, 475. 4, Carroll High School, 454.5. 5,

North Central High School Swim, 366.5. 6, Brownsburg High School, 86. 7, Warren Central High School, 14.5.  
Men - Team Rankings  
1, Chesterton High School, 648. 2, Carroll High School, 594. 3, Fishers HS, 493. 4, Franklin Community HS, 326. 5, North Central High School Swim, 274. 6, Warren Central High School, 189. 7, Brownsburg High School, 131.

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