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Fishers murder suspect requests guilty plea hearing



Noblesville attorney Bruce Boje has filed a request for a guilty plea hearing for a Hamilton Southeastern student Maxwell Winkler.

Winkler was arrested and charged with murder in 2014 after police say he slashed

the throat and shot 73 year old Henry Kim in Fishers' Windermere Park.

During the investigation police found handwritten notes in Winkler's wallet outlining his plan to kill.

The notes outlined a seven step plan that included "selecting prey, enjoy the kill, shoot twice and slit throat."

Boje serves as local counsel for Winkler's high profile defense team led by Indianapolis attorney James Voyles.

The Hamilton County Prosecutor's office issued a statement on December 22 that stated, "Through his counsel, Maxwell Hunt Winkler has requested that his case be set for a hearing to change his plea. The cause had been set for a jury trial to begin on January 19, 2016. The Defendant has requested the hearing be held on January 7, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. Further details will be neither provided nor discussed until the hearing has been held."

Shortly after Winkler's arrest prosecutors filed a sentencing enhancement asking for life in prison without the possibility of parole if found guilty.

Winkler's attorneys planned to use an insanity defense; however, Hamilton County Superior Court Judge William Hughes ruled Winkler was competent to stand trial after experts testified that Winkler has mental disorders, but understands the consequences of the trial and his legal options.

Pat Fox to retire as Riverview Health's CEO

Riverview Health today announced that long-time President and CEO, Pat Fox, will retire in May 2016. Ms. Fox's retirement is the capstone to a 45-year career serving the healthcare needs of people and their families across Illinois and Indiana.

"Pat Fox has had a tremendous impact on Riverview Health, courageously leading us through many transitions in healthcare over the last two decades," said Greg Murray, Riverview Health Board of Trustees Chairman. "We're thankful for her countless contributions to our organization and we're proud of her distinguished tenure as president and CEO.'

"The highlight of my career has been serving the people of Hamilton County and working alongside so many talented healthcare professionals," said Fox. "Together, we have transformed healthcare in Indiana. The time has now come for me to pass the torch to the next generation of leaders and enjoy watching this organization continue to flourish."

An external search is underway for Ms. Fox's successor, and a 6-person selection committee has been formed to help ensure a smooth transition. Between now and her retirement, Ms. Fox will continue to lead initiatives, including implementation of an integrated IT system, the completion of two medical office buildings in Westfield and Noblesville, and the renovation of the inpatient rehabilitation unit at the hospital.

Foundation gifts \$500K to **Riverview Health**



Riverview Health Foundation presents \$500,000 check to Riverview Health. From left to right: Chuck Goodrich, Riverview Health Foundation Chairman; Pat Fox, Riverview Health President and CEO; Greg Murray, Riverview Health Board of Trustees Chairman.



Megan Wiles

Board of Directors recently Riverview Health with a check for \$500,000 to support the purchase of a new large-bore MRI machine,

Foundation and its

the renovation of the

hospital's atrium and several other projects. This is the 10th consecutive year Riverview

Riverview Health Foundation has gifted \$500,000 or experience through philanthropic efforts

more to Riverview Health. "As the philanthropic arm of Riverview presented Health, we are grateful for the opportunity to contribute money toward building healthy lives together," said Megan Wiles, Riverview Health Foundation executive programs for patients. The Foundation will director. "None of this would be possible without the support of the community and our generous donors."

In 2016, Riverview Health Foundation will celebrate its 40th anniversary of supporting Riverview Health and enhancing patient

and fundraising. The Foundation has gifted more than \$12 million to Riverview Health for building projects—such as the Women's Pavilion and Emergency Center— as well as equipment and celebrate these accomplishments at the 40th Anniversary Gala on Saturday, Sept.

Langley appointed Deputy Mayor

efficiencies and ideas."



Christy Langley

Langley as his new mayor, effective January 1, 2016. Langley will continue to serve as acting planning until her director replacement can be

has selected Christy

hired. "Christy is smart, articulate, very dedicated, has established relationships within the city and elected officials and is well respected," said Ditslear. "I know this role will present her with new challenges

Mayor John Ditslear and her analytical mind will provide new the same vision for the Noblesville

Langley replaces Mike Hendricks, who was named the city controller and will spearhead the new financial setup within Noblesville government as it moves to a Second Class City.

"With her experience in the planning and economic development departments, Christy will bring fresh ideas and a new perspective to the role of deputy mayor," Ditslear said. "I have a strong team of leaders and look forward to seeing the city move forward with continued successes."

In her new role, Langley will assist the mayor in making sure all departments are functioning together and working toward

community. She'll also assist with managing daily operations and fill in for the

mayor when needed. "This opportunity allows me to continue to help others by assisting staff in finding creative solutions to not only make Noblesville better but to also enhance what is already great about it. I have a desire to assist others - whether that be staff, administration and council or the general citizenry – and I am excited as to how I can be of value to these individuals," Langley

Before taking over the planning department, Langley served as the assistant

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State Road 37 Corridor north....

Hopefully answers are coming



By DON JELLISON

Each time I talked with someone who Road State happening.

What I've tried to research is what some label as Phase II. me that anything left over from that pot will That's funding, mostly local funding, for go to Noblesville. When? For what? How improvements on SR 37 north of 146th much?

What is happening from 146th Street south seems somewhat clear. The following intersections will be upgraded for I'm sure knows what roundabout interchanges at the following is going on with the streets: 126th, 131st, 141st and 146th.

The State of Indiana (INDOT) has agreed Corridor project I to provide \$100,000,000 in state funding come away more and and another \$24,000,000 matched by more unsure what is Hamilton County and Fishers, \$12,000,000

each. Some people who should know have told

The negotiating of Phase II is an agreement between Hamilton County, Noblesville and Fishers. Don't expect any of the \$100 million from the state will be left over for Phase II. The \$24 million contributed from Fishers and Hamilton

See 37 Corridor...



Donna May Earlywine

January 3, 1959 - December 26, 2015

Donna May Earlywine, 56, Noblesville, passed away Saturday, December 26, 2015,

at Riverwalk Village in Noblesville following an extended illness. She was born on January 3, 1959, in Anderson, Indiana to Virgil and Jean (Elsten) Earlywine.

She graduated from Noblesville High School in 1978.

Donna had worked for many years at Summer Trace Nursing

She was an avid Bingo and poker player and enjoyed spending

time with her family. She was on the dive team in high school and had been involved in a bowling league. One of her dearest passions was cooking for her family. She is survived by two sons, James Earlywine and Scott (wife, Cati) Earlywine both

of Noblesville; six grandchildren, Tristen, Ellen, Mathew, Carden, Rita, and Gracie; two sisters, Cindy (husband, Otis) Sutton and Barbara Wright both of Noblesville; her step-mother, Esta Earlywine; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and two sisters, Patricia Hazelbaker and Carol Isnehower.

A memorial service was held Sunday, January 3, 2016, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home in Lapel. Burial will follow in Brookside Cemetery, Lapel.

Visitation was Sunday, January 3, 2016, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home, Lapel. Online condolences: www.hersbergerfuneralhome.com

Joan A. Mitchell

January 26, 1930 - December 27, 2015

Joan A. Mitchell, 85, of Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, December 27, 2015 at Riverwalk Village in Noblesville. She was born on January 26, 1930

to Ora and Gertrude (Collier) Stewart in Martinsville, Indiana. Joan was retired from Deluxe Check Printers after 31 years of service. She was a member of the Signa Corp German Club Choir in

Indianapolis, and enjoyed quilting, crocheting and making stained She is survived by her daughter, Sheila A. (Mike) McLane; her son, Rick Stanley; grandchildren, Susie Steele, Todd Stanley and

Cameron McLane; and two great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Walter L.

Mitchell who passed away in 1994; grandson, Mike McLane II in 2001; two brothers; and

Services were held on Thursday, December 31, 2015, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville, with visitation prior to the service. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiated. Burial was at South Park Cemetery in Martinsville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 50 East 91st Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

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director of economic development from 2007-2011. Before coming to Noblesville Langley carried out a year of service with the Neighborhood Planning Department in Sarasota County, Florida. She also currently serves as adjunct faculty with Ball State University's College of Architecture & Planning and Indiana University's School of Public & Environmental Affairs where she received her Bachelor of Urban Planning Development and MPA degrees respectively. Langley also was highlighted in the Indianapolis Business Journal's Forty Under 40 list in 2014.

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Thomas Paul Gunn

March 12, 1927 - December 26, 2015

Thomas Paul Gunn, 88, of Westfield, passed away on Saturday, December 26, 2015 in Westfield, Indiana. He was born March 12, 1927 in Lebanon, IN to Hershal and Elsie(Hoover) Gunn. Thomas married Maurine(Simmons)Gunn on May 12, 1951 in Lebanon, IN. She preceded him in death on March 22, 2011.

He is survived by two sons: Donnie(Peggy) Gunn, Noblesville; Gary Gunn, also of Noblesville. 3 grandchildren: Todd(Kim) Gunn; Shawn Gunn; and Ryan(Brandi) Gunn and 5 great-grandchildren.

He had served in the Navy from 1945 until 1946. Mr. Gunn retired from Delco Remy after 31 years of service.

Services were held Wednesday, December 30, 2015 at Hamilton Memorial, Westfield, IN. where friends and family gathered prior to the time of services. Pastor Tim Winford officiated Mr. Gunn's services. Burial followeds at Summitt Lawn Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at fisherfunerals.com.

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The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights as to Brantley Wasson. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are hereby **ORDERED** to serve upon Jill Marsee, Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Children Services, 600 Hearthwood Court, Cookeville, Tennessee 38506, (931) 646-3010, an Answer to the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Tennessee Department of Children Services, within five (5) days of the last day of publication of this notice, and pursuant to Rule 39(e)(1) of the Tenn. R. Juv. P. you must also appear in the Juvenile Court of Cumberland County, Tennessee at Crossville, Tennessee on the 24th day of February, 2016, at 8:30 a.m., for the Hearing on the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights by the State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services If you fail to do so, a default judgment will be taken against you pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-1-117(n) and Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P. for the relief demanded in the Petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, Crossville, Tennessee.

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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.

Joanne D. Egbert

January 5, 1930 - December 28, 2015

Joanne D. Egbert, 85, of Fishers, passed away on Monday, December 28, 2015 at her home. She was born on January 5, 1930 to George and Lillian (Caner) Hagland in Lansing, Michigan.

Joanne was a loving wife, mother, military spouse, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was an active member in the military community, volunteered her time in many activities, and supported children and families of the deployed.

She is survived by her daughter, Lt. Colonel Julie Marie Gray, U.S. Army Retired; two sons, Lt. Colonel Daniel James Egbert, U.S. Army Retired, and Colonel David Louis Egbert, U.S. Army Retired; eight grandchildren; and two

great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Joanne was preceded in death by her husband, Colonel George Louis Egbert Jr., U.S. Army Retired, on September 11, 2012.

Services were held at on Saturday, January 2, 2016, at St. Louis de Montfort Catholic Church in Fishers, with visitation prior to the time of service. Rev. Patrick Click offici-

Memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, PO BOX 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

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Happy **New Year** From the staff of the **Hamilton County** Reporter

Daisy Mae Davidson

May 1, 1927 - December 30, 2015

Daisy Mae Davidson, 88, Lapel, passed away Wednesday, December 30, 2015, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville following a brief illness.

She was born on May 1, 1927, in Clarkrange, Tennessee to George and Catherine (Young) Todd.

Daisy retired in 1987 from the former Noblesville Healthcare

She was a member of the Ford Street United Methodist Church. She is survived by seven children, William (wife, Linda) Flana-

gare of Aurora, IL, Larry Poore of Harriman, TN, Ronnie (wife, Mary) McCollum of Las Vegas, NV, Kathy Wilson of Crossville, TN, Starla (husband, Andy) Griffin of Anderson and Rick McCollum of

Lapel; seventeen grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Charlie Davidson; one son, Tom McCollum; six brothers; and five sisters.

A funeral service was held Saturday, January 2, 2016, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home in Lapel with Pastor Stephen Holdzkom officiating. Burial followed in Brookside Cemetery, Lapel.

Visitation was Saturday, January 2, 2016, at Scott E. Hersberger Funeral Home, Lapel. Memorial contributions may be made to Ford Street United Methodist Church Phase Two Building Fund, P. O. Box 626, Lapel, Indiana 46051-0626.

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Test your knowledge of Hamilton County history



By FRED SWIFT On January 1 Indiana began its Bicentennial year, celebrating 200 years of statehood.

During 2016 a lot of historical information will be printed and broadcast. Hamilton County has its share of

significant Hoosier history.

So, to prepare yourself, see if you can correctly answer the following 12 questions. The answers which appear elsewhere in today's Reporter will no doubt be seen again during the year as highlights of the state's history are reviewed.

You can get the jump on these facts by answering this history quiz:

1. What famous American pre-Civil War route operated through Hamilton County?

- 2. What is the name of the oldest American vehicle dealership, and still operating in the county?
- 3. What was the name of the tragic figure who married William Conner, the county's first settler?
- 4. Three railroads once operated in the county, greatly aiding the development of commerce in the late 19th and early 20th century. Name them.
- 5. The Courthouse Square was donated to the public to be used only for the seat of county government. Who was the donor?
- 6. What U.S. president enjoyed bird hunting during presidential visits to the Adams Township area?
- 7. Who was convicted of murder in a sensational 1925 nationally publicized trial in Noblesville?
- 8. How many townships make up Hamilton County?

briefly considered in 1820 as the site for Indiana's state capital?

- 10. Most folks think of the county as lying in the north half of the state, but a portion of the county south of what street is actually in southern Indiana?
- 11. Indiana has more Carnegie libraries than any other state, and Hamilton County along with Lake County, has more than any other Indiana county, five in all.
- In which local communities are they located? 12. One of Indiana's earliest paths of migration for early settlers crossed Hamilton County. What is its name?

Hamilton County History Quiz Answers 1. The Underground Railroad which ran through Clay, Washington and Adams Twps. 2. Hare Chevrolet founded in 1847

in Noblesville. 3. Mckinges, a Delaware

9. What county community was once Indian, first wife of William Conner, was relocated with her tribal people to the Kansas Territory. 4. Nickel Plate, Monon and Midland. 5. William Conner with consent of Noblesville co-founder Josiah Polk. 6. Benjamin Harrison whose home was in Indianapolis. 7. D.C. Stephenson, grand dragon of the powerful Indiana Ku Klux Klan. 8. Nine: Adams, Jackson, White River, Washington, Noblesville, Wayne, Clay, Delaware and Fall Creek. Strawtown. 10.116th Street is the approximate north-south dividing line of the state. 11. Atlanta, Carmel, Noblesville, Sheridan and Westfield. All the original buildings are still standing although only Atlanta's still serves as a library. 12. The Lafayette Trace which runs generally east to west through northern Hamilton County.

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 light 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!

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Sheridan High School Speech and Debate

against hundreds of students from across Indiana. Students can compete in debate events including: Public Forum, Lincoln

By SHERIDAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT JOSIE DEVANEY You may not have heard of Sheridan's Speech and Debate team, however they do exist. The team was created in 2011, upon request by the Class of 2015, who were freshmen at the time. The team is coached by Mrs. Lisa Sarjeant and Mrs. Lynn Werckenthien. Both are English teachers at Sheridan Middle School. Their season usually begins toward the end of October and ends in January. Any student in grades 9-12 can join the team at any time of the season. The team competes around the state

Douglas, World Schools Debate, and Policy Debate. The debate most of you may be familiar with includes two partners that are pro or con for a resolution and they present facts and statements until a judge decides the winner. Other speech events include: Interpretation, Impromptu, Discussion, Original Oratory, and more. Original Oratories are written pieces that can be performed or read in front of a judge. The judges score based on the content and presenting skills.

At Ben Davis High School on December 5, the team participated in a competition lasting over 12 hours, with over 400 students entered. Juniors Catherine Gibson and Haylie Turpin placed twelfth in Scripted Duo, and senior Hannah Rose placed tenth in Original Performance. Members of the team can choose which events they wish to participate in and can attend events even if they aren't entered. After each tournament, the team's bus driver, Bob Clayton, drives the team to the restaurant of their choice, which is typically McAlister's.

Being a member of the team benefits students. Team coach, Mrs. Lisa Sarjeant said, "Over the years I've seen shy students turn into polished speakers. It builds confidence and communication skills that will prepare the kids for anything." Team events include the annual Christmas party and the Secret Santa gift exchange which takes place the entire month of December, leading up to Christmas. There is also an annual chicken noodle dinner which took place this year on December 18 in the Sheridan High School cafeteria to raise funds for the team's overnight trip to Floyd Central they will take next year.

This past year the team became a charter member of the National Speech and Debate Association. Charter membership is the highest honor granted to schools in the National Speech and Debate Association. It represents sustained commitment to speech and debate excellence. To earn charter status, schools must have enrolled at least 50 new student members of NSDA in three years.

What started as a team of 12 has grown to be a team of 25, made up of SHS students of every age. It teaches students to utilize skills such as: critical thinking, research, presentation, and analysis. Being a second year speech competitor, participating in discussion, I've noticed a considerable enhancement in my critical thinking and speaking skills. Discussion is all about speaking your opinion and being able to build off of what others say, and without being a part of the Speech and Debate team I would not have discovered these skills. Sophomore Hannah Clark spoke about her team membership and said, "It's a great opportunity to meet and make new friends. I always look forward to talking to competitors from other schools and learning about their events." Another sophomore team member, Sydney Beechboard, said, "It's fun, and it's kinda just a great experience. I love getting to interact with the varieties of people that participate in it." Senior member Allie Hopkins stated that, "My favorite memories from high school are from the speech and debate team. This team is my family." Former discussioner, Elliott Barker, Class of 2015 said, "It has made a huge impact on my life. Without it I would never have become the confident speaker I am now."

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Stairway to chaos



By JANET HART LEONARD

It was our annual Christmas picture of the grandmunchkins on the

They know the drill. Sit on the stairway from youngest to oldest. The kids are 3, 5, 10, 12, 17 and 18.

This year was a challenge.

We had to wake up eighteen year old Matthew. I told three year old Leah to go wake him up. Then I told ten year old Jake to wake him up. Then I woke him up.

Then began the "fun" of lining up six kids. I went from sounding like a sweet Grandma to an Army drill sergeant.

Leah doesn't like to be the baby. Jake makes funny faces. Matt gives Alecksa bunny ears. Aiden wants to sit beside Jake. Abby . Leah gets up as the camera clicks. Somebody needed to go potty.

Take one. Take five. Take nine. I'm taking pictures. Emily is taking pictures. Angie is taking pictures. Finally, Angie got the best picture so she texts it to me. How can something so simple, be so difficult?

Seriously, it was like herding cats.

I love Kodak moments. Every year I give each family an album of pictures that I have taken over the past year. They love it. It's a gift that they look forward to receiving. The parents see moments that I was able to capture when the grandmunchkins were with GrandChuck and me. Even the parents show up in a few pictures. Of course there are pictures of my Mom that I tuck in the albums. These are treasured moments.

Capturing these moments isn't too difficult, two kids at a time or even four at a time. But with SIX of them...you get Chaos!

37 Corridor...

From Page 1

Street and at Greenfield Avenue.

In addition to that, Fishers will chip in an additional \$4.5 million and Hamilton County will contribute an additional \$4.5

Noblesville is being asked to contribute eastern end would be Pleasant Street. \$16.5 million.

That seems to be the key at this point. First, does Noblesville have the money, and second, does Noblesville want to improve Pleasant Street and Greenfield Avenue?

The answer, it would appear, must come from Noblesville Mayor John Ditslear. The answer, it would appear, must come from Ditslear's recently seated City Council.

It seems a no-brainer that Noblesville would want to build roundabout interchanges at Pleasant and Greenfield, thus, connecting Noblesville with Fishers for traffic free travel from Noblesville through Fishers.

The 37 Corridor is what travelers on the east side of the county have pleaded for

willing to join?

There's a little more to this for Noblesville. One would think that a roundabout interchange at Pleasant Street will lead for

County will help Noblesville build the longsought bypass of the downtown area roundabout interchanges at the Pleasant of Noblesville. A bypass talked about for, yes, 50 years.

> Hamilton County is willing to build a bridge over White River, coming into the city on Pleasant Street. That would be the western end of the bypass into the city. The

> Noblesville then would need to rebuild Pleasant Street from the bridge to the roundabout interchange on State Road 37.

> Would this help with the overflow traffic going east and west through Noblesville's downtown daily?

> A survey recently paid for by Hamilton Count and by Noblesville said it will. In fact, the survey listed no alternative.

> We'll likely to get our answers from two sources. One, you can bet upcoming City Council meetings will be very interesting. Two, Hamilton County Commissioner Steve Dillinger later this month will give his annual State of the County address to the Noblesville Chamber.

If you really want to know what is happening, upcoming Council meetings and The question being is Noblesville ready and Dillinger's Chamber address should be on your sure-to-attend list.

"At daybreak, when loth to rise, bear this thought in mind: I am rising for a man's

work" Marcus Aurelious, c. 170



By SHARON MCMAHON, CNWC

I am anticipating that of course Marcus is referring to humankind and not just men in his commentary – actually he probably was referring to men only but we will ignore that! This quote reminds us of the importance of continuing a life work even though retired, and how necessary it is for us to rise to that work every day. Now that I am approaching two years in "retirement" I was contemplating how much the same or different that has been than I originally thought.

After 42 years of professional employment, it was with trepidation that I entered the retirement scene - similar I would think to stepping out onto another planet! approaching retirement I wondered exactly what kind of adventure lay before me... Would I sleep in every morning? Catch up on reading the myriad of books and magazines which have been patiently awaiting my "spare time?" Travel extensively? Would I carpool grandchildren around to all their many activities? (Actually this option never really made it to the list!) Maybe I would get into the best physical shape of my life now that I had so much "free" time to devote? Well, as many of you may know who have had similar situations my "retirement" has not been very retiring! Managing an organization consulting business along with teaching fitness classes and nutrition seminars, as well as writing for publications and serving as an officer in the DAR organization have taken much of my time though fortunately allowing for volunteer activities and quality time with family and our pets!

As many of us "baby boomers" are recently retired or planning to retire from our lifelong professions or jobs, I hope that you will resist any temptation to spend much time in the recliner or on the sofa and look around to see how you can benefit from pursuing goals and interests which will keep you healthier, more active, and more engaged in your communities. Some of those activities may be income-generating and some will not, either option or a balance will benefit you. You may wish to take classes or use your skills and expertise to teach classes; spend time with young children or the not-so-young; volunteer at the Humane Society to help them socialize the pets up for adoption; look for volunteer opportunities at your church or synagogue; or perhaps even work part-time trying something new and different. Reflect on the goals and excitement of your youth. Find a photo of yourself when you were young – 7, 12, 15 – whenever you were joyful and excited about the world, and place that photo in a frame where you will see it often and be reminded that you are still that person who can pursue what you once dreamed.

I will remind you that the first item on your list should be a full physical if you have not had one recently. Take care of any acute or chronic issues which you may be facing. With your physician's approval streamline your eating plan, get rid of sugar and processed food items, improve your strength and flexibility, and challenge your mind and intellect. Remember, life IS work, continue the work of life every day and you will receive the benefit of a life well-nourished and well-lived. Just as every day is new with the sunrise, let us greet a New Year with optimism, resourcefulness, and joy!

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Hall of Fame Classic...

Lady Millers blast BC, fall to Princeton

By RICHIE HALL

Reporter Sports Editor

Playing at the City Securities Hall of Fame Classic is always an honor, and at the same time can be an eye-opening experi-

That was the case for the Noblesville girls Tuesday at the famed New Castle Fieldhouse. The Millers easily took care of Benton Central - the third ranked team in Class 3A, 72-40 in the first semi-final of the Hall of Fame. That set up a clash with Princeton, 3A's No. 1 team, and Noblesville fought the Tigers to the end.

But Princeton, along with its superstar senior Jackie Young, won the championship 63-56. The Tigers are last year's 3A state champions and are riding a 43-game win streak. The Millers, meanwhile, dropped to 16-4.

"I think it was great for our kids," said NHS coach Donna Buckley. The coach said it was good for the Millers' younger players to be able to see what it was like to experience playing in such a big-time, prestigious tournament, saying it was "great for us to be able to come over and see: 'What does it take to be one of the elites in the state?""

"I think our kids really stepped up and answered that today," said Buckley.

Noblesville hung with Princeton the entire game, but it seemed like the Tigers were able to go on a run of six or seven example of this was in the first quarter.

The Millers led for a significant part of the period, with 3-pointers by Rachel Shipman and Katelyn O'Reilly giving Noblesville the lead. Brooke Herron threw in a '3' to extend a Miller lead to 15-11.

Noblesville still led 17-14 with less than a minute to go in the first, but six unanswered Princeton points - all from the free throw line - got the Tigers ahead 20-17 just 19 seconds into the second period.

The Tigers led 30-25 at one point during less for the final four-and-a-half minutes of



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

points whenever they fell behind. The first Noblesville's Alexis Shannon (left) and Katelyn O'Reilly were both named to the All-Tournament Team after the championship game of the City Securities Hall of Fame Classic Tuesday at the New Castle Fieldhouse. The Millers beat Benton Central 72-40 in the semi-final before falling to Princeton 63-56 in the championship.

Alexis Shannon and a putback from ers off. O'Reilly got Noblesville back in front 40-

the half. Noblesville then took its turn at the fourth period and got them ahead 46-40. four 3-pointers, totaling 12 points. Emily foul line, going 5-of-6 to tie the game at From there, Princeton maintained a lead of Kiser grabbed 11 rebounds to go along with four to eight points until the final minute. The Millers led 36-33 in the third before Shipman and Shannon each hit 3s to cut the Princeton went on another 6-0 run, with all Princeton lead to three points on two differthe points scored by Young. A jumper by ent occasions, but the Tigers held the Mill-

the quarter, but the Millers held them scorethe quarter but the Millers held them score39 with three minutes to go in the quarter.
of 18 points and 16 rebounds, while Shan13-2 lead, with Kiser scoring six of those But, once again, the Tigers made a 7-0 non had 13 points. Both were named to the run - another run that bridged into the All-Tournament Team. Shipman drained

her eight points. Young, not surprisingly named the Tournament MVP, scored 34

In the morning semi-final, the Millers had no problem with the previously undefeated Bison. Noblesville skipped off to a

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Miller boys keep battling....

NHS is 5-5, but making progress

By DON JELLISON

Reporter Editor

Noblesville's Millers have started 2016 as, perhaps, the best 5-5 team in the state.

Okay, maybe the best 5-5 team in Hamilton County, in the local sectional field.

I'll give you that.

The Millers began 2016 last evening in The Mill losing to a very good Bloomington South team, 65-52.

And, as often is said, the final score wasn't a true indication of the game. It was a close battle until the visiting Panthers sprinted away at the end.

Noblesville trailed 14-13 after one quarter, 30-25 at halftime and 44-38 entering the final period.

That's when Bloomington South gave Noblesville a lesson in closing a basketball team.

This Bloomington team is 8-4 on the year, having lost only to New Albany, Floyd Central, Southport and to Lawrence North in the recent Noblesville Holiday

Tourney. What we learned in the first half of the season is what we need to do to win games," said Miller coach

Brian McCauley. What Noblesville didn't learn last evening was

how to close a game. We're making progress," said McCauley.

Believe it or not, in the 5-5 start Noblesville's worst defeat so far this season was the 13-pointer Saturday evening in The Mill.

In the third quarter of the game, with 2:30 left to play in the period, Noblesville's Corby Mertens hit a 3-pointer to tie the battle at 37-37.

After that, Noblesville had to foul far too often and when the Millers sent the Panthers to the line, they didn't miss. For the game, Bloomington South was 17-of-21 hitting free throws.

Bloomington South hit 73 percent from the field, 57 percent from the 3-point line and 80 percent from the charity line ... and still Noblesville stayed in the

The biggest reason for that is that most times when the Panthers made a run, Max Flinchum would drill a boomer for Noblesville. The junior sharp-shooter hit

6-of-7 shots from 3-point territory and finished the game with 26 points. He scored 27 in a game earlier this season. Flinchum, last evening, was the extra the Millers needed to stay close. And John Kiser, of course, was the stable for McCauley. On this night Kiser notched 18 points and collected 7 rebounds.

Problem was, arguably, when you do a little math, not much scoring came along after the performances from Flinchum and Kiser. Combined they netted 44 of Noblesville's 52 points.

Finding consistency from Flinchum and finding depth from the other Millers may be McCauley's biggest task as the Millers enter into Part II on Jan. 9 in a very tough challenge at Muncie Central.

So, the defense will have to improve on what it was last evening and the depth will need to surface to go along with what Kiser will offer.

It will be interesting to see what 5-5 will turn into the second part of 2015-16.

TOURNAMENT GAMES

You think you had a bad day at the office? One of those days which lasted forever?

Try giving Noblesville basketball coach Brian Mc-Cauley a call this morning.

In two games of the Noblesville Basketball Holiday Tourney Tuesday in The Mill, McCauley's Millers lost their opener to Fort Wayne South 73-70 in overtime and then dropped a consolation round nightcap to Columbus East 70-61 in double-overtime.

It wasn't for lack of trying. The Millers tried hard, but just couldn't climb the hill(s).

To make Tuesday even tougher to take, Noblesville ace John Kiser scored 41 points in the first game and 30 points in the second game.

Kiser nearly didn't finish game two, gutting it down the court while fighting off leg cramps.

"They showed a ton of guts," said McCauley following the second game double-overtime setback. 'They showed lots of fight, down to Columbus East by double digits and then fighting back to one overtime and then the second overtime.'



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Noblesville's Max Flinchum hit six 3-pointers for the Millers in their Saturday game against Bloomington South Saturday at The

See NHS...Page 7 Mill.



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

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 Chatard and then on Jan. 9 will revisit Greenfield Central for a matchup with the Cougars.

GC girls fall to Whiteland, sail past Bloomington North

The Guerin Catholic girls basketball



Wampler

Tuesday game at Whiteland 55-42.

gles fell behind 17after the first game. Annamarie in the fourth. Augustinovicz led

Abbigail Wampler scored eight, including double figures with 10 points. a 6-of-6 performance from the free throw grabbed six rebounds.

The Golden Eagles play at Bloomington North on Saturday.

The second quarter proved to be the team dropped a difference for the Guerin Catholic girls basketball team, as the Golden Eagles outscored Bloomington North 27-4 in that The Golden Ea- period, which helped Guerin to a 66-38 victory in a Saturday away game.

The Golden Eagles led 18-14 after the quarter, but played first quarter, but turned that into a 45-18 even for the re- halftime advantage. After a low-scoring mainder of the third quarter, GC added another 16 points

Annamarie Augustinovicz earned a Guerin with 14 double-double, scoring 18 points and points, with Sarah grabbing 11 rebounds. Sarah Yount added Yount adding 12. 12 points, and Tori Sullivan also reached

Guerin is now 11-6, and travels to line. Tori Sullivan and Grace Demas both Bishop Chatard on Friday for a 6 p.m.

NHS

led Columbus East just once, 52-51 on a action on Tuesday. free throw by, of course, Kiser with 2:44 remaining in the first overtime.

"Kiser was Kiser," McCauley said. "He keeps possessions from the opposing team." averaged 35½ points in the two games.

That's an Indiana All-Star." McCauley also was high on a couple

other Millers. "Max (Flinchum) got us 10 points and Ryan Ogden showed us a lot of senior lead-

ership," said the coach. But, when all was said and done, it was Johnny who did the doings.

points against a strong Fort Wayne South team. He also pulled eight rebounds.

Against Columbus East, Kiser had 30 of Noblesville's 61. Ogden added 13 and Flinchum scored 10. Kiser had nine re-

Noblesville's final game of the tourney will be the Avon contest at 2 p.m. Today.

Coach Brian McCauley said the low 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.

much-needed victory after losing an over- Wayne South and Columbus East, all they time game to Fort Wayne South and a dou- could handle.

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Except for the early goings, Noblesville ble overtime to Columbus East in tourney

"Our defense was good," McCauley "When you play good defense that

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

"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 Nobles-Kiser scored 41 of Noblesville's 70 ville 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 scoring coming out of Noblesville's 53-39 in double figures," McCauley continued. "On defense we held Avon to 39 percent

Noblesville came out of the tourney with only one win in three games, but the Whatever it was, Noblesville got a Millers gave two solid basketball teams, Ft.

points. The Millers led 18-8 after the first quarter, and 38-16 at halftime. Kiser al- ond half, scoring 16 of her 26 points, 10 in ready had a double-double by then, with 12 the third quarter alone. Kiser wound up points and 12 rebounds.

"She played really well," said Buckley of Kiser. "They obviously have two very good post players. We knew that our bigs were going to have to play really well. She was fantastic."

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Shannon took over the game in the secwith 15 rebounds for the game, along with 14 points. Shannon and O'Reilly each had six boards, and Haley Conway grabbed five rebounds.

Huskies boys team wins three of

Heights finishes fifth at Richmond Tourney

In Tuesday play at the Richmond Tour-



Lutz

ton Heights boys Seton Catholic. basketball team fell to Class 1A No. 4 Seton Catholic 72-61, then upset 3A No. 6 Leo 59-53.

Huskies The held a 21-13 advantage over Seton after the first quarter, but the Cardinals outscored Heights 41-22 in the middle two

periods. Hunter Crist poured in 25 points,

including four 3-pointers, with Caymn Lutz adding 16 and Sterling Weatherford scoring The Huskies trailed the Lions 39-35

going into the fourth quarter, but blasted through that period on a 24-14 run. Weatherford led the way this time with 22 points, while Crist added another 21.

Hamilton Heights finished fifth in the tourney by on Wednesday first knocking off Valparaiso 76-71 and then Connersville

Coach Chad Ballenger's Huskies won nament, the Hamil- three of four tourney games, losing only to

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 5th 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.

Warner scores 35 against Bloomington

'Rocks are runnerup at Shelbyville



Warner

basketball team finished as runner-up at

cruised past Bloom-The 'Rocks were led by Charlie Warner

Westfield's boys with 35 points, followed by Jonah Welch with 16.

Westfield fell in the championship the Shelby Shootout game to Perry Meridian 33-28. The Sham-Tuesday in Shel- rocks were led in scoring by Ian Kristensen with 11points. Westfield trailed most of the In their first game, game but made it a one possession game Shamrocks late in the fourth quarter.

Next up for the 'Rocks is a Jan. 8 trip to ington North 71-51. McCutcheon, followed by a Jan. 9 home game against Carmel.

Lapel, then Plainfield Tourney....

Lady 'Hawks fall to 3 tough teams

Two of the better small-enrollment



took Lapel (12-4) three overtimes to defeat Sheridan (8-5).

went on to post a 70-65 victory.

Reed

Brittany scored 29 points to

while Audrey Reed notched 11 and Jillian O'Flaherty added 10.

Welch had a double-double, collecting 3-point territory. 10 rebounds.

On Saturday, Sheridan had some big school girls basketball numbers in the individual point column, but teams in the area not enough team scoring while taking on a went head to head pair of big school opponents in two Lady Wednesday and it Blackhawks games at the Plainfield Holiday Tourney.

In the opener, a 60-35 loss to the undefeated and Class 4A No. 5-ranked host The score was tied school, Audrey Reed and Brittany Welch at 51-51 after four each scored 17 of Sheridan's 35 points. The quarters before Lapel other point came on a free throw from Jillian O'Flaherty.

Welch also collected 6 of the 21 Welch rebounds Sheridan pulled down.

In the consolation game, an 82-62 loss lead Coach Jeff Guenther's Blackhaws, to Martinsville, Welch poured in 35 of Sheridan's points and O'Flaherty notched 24 points, hitting 5-of-7 boomers from

> Sheridan's next game will be Jan. 5 at Tipton against Tipton.

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Good holiday week for Heights ...

Lady Huskies split at Rochester, come back to beat Yorktown



Hamilton Heights' girls basket-Holiday Shootout on Monday.

falling to Rochester 52-39. Cold shooting in the first and third quarters dug the Lady Huskies a deep hole that was too much to climb out of. points in those quarters. Kayla Kirt- 50-45. ley led Heights with 10 points.

down the Taylor Titans 51-37. Junior AireAnna Stretch led Senior Bri Henson's five points, eight steals, and five The Huskies lost their first game, Heights with 11 points, while sophomore Ana Collar had assists, the Huskies again used balanced scoring and preseight points and 12 rebounds. Freshman Sydney Griffey sure defense to fight back into the game. The Huskies shot grabbed seven rebounds, and sophomore Lexi Branham 19-39 from the free throw line, going 12-25 in the final two handed out seven assists.

On Wednesday, Hamilton Heights girls battled back The Lady Huskies scored just 10 from a 15 point 3rd quarter deficit to defeat the Yorktown will take on Tuesday at home.

quarter and overtime. Led by sophomore Ana Collar's 14 Wiley and Taylor Catron, each with nine points.

In the second game of the evening, the Lady Huskies points and 10 rebounds, sophomore Kayla Kirtley's 12 ball team went 1-1 at the Rochester were able to put together a better offensive effort to take points and 13 rebounds, and Lexi Branham's 12 points,

With this win, the Lady Huskies improved to 4-9, and

The Heights junior varsity team fell to the Tigers 30-27. The Huskies outscored the Tigers 26-10 in the fourth The Huskies were led by the freshman pair of Lauryn



Guerin Catholic goes 2-2 at Vincennes...

Golden Eagles finish 4th at Hoops Classic

Guerin Catholic rolled through the first

McDonald's Holiday Hoops Classic in Vina 69-40 victory over opening round and a 70-56 win Evansville Day in Round 2.

But, Guerin lost a Helt championship game and tie the game. when falling to India-

napolis Howe, 79-71.

8-2 Hornets.

stopped fight," said Guerin coach Pete Smith. "But, we only shot 37 from the field in the second half, and when we got them to miss shots we didn't come up with the defensive board.

For a fourth straight game Christian Munson scored over 20 points, pouring in a career high 27. Rhett Helt had his second 15-point game off the bench, as did sophomore center Jack Hansen, who also grabbed 8 rebounds

Golden Eagles trailed 3-2 before scoring the next nine points and never trailed after that. Eleven players scored for Smith's

Munson had 21 first half points on his way to a game high 24 points.

two games of the 34.1 percent shooting from the field, while In the third quarter Danville scored three Guerin shot a solid 62.8 percent.

"We took good shots, and only commit-

cennes Monday with ted nine turnovers," said Smith. "It was a good way to start the tourney.

North Posey in the Christian played very solid," Smith added. over Evansville Day, the Golden Eagles hit 50 percent of their shots in the first half to take

However, Day scored the first six points chance to play in the of the third quarter to make up their deficit

a 33-27 lead to the locker room.

Reserve Rhett Helt sparked Guerin Catholic after Smith called a time out. The tonight in stretches," said Coach Pete Kip Warren poured in 32 points for the 6-2 senior scored a career high 15 points and provided what his coach called "the "We battled real hard, and never positive energy we've been looking for all season." Helt made two great assists also to

Munson had his second consecutive 24 point game to lead Guerin in scoring. Matthew Godfrey was very solid at point guard, dishing out 8 assists while scoring 15 tive career high in his past two games,

On Wednesday night, 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 In the opener against North Posey, the third-place game of the Hoops Classic.

> 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 points for Danville, sending the Warriors

Guerin's defense held North Posey to into the locker room down 4 points, 33-29. 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, In the second game, the 70-56 win over 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 victo-

> "Boy we played some good basketball 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 turnovers though really hurt, and we have to reduce that number."

> Munson notched his second-consecufinishing 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.

Burtron leads with 8 points, 6

'Hawks fall to No. 1 Lapel

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



Burtron

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

ers scored, with Patrick Weitzel adding

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

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