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Hamilton County Reporter

The County Line

Very few candidates for county offices this year

By **FRED SWIFT**
Here are a few updated local news notes of the week hopefully of interest to our Reporter readers:

Where are all the candidates? This is a big election year, but surprisingly there are few candidates for county office in Hamilton County. The only county races where there is competition thus far involve the county council and judge of Superior Court 2. Unopposed thus far are candidates for county commissioner, county treasurer, auditor and surveyor as well as most local state representatives.

Major improvements are underway at Hamilton County's Strawtown Kotaweei Park. The county's first Zip Line will soon be in operation along with new facilities for riding horses. Visitors will be able to tube at the park. A new bridge for pedestrians connecting the



campgrounds with the park is also underway at the 810-acre park, one of the county's best kept secrets.

Carmel's West Park near 116th and Towne Road will be expanded by 75 acres soon. A purchase of the ground was made from the Jill Perelman estate and nearly doubles the size of the city park to about 145 acres. The park is a stone's throw west of Coxhall Gardens, a major attraction of the County Parks system.

The Smith Jewelry Store on the Courthouse Square is celebrating its 70th anniversary. Opening in 1946, the store is one of the oldest businesses on the square. It was organized by the Smith family of Bedford, Indiana. The current owners, O'Dell and Esther Lakes, bought the store in 1970 and retained the Smith name.

The current fight for control of the County Republican Party could well have statewide implications in the general election later this year. Most observers say strained relations between GOP factions could lead to problems getting a huge vote needed by statewide Republican candidates. Gov. Mike Pence especially needs the county where he

half his winning margin in 2012 and may need an even bigger boost this year.

A facelift for our 138 year old Courthouse is not complete. The historic building underwent major renovation in 1994, but after 22 years exterior painting, tuck pointing, window repair and other maintenance was needed. On the interior the elevator has been upgraded. In the spring look for painting of the iconic clock tower. The work is being done by Pioneer Restoration, Inc.

Sheriff's officers are still trying to find how a female suspect slipped out of handcuffs and drove off in a sheriff's patrol car a week ago. The young woman claims she just slipped her hands through the cuffs. But, Sheriff Mark Bowen suspects she got a key or other device to loosen the cuffs. She crashed the car and was caught in Henry County after a lengthy chase. Even though the officer who cuffed the woman was not a Hamilton County deputy, Bowen was left to explain the escape for TV news crews.

Moving from California...

Memory Ventures thriving in Fishers

The Chief Executive Officer of a memory preservation company is enjoying his company's rapid growth since moving from California to Fishers.

In an interview with the Inside Indiana Business Web site that was published on Friday, Memory Ventures' CEO Anderson Schoenrock said that he hired 36 new employees last year, which was twice that of his hiring target. In addition, he also plans to add more workers next year - and pay them the same wages that he did his workers in California.

Memory Ventures began as Scan-Digital back in April 2007. It made its first acquisition in August 2010 by buying BritePix, a professional photo, slide, negative and home movie transfer service. The company continued its acquisitions over the years, and opened up as Memory Ventures in Fishers in December 2014.

"While our brands encompass many different products and services the unifying characteristic is that they each help consumers enjoy the best moments in life," the company says on its "About Us" feature on its Web site, www.memoryventures.com.

The company is serious about hiring, as it has six opening listed on the Career Opportunities section of its Web site. That includes VP of Operations, Executive Assistant to the CEO, and two positions related to its new BiographyNOW service, which is designed to "create a way for people to connect through personal life stories and the historical context surrounding those narratives," according to its Web site, www.biographynow.com

CLASS REUNION



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Gary Harris, Hamilton Southeastern's 2012 Mr. Basketball that is now an NBA player with the Denver Nuggets, catches up with old friend Robert "Dub" Clark, a longtime supporter of HSE and Fishers athletics, during the Royals' boys basketball game with Noblesville Friday night at The Mill. Harris was on hand to introduce the athletes on the Millers' and Royals' Unified basketball teams, which treated fans to a great halftime basketball battle. A picture from the game appears on Page 3. Coverage from the Noblesville-HSE game begins the Reporter's sports section on Page 5.

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Letters to the Editor

Looking for new ideas rather than new tax

Dear Councilors Hampton, Jensen and Wiles,

Thank you for the letter in the January 28 Reporter. I appreciate you taking the time to explain the reasoning behind your votes in favor of the trash fee.

I am among those who expressed concern during your campaigns that Noblesville is falling behind our peer communities. We absolutely need bold and visionary leadership to catch up.

I can't speak for all of your constituents but I can assure you that a new tax wasn't what I had in mind. What I'm looking for is new ideas, new energy, new initiatives. We need to look at our challenges with new eyes and look for alternative solutions that add value for taxpayers, ways to get more services for our tax dollars, ways to be more efficient. That's what innovation is all about and that's what we've been lacking in City Hall. That's what I was hoping you would bring to the discussion.

This new fee is not a new idea, is not innovative and doesn't add value for the same money. In fact, I'm not exactly sure what additional value we are getting for this new fee. I've reviewed the literature available at the meeting and it seems we are using this money simply to maintain the status quo, to keep city services from declining. I don't think that supports your

stated position that the "status quo is no longer good enough."

I will take you at your word that you listened carefully to the concerns of your constituents, including those who spoke at the meeting. I believe all three of you want to do the right thing. But you have to understand how hard it is for us in the gallery to believe that you approached this meeting with an open mind when none of you changed your vote after all the public input, which was heavily against this fee. There was very little discussion and no questions to the public. The impression from this side of the desk is that deals were made beforehand, votes were secured and the fee was going to be implemented regardless of what the public had to say. That is very discouraging and is one reason so many people are cynical about the political process.

I hope these extra millions really do lead to some serious progress on new initiatives. At this point we, the public, have no choice but to hope that you will hold the Mayor and his staff accountable to "be creative, be aggressive and push for progress." I will try to do the same. Perhaps we can turn what is an unfortunate start (a tax increase) to this "new era" in city governance into a better future for Noblesville.

Mike Corbett

Other funding solutions are available instead of trash fee

Why should the existing residents of Noblesville have to pay a trash fee to pay for the costs associated with growth. We are already paying for it in our city taxes. The city has other funding solutions available. The Mayor has again overlooked the best funding solution available and that is the elimination or reduction in the capture of taxes in the many TIF districts in the city of Noblesville. The city has been capturing almost all of the taxes from the new businesses that have located in our city to pay off the bonds for their Free infrastructure. This includes the taxes that were supposed to go to the schools, city, library, etc. What this means is that none of the taxes paid by all of the new businesses in the TIF districts are going to pay for police or fire protection, snow removal or any of the other city services. We are always told that when a new business is added that we are adding to our tax base. That addition to the tax base doesn't happen for 25 years until the bonds are paid for in the TIF district that was created. If the capture rate was 50% instead of 100% then these new businesses would at least be paying for a portion of their police and fire protection, snow removal and the other city services that they require. The existing residents and businesses in Noblesville shouldn't have to pay for all of the costs of growth. It is long past time that the capture rate in TIF districts is reduced. Every year when I return my legislative survey to Senator Kenley and Representative Richardson I put in the comment section that the state needs to cap the capture rate in TIF districts at 50%. If TIF districts are such a great thing then they need to benefit all of us now, not 25 years down the road.


The letter above was sent to all 9 Council members on Dec.31st, 2015. Since then we have been told that in the May primary we will be voting to extend the operating fund referendum for the schools, If the City reduced the capture rate in their TIF districts to 50% the City would have plenty of money to continue paying for trash pickup in the budget and the schools wouldn't need the operating fund referendum. The tax caps were put in place because local government spending was out of control. We are paying 1% more in sales tax in ex-

change for the property tax caps. We are also paying 2% more in food and beverage tax at all of the Noblesville restaurants and bars to fund Lucas Oil Stadium. 1% of that tax goes to the city of Noblesville.

I don't remember any of the 9 Council members or the Mayor running for election on a platform of increasing taxes on all of the residents of Noblesville. Maybe this will finally wake up the sleeping giant and we will have a large turnout for the primary election in May of 2019 when the ones that vote for this are up for re-election.

Bill Crask

Bill Dennis announces County Council candidacy



Dennis

Bill Dennis, of the Westfield area, has announced that he will be a candidate for an at-large berth for the Hamilton County Council.

Dennis provided a biography to The Reporter. He is a life-long resident of Washington Township and a retired barber. He said he has "no axe to grind," but believes "it is important to have new voices once in a while in government, whether on the local level," as well as on the state and national scenes.

"I fell it is important to 'keep your ear to the rail,' and listen to the people that you represent," said Dennis, who helps out at Bailey's Barbershop when there's a vacation.

"I don't have a very big 'horn to blow,' but I have been around the block a few times," Dennis continued. "I have always been interested in athletics," he said, "helping to start Little League baseball and football programs in Westfield, as well as being a football and basketball official."

"My only experience in politics was being a member of the Westfield School Board, and a precinct committeeman for the Hortonville precinct."

"I am married, with four children, and a member of the Six Points Wesleyan Church."

WeConnect helps Westfield with pothole problems

The city of Westfield is reminding residents about WeConnect – a customer service tool the city launched last year that allows residents to report potholes, fill out permits, pay bills and much more.

"We are completely focused on delivering excellent customer service to the taxpayers of this community," said Mayor Andy Cook. "By using technology like that found in the WeConnect portal, we can easily improve the way we address issues that matter to our neighborhoods and businesses."

Residents can visit weconnect.westfield.in.gov/ to explore all the services WeConnect offers. Customer service representatives are available to answer questions by calling 804-3150 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



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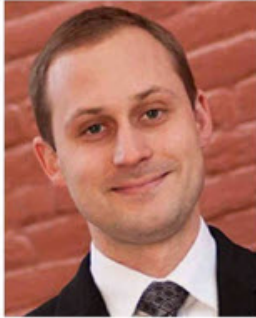
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MILLERS AND ROYALS’ UNIFIED BASKETBALL BATTLE



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Maggie Derksen shoots the ball in the Unified Basketball Battle between the Millers and the Royals’ Unified teams, which took place during halftime of Friday’s Noblesville–Hamilton Southeastern boys basketball game. Students passed around buckets during the Battle, and raised over \$1,000 for Special Olympics.

Jim Kingsolver joins Indiana Members Credit Union



Kingsolver

Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU), Central Indiana’s largest credit union, is pleased to announce that Jim Kingsolver has joined the organization as a Business Banker.

In his role, Jim will assist IMCU with consumer and business lending in Hamilton County, as well as actively promote and involve IMCU with the local community.

Jim brings 31 years of experience in consumer and business lending to his position at IMCU. He is a 1984 graduate of Anderson College and a 2009 graduate of the Hamilton County Leadership Academy. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Noblesville Noon Kiwanis. Jim resides in Fishers with his wife Diane and has two grown children, Justin of Washington DC, and Patrick, residing in Noblesville.

Jim can be reached at 317-773-3966, jkingsolver@imcu.com.

DAILY BIBLE VERSE

I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

- Matthew 3:11-12

50 Years Ago

January 30, 1966

News: “Westfield—“Total energy” systems as related to public school buildings will be a main topic of discussion tonight at a public meeting in the Westfield High School Auditorium. Washington Twp parents and property owners are expected to learn from the Westfield-Washington School Board and Monical & Wolverton Associates Inc., plans for their new high school”

Sports: “The stage has been set for perhaps one of the most exciting Hamilton County Junior High basketball tournaments ever as drawings were made Monday for the nine-team affair at Carmel. The tournament will open with five games on Saturday, Feb. 5.”

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Dr. Ginther to speak...

Riverview Health to host joint replacement seminar



Ginther

Riverview Health will host a joint replacement seminar from 6-7 pm on Thursday, February 18.

Dr. Jeffrey Ginther, a board certified and fellowship-trained orthopedic surgeon, will discuss the latest techniques and procedures for hip and knee replacement, including anterior hip replacement and Exactech Guided Personalized Surgery (GPS) for knee replacements.

The joint replacement seminar will take place at Riverview Health in the Krieg DeVault Conference Room, located in the lower level of the Women’s Pavilion. A light dinner will be served. The program is free, but registration is required. Register at riverview.org/classes or call [317.776.7999](tel:3177767999).

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Building permits

Indiana single-family building permits up 15 percent from December 2014

Single-family building permits in Indiana increased 15 percent in December compared to the same time last year according to the latest data from the U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Permits decreased 13 percent in December from the previous month.

In December 2015, there were 835 single-family building permits issued compared to 726 in 2014. Single-family permits for 2015 were down 1 percent compared to 2014 totals.

“After years of ups and downs, the housing market has settled into a steadier pattern,” said Indiana Builders Association Chief Executive Officer Rick Wajda. “A firming economy, solid job growth and rising consumer confidence are all positive indicators that provide solid evidence this will be a good year for housing and the economy.”

Builder confidence in the market for newly-built single-family homes held steady at 60 in January, according to the National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo Housing Market Index. The index has been between 60 and 62 for seven of the last eight months with only October rising briefly to 65. Any number over 50 indicates that more builders view sales conditions as good than poor.

“Top concerns for builders in 2016 include the cost and availability of developed lots and labor, federal environmental regulations that are making it more expensive and difficult to build homes and increasing building material prices,” said Wajda. “Indiana’s unemployment rate continues to be at its lowest level in more than a decade and we are confident this will play a factor in a growing housing market this year.”

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Sunstone Construction, Flats at 146, 15159 Troxel Drive, \$1,474,783.

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Sundollar Restoration, Twin Oaks, 16004 Bounds Court.
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Single Family New Construction

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CalAtlantic Homes, Brighton Knoll, 15140 Atkinson Drive, \$147,397.
CalAtlantic Homes, Conner Crossing of Noblesville, 5474 Cottage Grove Lane, \$219,570.
Silverthorne Homes, Essex of Noblesville, 1671 Birdbrook, \$332,000.
Silverthorne Homes, Essex of Noblesville, 16753 Birdbrook Road, \$331,000.
Bedrock Builders, Park Place at Sagamore, 16229 Stonewolf Blvd, \$350,000.
Beazer Homes, Promenade Woods, 6111 Rolling Rock Lane, \$306,300.
Arbor Homes, Waterman Farms, 15183 Silver Charm Drive, \$133,000.
Pulte Homes, Blue Ridge Creek, 12770 Sunrise Drive, \$261,000.
CalAtlantic Homes, Brighton Knoll, 10595 Cordiff Court, \$134,446.
CalAtlantic Homes, Brighton Knoll, 1592 Cordiff Court, \$142,623.
Pyatt Builders, Carrigan at the Levee, 20942 Waters Edge Court, \$290,000.
Beazer Homes, Lochaven at Noble West, 15506 ISlateford Road, \$397,700.
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After almost five years...

Hot-shooting Millers beat Royals

By **RICHIE HALL**
Reporter Sports Editor

A great shooting night for Noblesville finally broke down five years of frustration against Hamilton Southeastern Friday night.

The Millers boys basketball team had another efficient night from the field, and rode that to a 67-54 victory over the Royals at The Mill. It's the first time Noblesville has beaten HSE since March 5, 2010, when it edged the Royals 43-42 in the sectional semi-finals. This game had a sectional-type atmosphere, which is a good thing to experience since the post-season is only a few weeks away.

"I'm really proud of our guys," said NHS coach Brian McCauley. "I thought we had great energy. We had a great start. We were focused, and then obviously we shot very well tonight from the floor." Noblesville was 26-of-38 from the field, a blistering 68 percent.

The Royals scored the first basket of the game, when Brennan Schofield made a layin. After that, the Millers scored the next seven points, and held the lead from there. Nolan Ginther got the first basket, McGwire Plumer drained a 3-pointer, and John Kiser hit a jump shot.

"I thought we played decent the first half," said HSE coach Brian Satterfield. "Kiser's a great player, and he hits tough, contested shots. But some other guys stepped up and hit shots there, especially in the first half."



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Noblesville coach Brian McCauley was fired up, and so were the Millers, who used a hot shooting performance to beat Hamilton Southeastern 67-54 at The Mill Friday night.

Noblesville kept steadily increasing its advantage throughout the game, scoring mostly on little runs of five or six points. Usually those runs included a 3-pointer. The Millers made eight long range baskets in all. Noblesville was ahead 32-24 at halftime, and the Miller lead was 48-36 after three quarters.

A new chant has become popular among student sections over the past couple years when a player makes a '3': It ends with the kids screaming "Everybody!" And it seemed like everybody on Noblesville's team hit a 3-pointer Friday. Max Flinchum totaled three downtown shots, Corby Mertens and Plumer both hit two, and Kiser made one. That gave the Millers an 8-of-13 mark from 3-point range.

Noblesville held its largest lead of the game at 67-50, that came after Ryan Ogden scored two consecutive baskets. Ogden scored 14 points, all in the second half. The only Miller with more points was Kiser, who poured in 23; he also dished out seven assists. Plumer added 10 points.

"It helps when we have great balance," said McCauley. "We had that at Logansport and we had that tonight. We had three guys in double figures and two other guys with nine (Flinchum and Mertens). That's outstanding balance offensively."

Southeastern, despite being beset by injuries, never quit. The Royals put 11 different players on the floor during the

game, and all of them made a contribution. Schofield and Jack Davidson each scored 11 points; Davidson drained three 3-pointers. Greg Miller scored 10 points, and led all rebounders with five.

"One thing that we've liked all year is our depth," said Satterfield. The depth had to step up, as several players were out of the line-up, including HSE's star Zach Gunn.

"He's just got a medical situation and he gets re-evaluated next week and we'll see where it goes," said Satterfield.

The Millers handed the Royals their first Hoosier Crossroads Conference loss of the year, although HSE still leads the HCC standings at 4-1. Zionsville and Fishers are tied for second at 3-1. Nobles-

ville is now 2-2 in the conference and 9-6 overall, while the Royals are 11-7 for the season.

Both teams are back in action on Thursday. Noblesville travels to Brownsburg for another HCC game, while Southeastern hosts Columbus North.

Noblesville 67, Hamilton Southeastern 54

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Brennan Schofield	4-7	3-3	11	2
Noah Smith	0-4	2-2	2	2
Jack Davidson	3-6	2-2	11	1
Greg Miller	2-8	5-6	10	3
JD Bembry	0-1	0-0	0	1
Aaron Etherington	3-6	0-0	6	2
Aaron Shank	1-2	0-0	2	0
Jaylon Tapplar	0-2	0-0	0	2
Trevin Trabue	0-1	1-2	1	1
Brock Burns	2-2	4-4	9	1
Nick Bowman	1-1	0-0	2	0
Totals	16-40	17-19	54	15

Southeastern 3-point shooting (5-12) Davidson 3-5, Miller 1-1, Burns 1-1, Smith 0-2, Etherington 0-2, Schofield 0-1.

Southeastern rebounds (19) Miller 5, Shank 3, Davidson 2, Etherington 2, Trabue 1, Smith 1, Burns 1, Tapplar 1, team 3.

Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
John Kiser	9-12	4-7	23	3
Nolan Ginther	1-1	0-2	2	2
Max Flinchum	3-7	0-0	9	1
McGwire Plumer	4-4	0-0	10	3
Ryan Ogden	6-8	2-2	14	2
Corby Mertens	3-6	1-2	9	2
Grant Bullard	0-0	0-0	0	1
Nick Mills	0-0	0-2	0	0
Brandon Barthel	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	26-38	7-13	67	15

Noblesville 3-point shooting (8-13) Flinchum 3-6, Mertens 2-4, Plumer 2-2, Kiser 1-1.

Noblesville rebounds (15) Kiser 3, Mertens 2, Plumer 2, Ogden 2, Bullard 2, Mills 1, Flinchum 1, team 2.

Score by Quarters

Southeastern	8	16	12	18	- 54
Noblesville	12	20	16	19	- 67



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Ryan Ogden scored 14 points, including consecutive baskets in the fourth quarter.

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Reporter photos by Kent Graham

ABOVE: Butch Robbins (45) leads the Miller Students section in the "rollercoaster" cheer.

BELOW: McGwire Plumer scored 10 points for Noblesville.

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Huskies start too late....

Tipton escapes with win

By DON JELLISON
Reporter Editor
The Husky Dome was packed, as to be expected for a Heights-Tipton basketball game.

The action was fierce, a defensive head-knocker between two schools located just 10 miles apart on Highway 19. As to be expected for a Heights-Tipton battle.

This time, undefeated Tipton pulled out a 43-36 victory over a Hamilton Heights team still playing without the injured Hunter Crist.

The Blue Devils won it by building an early lead. Tipton had an 8-4 margin after one period; a 21-10 advantage at halftime and a 31-16 spread entering the fourth quarter.

Then the Huskies charged, outscoring Tipton 20-12 in the fourth quarter and once getting as close as four points.

"I was disappointed the way we played in the first half, but then we played a lot better," said Heights coach Chad Ballenger.

"The two schools are big rivals. We might see them again, maybe two more times this season."

Tipton and Heights both will play in the Hoosier Conference Tourney in mid-February. They also play in the same sectional.

"It's a good bet that we might meet again," said Ballenger.

The Huskies got in trouble at the end of the first half, missing an easy shot and the Blue Devils coming down to score just before the horn.

"That was a big play," Ballenger said. "Also, after we got within four points, we turned over the basketball on the next two possessions. We had 15 turnovers tonight. We average only 10 turnovers a game."

The Huskies caught fire early in the fourth quarter, getting seven straight points from Caymn Lutz to cut Tipton's margin to 31-23 with 5:32 left. Austin Sauerteig had a 3-pointer and a field goal. Max Wahl scored to bring Heights within six, 36-30, and a bucket by Sterling Weatherford made it a 38-34 game.

Then came Heights' two big turnovers, and Tipton went on to ice the win at the charity line.

"I thought we were nervous starting the game," said Ballenger. "This was a sectional atmosphere tonight and not many of our kids had played under those conditions. We rushed some shots and we missed some good shots."

For the game, Hamilton Heights was 16-of-35 from the field, but just 1-of-9 from 3-point range and the Huskies went to the free throw line just three times, making all three.

Lutz led the scoring with 13 points and also was Heights' rebounding with 6. Weatherford finished with 12 points.

"I thought we played a good defensive game," said Ballenger. "I was really pleased with our defense tonight."

Ballenger, of course, would like to have the offensive firepower lost when Crist went down with a wrist injury a few games back.

"We hope to have Hunter back for the sectional," the coach said. "He went back to the doctor today and he'll go back again next week. He has not been cleared to play. It's a week-to-week thing."

The Huskies now are 11-7 on the year. Next up is a Feb. 9 home game against Frankton.

Tipton 43, Heights 36

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Max Wahl	3-8	0-0	6	2
Caymn Lutz	6-10	1-1	13	1
Sterling Weatherford	5-7	2-2	12	3
Dustin Williams	0-1	0-0	0	3
Noah Wallace	0-0	0-0	0	0
Tyler Wiltermood	0-1	0-0	0	0
Austin Sauerteig	2-8	0-0	5	3
Totals	16-35	3-3	36	12
Score by Quarters:				
Heights	4	6	6	20
Tipton	8	13	10	12
Heights 3-Pointers (1-9): Wahl 0-2, Weatherford 0-1, Williams 0-1, Sauerteig 1-5.				
Heights Rebounds (18): Wahl 2, Lutz 6, Weatherford 3, Williams 3, Wiltermood 1, Sauerteig 3.				



Reporter photos by Brian Reddick

Hamilton Heights' Max Wahl (in all three pictures) scored six points for the Huskies in their rivalry game with Tipton Friday at the Husky Dome.

Turn to Page 8 to see more pictures from this game.



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Sterling Weatherford (above and right) scored 12 points for Heights Friday night.



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Caymn Lutz led the Huskies with 13 points against Tipton Friday night.

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Shamrocks storm from behind....

Kristensen hits winner

Ian Kristensen hit a layup with 1.5 seconds left to bring Westfield from 11 points behind in the fourth quarter to a 53-51 Hoosier Crossroads Conference victory over visiting Avon on Friday evening at The Rock in Westfield.

Coach Shane Sumpter said Westfield made history with the win.

“For the first time in school history,” said the coach, “the Rocks have now beaten four 4A opponents in a row.”

Westfield trailed by 11 points in the fourth quarter. The Shamrocks outscored the Orioles 21-8 in the fourth quarter after Avon built a lead on hot shooting in the first half. Westfield came out composed to start the fourth quarter and never looked back.

The Shamrocks have now won five games in a row and six out of the last seven.

Senior Charlie Warner led all scorers with 21 points. Kristensen scored 10 points, 9 in the fourth quarter, and he yanked 4 rebounds.

Jonah Welch scored 10 points and was Westfield’s third player in double figures.

Freshman Caleb Welch came in and had a clutch 3-pointer and 2 assists down the stretch. Welch’s defense also disrupted the Orioles’ last effort to win the game.

Westfield got behind early, trailing 18-9 after one quarter and 28-17 at halftime. Both teams notched 15 points in the third quarter before Westfield erupted in the final period.

The Shamrocks hit 21-of-49 shots in the game and canned 9-of-13 free throws. They had 29 rebounds, including 7 each from Warner and Sawyer Olsen. Warner also blocked 3 shots.

Westfield, now with a 7-8 record, will have an opportunity to even their mark with a win tonight at Lebanon.



Photo by Kirk Green

Jonah Welch scored 10 points for Westfield Friday in its comeback win over Avon at The Rock.

<div>Westfield 53, Avon 51</div>					Jonah Welch	4-6	2-2	10	5	Westfield 3-Pointers (2-12): VanDyke 0-1, Nicole 1-1, C. Welch 1-1, Kristensen 0-1, Warner 0-5, Olsen 0-3.				
					Caleb Welch	1-1	0-0	3	0	Westfield Rebounds (29): VanDyke 4, Lynch 4, J. Welch 3, Kristensen 4, Warner 7, Olsen 7.				
					Ian Kristensen	3-6	4-6	10	4					
					Charlie Warner	9-20	3-3	21	2					
					Sawyer Olsen	1-5	0-0	2	1					
					Totals	21-49	9-13	53	18					
					Score by Quarters:									
Westfield														
Josh VanDyke	FG	FT	TP	PF										
	0-1	0-0	0	2										
Kyle Nicole	1-1	0-0	3	2	Westfield									
Robbie Lynch	2-9	0-2	4	2	Avon									
					9	8	15	21	53					
					18	10	15	8	51					

Munson scores 30, Godfrey 25...

Guerin Catholic keeps the Bishop’s Cup

Guerin Catholic's boys basketball team shot 57 percent from the field and retained the Bishop's Cup in the Eagles Nest Friday night, defeating Lafayette Central Catholic 90-73.

Junior Matthew Godfrey got the Golden Eagles out to a 22-17 lead after one quarter by nailing three 3-point shots in the stanza. Then it was Christian Munson's turn, scoring 14 points in the second quarter to extend the Golden Eagles lead to twelve points, 47-35, at the halftime break. Central Catholic (10-4) battled Guerin Catholic to a 25-25 tie in the third quarter before six different Golden Eagles scored in the final stanza to put the game away.

"We were efficient on offense," said Coach Pete Smith, whose team improved to 7-11. "We had a size advantage and Jack (Hansen) and Munny scored a lot in the paint for us tonight. But I was not real thrilled with our defensive concentration. We had trouble staying in front of the basketball; that has to get better."

Munson finished with 30 points while Godfrey had seven 3's and 25 points. Hansen finished with 15 points, and the offensive execution was enhanced by Cameron Lindley's career-high 11 assists.

It is the third year in a row that the Bishop's Cup stays in Noblesville. The two schools are the two high schools of the Lafayette Diocese. Central Catholic now trails in the series 5-2.

Tuesday night Coach Smith will coach in bare feet for his annual Samaritan's Feet night. The opponent will be Indianapolis Sccecina.

Guerin Catholic 90, Lafayette Central Catholic 73				
Guerin	FG	FT	TP	PF
Grant Fremion	0-0	0-0	0	1
Matthew Godfrey	9-13	0-0	25	1
Christian Munson	10-16	8-8	30	4
Jack Hansen	6-11	3-4	15	0
Rhett Helt	2-4	0-2	5	0
Cameron Lindley	1-3	2-2	4	1
Joey Weas	0-0	0-0	0	0
Calen Cunningham	2-3	0-0	4	3
Christian Daniels	3-6	0-0	7	0
Totals	33-56	13-16	90	10
Score by Quarters				
LCC	17	18	25	13 - 73
Guerin	22	25	25	18 - 90
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (11-24) Godfrey 7-11, Munson 2-4, Daniels 1-4, Helt 1-2, Hansen 0-2, Lindley 0-1.				
Guerin Catholic rebounds (30) Munson 6, Helt 6, Hansen 5, Godfrey 4, Lindley 4, Cunningham 3, Daniels 2.				



Photos by Kirk Green

Guerin Catholic's seniors display the Bishop’s Cup (above), which they retained after beating Lafayette Central Catholic 90-73 Friday at the Eagles Nest. The Golden Eagles won in front of another packed crowd (below).



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Friday's scores		L.A. Clippers 105, L.A. Lakers 93
Boston 113, Orlando 94		Saturday's games
Cleveland 114, Detroit 106		Golden State at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
New York 102, Phoenix 84		Detroit at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City 116, Houston 108		Denver at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Miami 107, Milwaukee 103		Brooklyn at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Dallas 91, Brooklyn 79		Washington at Houston, 8 p.m.
Utah 103, Minnesota 90		Sacramento at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Portland 109, Charlotte 91		San Antonio at Cleveland, 8:30 p.m.

Eastern Conference				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	31	15	.674	-
Boston	27	21	.563	5.0
New York	23	26	.469	9.5
Brooklyn	12	35	.255	19.5
Philadelphia	7	40	.149	24.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	33	12	.733	-
Chicago	26	19	.578	7.0
Detroit	25	22	.532	9.0
Indiana	24	22	.522	9.5
Milwaukee	20	29	.408	15.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	27	21	.563	-
Miami	26	21	.553	0.5
Charlotte	22	25	.468	4.5
Washington	20	24	.455	5.0
Orlando	20	25	.444	5.5

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Oklahoma City	36	13	.735	-
Portland	22	26	.458	13.5
Utah	21	25	.457	13.5
Denver	18	29	.383	17.0
Minnesota	14	34	.292	21.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	42	4	.913	-
L.A. Clippers	31	16	.660	11.5
Sacramento	20	26	.435	22.0
Phoenix	14	34	.292	29.0
L.A. Lakers	9	40	.184	34.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Antonio	39	7	.848	-
Memphis	27	20	.574	12.5
Dallas	27	22	.551	13.5
Houston	25	24	.510	15.5
New Orleans	17	28	.378	21.5

Big PAAC game tonight...

‘Blazers get victory at Traders Point

Senior Connor Holly scored 20 points, had nine re-bounds and dished out five assists as University picked up a 59-32 road victory over Traders Point Christian Academy.

Sophomore Emerson Halbleib had 11 points and eight rebounds as the Trailblazers improved to 12-4 on the season.

"We practiced very well the last few days and showed in the game" said University coach Brandon Laffer-ferman when asked if he was concerned about a slow start with his team's first game in two weeks. "We spread the ball and were able to go eight deep in the first half with everyone playing well."

The Trailblazers jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead in the first two minutes on three pointers from Josh Watson and Sam Nerney. After the Golden Eagles cut the lead to 6-4,



Watson

Holly drilled a three pointer and Halbleib converted an old fashioned three point play off an offensive rebound and University led 12-4 after the first.

University established control of the game in the first three minutes of the second quarter racing to a 21-6 lead behind two baskets by Holly, a three pointer from Watson and a Halbleib bucket and eventually led by 20 at halftime, 31-11. University had 7 assists on 13 field goals in the first half.

Watson finished with eight points, Nerney had seven off the bench, David Howard added six, Josh Alford had five in his first start and Tyler Wott rounded out the scoring with a basket.

University travels to Anderson Preparatory Academy Saturday night in their final Pioneer Academic Athletic Conference East Division game. The Trailblazers can clinch second place in the East with a win and set up a rematch with Central Christian in the PAAC's third place game on February 13.

University 59, Traders Point 32

University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Connor Holly	8-14	1-2	20	1
Josh Watson	3-4	0-0	8	2
Sam Nerney	3-6	0-0	7	0
Emerson Halbleib	5-8	1-1	11	1
Josh Alford	2-5	0-0	5	2
David Howard	2-2	1-2	6	3
Tyler Wott	1-1	0-0	2	0
Ajay Wooden Jr.	0-2	0-2	0	1
Ethan Sickels	0-1	0-0	0	0
Grant Schepers	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	24-43	3-5	59	10
Score by Quarters				
University	12	19	16	12 - 59
TPCA	4	7	9	12 - 32
University 3-point shooting (8-17) Holly 3-7, Watson 2-2, Nerney 1-3, Alford 1-3, Howard 1-1, Sickels 0-1.				
University rebounds (32) Holly 9, Halbleib 8, Watson 4, Howard 3, Alford 3, Wooden Jr. 2, Nerney 1, Sickels 1, Wott 1.				

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