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# The meeting of the minds

**By MARY SUE ROWLAND**  
A City Council Summit for all of Hamilton County is planned for March 5, 2016 at the Market District in Carmel. The Hamilton County Leadership Academy Class of 2016 has taken on the idea and project as part of their work with the Academy. The half-day work shop is designed to bring together city council members from all of the Hamilton County's municipalities to discuss "hot button" issues relevant to their communities and to share ideas



on how to best manage them. Issued on the agenda will include: Redevelopment, Mass Transit, the Hamilton County economy and the relationship with the Hamilton County commissioners. The event will be moderated by John Krauss, a Clinical Professor Emeritus of Public and Environmental Affairs and Adjunct Professor of Law and a Senior Advisor to the Chancellor of IUPUI. His areas of expertise include strategic planning, intergovernmental relations, economic development, land use, zoning and code enforcement among other areas according to the invitation. Now is a good time to get all of the council's together as the county issues are indeed city issues. The Hamilton County Leadership Academy was created in 1991 by No-

blesville and Carmel Chambers. This year is the Academy's 25<sup>th</sup> year of providing a 10 month program for local leaders to expand their knowledge in many areas that affect the county in which they live or work. The mission is to educate and inspire leadership to create a positive impact on the community. Calling a meeting of elected councils from around the country will give everyone an opportunity to learn more about their neighboring communities and what is happening next door. Sharing of ideas, planned projects and vision can become opportunity for all. More to follow this event. The event is sponsored by Ice Miller Law firm.

## Firearms Safety forum is Thursday at Fairgrounds

On Thursday, Hamilton County Sheriff Mark Bowen invites area residents to participate in a public education forum on Firearms Safety. This special meeting, to be held at the Hamilton County 4H Fairgrounds from 7 to 8 p.m., will focus on what gun owners can do to promote responsible weapon ownership. Led by Indiana Law Enforcement Training Board certified instructors and Sheriff's Office deputies, participants will come away with practical ideas and suggestions on how to increase safety around firearms. Hamilton County, like most areas in the United States, has experienced an increase in firearms ownership during the past few years. According to several studies, gun sales across the country have nearly doubled since 2008, hitting a new high in 2015 and peaking in December after shootings in Paris and San Bernadino. Nationwide, background check applications, which closely parallel gun sales, were at 23.1 million in 2015. Locally, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office processed 433 individual permits and six dealer permits in 2015, an increase from 370 individual and two dealer permits in 2014. December 2015 was the busiest month with 120 individual permits issued by the Sheriff's Office. The increase in the number of firearms throughout the area brings with it the need to teach and reinforce safety not only for those who own guns but for those who may find themselves around these weapons. The public education forum does not involve any type of hands-on instruction but rather is an overview of safe and responsible measures that should be practiced by gun owners. No buying or selling of weapons will occur. Those legally carrying firearms in accordance

**Bowen**

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## For high-quality education practices... Noblesville East MS recognized by IDOE

Noblesville Schools announced today that the Indiana Department of Education has selected Noblesville East Middle School for recognition as part of a new program aimed at highlighting high-quality education practices throughout the state. NEMS was chosen based on their focused and intentional approach to school day structure and planning, which has led to more collaboration time among teachers and higher quality learning opportunities for students. "Principal Ryan Rich and his team have identified creative ways for teachers to have meaningful planning conversations so that they can be more responsive to students' needs," said Beth Niedermeyer, superintendent.

**Rich**

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Photo provided

Noblesville East Middle School was selected by the Indiana Department of Education for recognition as part of a new program aimed at highlighting high-quality education practices throughout the state.

## Mayor hosts Breakfast for Scouting

The 21st Annual Noblesville Mayor's Breakfast for Scouting was held Tuesday morning at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds. The breakfast served as a fundraiser for the Crossroads of America Council. More than \$60,000 in pledged donations were made. The breakfast, chaired by Matt Cook, included speeches from Cub Scout Daniel Brake, Police Explorer Lt. Lucas Chisham and the Eagle Scouts of Troop 101's Kickapoo Patrol. In 2015, Noblesville had 657 Cub Scouts, 240 Boy Scouts, 23 Ventures and 74 Explorers. The city had 22 young men earn Scouting's highest honor in the rank of Eagle Scout and more than 3,551 hours of community service.

**Photo courtesy the City of Noblesville**

Members of Noblesville's Boy Scout Troop 101's Kickapoo Patrol in attendance were honored. All 13 members of the patrol have earned Scouting's highest rank of Eagle Scout and shared their names and favorite memory during the annual breakfast fundraiser. Lt. Lucas Chisham shares his experiences in the Noblesville Police Explorers.

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*Board candidates announced for...*

# Hamilton County Soil and Water’s 2016 annual meeting

The Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District announces two candidates vying for a vacant position on its board of supervisors. Voting will be conducted at the department’s annual meeting to be held on Thursday, February 18 at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds. Any person who owns or occupies land in Hamilton County is eligible to vote.

Members will vote for either Amy Farmer of Cicero or Dustin Forrer of White River Township.

Amy Farmer has been a beekeeper and farmer since 2008. In 2012 she and her husband planted a Conservation Resource Program border and alfalfa in their internal field. They also established a grassy waterway and an added drainage tile.

“The conservation projects made the field come alive, nourished my honey bees into productivity, and became a habitat for more species than I could ever begin to identify,” Farmer said.

The Farmers added a season extension high tunnel and heritage livestock in 2015.

“Between the livestock and the high tunnel vegetables, we are nearly food self-sufficient, which is a welcome and healthy responsibility,” Farmer said.

Farmer believes soil becomes healthy when it’s supporting diverse plant and animal life- and the diverse plant and animal life becomes healthy from the soil’s support. She and her husband know that farms and the greater environment are always changing, are works in prog-

ress, and that all the species thrive when the soil is alive and the water is right.

Dustin Forrer has been farming for 11 years, but worked on a farm as a child and continued through college.

“I always wanted to farm but never knew if it would be possible,” he said. “After earning a Master’s Degree in Landscape Architecture and working at a civil engineering firm, my wife’s family asked if I’d like to join their farming operation. That was in 2005 and I’ve never looked back!”

Forrer believes that conservation of soil and water is important for everyone.

“For me, reducing the erosion of top soil on my fields is important. Keeping the soil in place reduces runoff and helps maintain soil health,” he continued. “With more frequent major rain events, this is becoming critical. Reducing soil runoff keeps our water resources cleaner as well.”

He advocates that soil is a nutrient-rich system of living organisms, microbes, and organic matter and stated that it is vital that everyone does what they can to protect this asset for future generations.

Farmer or Forrer will take the place of Brad Roberts, who currently serves as treasurer. Roberts is ending his second three year term on the board of supervisors.

For more information, contact Hamilton County Soil and Water at [soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov) or 317-773-2181.

# AgReliant launches beta of Advantage Acre

## Purdue news release

Westfield-based AgReliant Genetics, the third largest seed corn company in North America, launched the beta version of its precision agriculture platform to the public Monday, in collaboration with Spensa Technologies, an agriculture services company based in the Purdue Research Park of West Lafayette.

The platform, Advantage Acre®, is a comprehensive suite of technologies that bring together three foundational elements of farming: seed, soil and weather.

"AgReliant Genetics has and will continue to focus on providing our customers with consistently competitive seed products," said Bryan Brochin, AgReliant Genetics vice president of marketing and business development. "The Advantage Acre platform was designed to maximize the genetic potential of our seed and provide an innovative user-interface for our customers. The introduction of the system is the culmination of extensive effort from our team and the industry-leading collaborators who have provided their expertise related to precision technology, soil and weather."

The platform combines AgReliant Genetics' expansive knowledge of its seed products with the innovative functional soil mapping technology from AgSoil Analytics, a Purdue-affiliated company led by agronomy professor Phillip Owens, and advanced weather forecasting from Weathertrends360, a weather analytics corporation providing statistical and math-

based forecasts 11 months ahead with 84 percent accuracy.

"The functional soil mapping technology and progressive weather forecasting are key differentiators for our platform," said Noah Freeman, AgReliant Genetics manager of precision ag technologies. "When you combine the two, we're able to provide unprecedented information about our seed and, using the intuitive platform, can now share this insight with our growers for the first time. Growers will be able to use the platform to proactively plan, implement their field strategy and evaluate the year-end results in a new way."

AgReliant Genetics first announced its partnership with Spensa Technologies in 2014. Since then, the platform developers have been working closely to integrate cutting-edge fluidly into Advantage Acre platform.

"The launch of Advantage Acre can be a game-changer for growers and advances precision agriculture to the next level," said Johnny Park, president of Spensa Technologies. "We worked closely with AgReliant to develop this multi-level platform that will serve all growers and assist consultants in their agricultural support networks. I look forward to seeing the positive outcomes that will result from this advanced technology."

Information regarding the Advantage Acre platform, pricing and account sign-up can be found online at [advantageacre.com](http://advantageacre.com). The beta trial period and introductory pricing will run until June 30.



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*Long-time Westfield resident...*

# Fettig announces candidacy for Indiana House District 24

Greg Fettig, long time resident of Westfield announced on Friday he will run for Indiana House District 24. Greg, a State’s rights conservative and grassroots activist, put forth a platform that aggressively deals with many of the serious issues facing Indiana and district 24. His website: [Gregfettig.com](http://Gregfettig.com), provides a detailed platform that covers issues from border security and enforcement of Federal immigration laws, to continued property tax reform, combating crime and violence and comprehensive welfare reform.

A pro-life, conservative, Greg was appointed to the Freedom works Debt Commission in 2012 and was co-founder of Hoosiers for Conservative State. Greg Fettig’s campaign motto of “State Rights, Limited Government, Lower Taxes = More Freedom” is a core principle on which his campaign has been built.

Fettig was born in Elwood and raised on a farm. He graduated from Tipton High

School and Purdue University. Fettig has been a Hamilton County resident for 30 years and a successful small business owner since 1986.

# NOBLESVILLE

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dent of Noblesville Schools. “Developing a learning culture that promotes innovative problem solving inspires both teachers and students. Like many of our schools, NEMS is a place where other educators like to visit to see first-hand the benefits of fostering powerful thinking communities. We’re proud of the quality of education we’re providing students in Noblesville and appreciate this recognition from the state.”

The IDOE selected ten initial schools statewide for the honor and NEMS was the only Hamilton County school recognized.

For more information about the IDOE’s initiative visit: [www.doe.in.gov/outreach/promising-practices](http://www.doe.in.gov/outreach/promising-practices)

# FIREARMS

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with state and federal laws are welcome; however, do not bring firearms in hopes of receiving instruction on their specific operation. Vendors of firearms safety and storage equipment along with several area firearms trainers will be in attendance as additional resources.

There is no cost to attend the event and no registration is required. The forum is appropriate for current gun owners of all experience levels as well as those interested in ownership or in general firearms safety. Free gun locks will be distributed while supplies last and information on obtaining an Indiana permit will be available.

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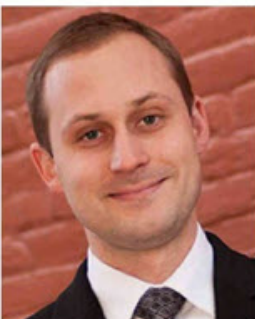



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# Anthony Wayne Steward

March 2, 1964 - February 6, 2016

Anthony Wayne Steward, 51, of Noblesville, passed away on February 6, 2016 at Harbour Manor. He was born on March 2, 1964 in Noblesville.



Anthony graduated from Noblesville High School and received an Associate's degree from ITT. He worked in heating & air conditioning, for the US Postal Service, and in automotive detailing. Anthony was a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, loved field ministry and Bible discussion, and enjoyed watching auto racing.

He is survived by his mother, Linda Steward; father, Robert Huston Steward; daughter, Katja Steward; sister, Kathleen (Emanuel) Harper; brother, Michael Steward; brother, Seneca Steward; sister, Robin (Morris) Harris; sister, Brianna (Han) Hsu; aunt, Constance Jones; uncle, James (Alice) Holman; uncle, Steven Holman; aunt, Marva Holman; and several nieces, nephews & cousins.

Anthony is preceded in death by his grandparents, Normajean & Robert Steward Sr., and Ellen Holman Burton & William Denver Holman; aunt, Cheryl Owens; and uncle, William Philip Holman.

Services will be held at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, February 12, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville, with visitation from 10:00 am to the time of service. Rick Richard will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 19100 Allisonville Road, Noblesville, IN 46060.

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# June Alice Shannon

July 4, 1920 - February 7, 2016

June Alice Shannon, 95, of Lafayette, passed away on the evening of Sunday, February 7, 2016 at Signature Healthcare in Lafayette, IN. She was born on July 4, 1920 to Jeddie and Grace (Ridgeway) Hicks in Omega, Indiana. June married William 'Bill' Shannon on August 29, 1964. He preceded her in death on March 1, 2006.



June attended Walnut Grove School in Hamilton County for 11 years, but at age 70 she acquired her GED. She was retired from JC Penney where she had worked as a sales clerk for 22 years, in Noblesville, Kokomo and San Bernardino, CA. She was a longtime member of Trinity United Methodist Church, where she was a member of Circle 4; and was a frequent guest of Brady Lane Church of Christ, where she was a member of Pioneer Women for Christ. June participated yearly in the Religious Arts Festival at First Baptist Church, where she attended the ladies group.

Her hobbies included ceramics, china painting, photography, water color painting, greeting cards, and writing poetry. A lover of art, June attended art exhibitions in the Morton Center in West Lafayette, and entered several projects in the Senior Division of the Tippecanoe County 4-H Fair. She enjoyed activities at The Center at Jenks Rest; and attended quilting classes at Fountain Park, Chautauqua in Remington, IN for 22 years. June grew up surrounded by music in her home which led to her love of music. She was an avid fan of Jim Alkire's Band and was thrilled to have his band play for her 90th birthday party; and one of her favorite piano players was Greg Duncan, who was part of the Atlanta, IN Music Hall group 'Friends'. She was also her family historian, having compiled genealogy charts for nine generations.

June is survived by her daughter, Peggy Shannon; stepson, Rev. Charles (Rosetta) Shannon; foster daughter, Laurie Jones; grandchildren, James (Camille) Shannon, Katharine Shannon and Nick 'Tyler' (Lindsey) Jones; great-grandson, Tucker Jones; and niece & caregiver, Connie Chance.

In addition to her parents and her husband, June was preceded in death by her sisters, Mae Loser, Mary 'Babe' (& Bob) Chance; brother, Joseph (& Vera) Hicks; and a foster brother, Curtis (& Betty) Harrison.

Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, February 12, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street in Noblesville with visitation beginning at 11:00 am until the time of the service. Pastor Linda Dolby of Trinity United Methodist Church in Lafayette will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville, Indiana.

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## DAILY BIBLE VERSE

And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

- Matthew 4:3

## 50 Years Ago

February 10, 1966

**News:** "The city of Noblesville will rent a city-owned lot immediately west of the National Guard Armory on Logan Street to the Armory. The decision was made at the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the City Council. The city will be paid \$240.00 per year."

**Sports:** "In most games this season, it's been Shepherd or nothing for the Greyhounds. In four of the six wins, Billy has netted 30 or more points. He flipped in 36 against Westfield, 34 in the North Central game, 33 against Zionsville and 30 in the tourney affair with Crawfordsville. He notched 20 points and played less than three quarters in the win over Chatard and added 24 in a win over Northwest in a game in which Carme scored just 51 points."

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# Carolyn Jean Hill

November 24, 1933 - February 6, 2016

Carolyn Jean Hill, 82, of Westfield passed away on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at Wellbrooke of Westfield. She was born on November 24, 1933 to Howard and Eva (Smith) Cook in Indianapolis. Carolyn had received her Master's degree in education from Butler University, and had been an elementary school teacher with the Indianapolis Public School System. She had also worked at the Indianapolis Children's Museum.



She is survived by son, Jeff (Joani) Hill; daughter, Kris (Joe) Myetich; and five grandchildren, Evan Hill, Ryan Burns, Kaitlyn Myetich, Allison Myetich and Jessie Hill.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, Bob Hill who passed away in 2014; and a son, Greg Hill.

The family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes with Carolyn's arrangements.

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# Kent Eugene Applegate

April 11, 1955 - February 8, 2016



Kent Eugene Applegate, 60, of Noblesville, died on Monday, February 8, 2016 while holding hands with his wife, Chris, of 25 years, after a brief encounter with pancreatic cancer. He was born on April 11, 1955 to the late Joseph and Maxine (Kidwell) Applegate in Anderson, Indiana. He graduated from Madison Heights High School in Anderson.

Kent always had an interest in cars and got his first job as a mechanic when he was 16. He worked his way to become an ASE Certified Master Automobile Technician, opening his first shop in Noblesville in 1981, Holt Muffler. As business increased, additional services became available and Kent's Automotive was opened in Noblesville. Kent was a member of the Sons of the American Legion and the NRA. He loved riding his Harley and hovercraft, and kept busy with his wife Chris doing projects, like gardening, around their home. Kent never lost his sense of humor, in spite of the cancer being sudden and aggressive.

He appreciated all the prayers and support from numerous friends and family.

In addition to his wife, Kent is survived by two daughters, Jessica (Steve) Hatfield of Alexandria, IN, and Miki Blankenship of Fort Pierce, FL; four grandchildren, Christian, Taylor, and Kenny Hatfield, and Ryder Shoemaker; sisters, Terri (John) Johnson of Franklin, and Laura (Rex) Richards of Elkhart; and his brother, Brian Scott Applegate of Anderson.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, in Noblesville. Memorial Services will be held at 3:30 pm on Friday, February 12 at the funeral home, with Pastor Doug Gast officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 5635 West 96th Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46278.

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# Daryl Hall & John Oates to perform at Klipsch July 24

Multi-platinum selling music artists and Rock & Roll Hall of Famers, **DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES** announced a summer amphitheater tour today. Produced by Live Nation, the tour featuring Sharon Jones & The Dap-Kings and Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue, will kick off on **Friday, May 13** and will make stops in 21 cities throughout the country including Los Angeles, Washington DC, Philadelphia, Chicago, Las Vegas, Boston, Seattle and more. A full list of tour dates and venues is below. *(Photo credit: Mick Rock)*

Citi cardmembers will have access to presale tickets for beginning today **Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 10:00 a.m. local time** through Citi's Private Pass Program.\* For complete presale details visit [www.citiprivatepass.com](http://www.citiprivatepass.com). Tickets go on sale starting **Friday, Feb. 12 at 10 a.m. local time** at [www.livenation.com](http://www.livenation.com). Fans with the Live Nation mobile app will have access to a password-free presale starting Wednesday, Feb. 10 at 10:00 a.m. The app pre-sale is only valid for Ticketmaster-ticketed venues. The app is available via the App Store and Google Play.

Friends of Daryl and John, Gene (Fred Armisen) and Clark (Bill Hader) from soft rock's seminal band, The Blue Jean Committee, have created a special video announcing the summer 2016 tour: <https://youtu.be/XNb5ZCR08ho>. To see the whole story of the Blue Jean Committee

check out the IFC app. The second season of Documentary Now! premieres in the Fall on IFC.

# New Hamilton East Public Library items

Here are the new Hamilton East Public Library items lists for the week of February 8, 2016:

## New Adult Fiction Books

1. The first order; by Abbott, Jeff
2. The girls she left behind: A Lizzie Snow novel; by Graves, Sarah
3. Vagabond; by Seymour, Gerald
4. Doom of the dragon; by Weis, Margaret
5. The plague of thieves affair; by Muller, Marcia
6. Even dogs in the wild: A novel; by Rankin, Ian
7. Orphan X; by Hurwitz, Gregg Andrew
8. The forgotten room; by White, Karen
9. The man without a shadow; by Oates, Joyce Carol
10. Feverborn: A fever novel; by Moning, Karen Marie

## New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Fodor's Chicago
2. Fodor's Bahamas; by Fodor, Eugene
3. Fodor's Spain; by Fodor, Eugene
4. Rick Steves' France; by Steves, Rick
5. Rick Steves' Provence & the French Riviera; by Steves, Rick
6. Fodor's ... England
7. Fodor's northern California; by Fodor's Travel Publications, Inc.
8. Fodor's southern California; by Fodor's Travel Publications, Inc.
9. The South American handbook
10. Rick Steve's London; by Steves, Rick

## New DVDs

1. Infinitely polar bear
2. The intern
3. Learning to drive
4. True detective. The complete second season
5. The walk
6. Hell & back
7. Our brand is crisis
8. Night at the museum. Secret of the tomb
9. Pitch perfect 2
10. The gift

## New Music CDs

1. Storyteller; by Underwood, Carrie
2. No one ever tells you; by MacFarlane, Seth
3. Ant-Man: Original motion picture soundtrack; by Beck, Christopher
4. The fantastic four: Original motion picture soundtrack; by Beltrami, Marco
5. Jurassic world: Original motion picture soundtrack; by Giacchino, Michael
6. Sicario: Original motion picture soundtrack; by Jóhann Jóhannsson
7. Bridge of spies; by Newman, Thomas
8. Cold beer conversation; by Strait, George
9. Tomorrowland: An original Walt Disney Records soundtrack; by Giacchino, Michael
10. San Andreas: Original motion picture soundtrack; by Lockington, Andrew

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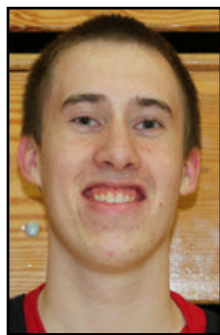


Bullard scores game winner ...

# Millers upset Pike

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

When it come to the conversation, Noblesville seems to be more and more the topic as basketball folks talk about who might win the Noblesville Sectional when played at The Mill in another couple of weeks.



Mertens

Miller coach Brian McCauley joined into that conversation last evening after his Noblesville team upset Pike, 58-56. At Pike.

“Our sectional is so competitive,” said McCauley. “Carmel beat Pike. Fishers beat Lawrence Central. Westfield is playing well. Hamilton Southeastern is trying to get healthy.”

Noblesville appears to be smack in the middle of the race for a title. The Pike team the Millers defeated last evening dropped only its fifth game of the season, also losing to Ben Davis, Carmel, Lawrence Central and Zionsville.

Pike went into the game ranked No. 6 in the 4A poll and No. 5 in the all-class rankings.

All of that for the Red Devils came crumbling down when big Grant Bullard, a 6-1, 235-pound junior, took a pass from John Kiser and scored the winning goal with just a couple of seconds remaining.

It was the only time Noblesville led in the game. The Millers were down 10 points in both the first and second quarters.

In the closing seconds, Pike missed three free throws and Noblesville re-

sponded with some 3-point shooting by Max Flinchum and Corby Mertens. Flinchum hit a boomer with 21 seconds left to tie the battle.

Pike missed a shot; Kiser rebounded for Noblesville, and all eyes were on Kiser on the fast break to glory.

“John got the ball off to Grant and Bullard did the rest,” said McCauley.

“Kiser had a huge game,” said his coach. “He hit 10-of-19 shots; scored 22 points and had 4 assists and 4 rebounds.

Mertens also finished in double figures, netting 18 points. He hit 4-of-5 shots from 3-point range. Flinchum was 2-of-4.

Bullard led Noblesville with 6 rebounds. McGwire Plumer dished out 4 assists.

Noblesville, now 11-7, is facing a string of three straight home games in The Mill. The Millers will meet Howe in a makeup game from earlier in the season on Saturday evening.

## Noblesville 58, Pike 56

|   |       |     |    |         |
|---|-------|-----|----|---------|
| Noblesville   | FG    | FT  | TP | PF      |
| Max Flinchum  | 2-6   | 0-0 | 6  | 1       |
| McGwire Plumer  | 1-2   | 0-0 | 2  | 4       |
| Ryan Ogden  | 2-3   | 0-0 | 4  | 3       |
| Nolan Ginther   | 0-0   | 0-0 | 0  | 2       |
| John Kiser  | 10-19 | 2-3 | 22 | 2       |
| Corby Mertens   | 5-6   | 4-6 | 18 | 3       |
| Grant Bullard   | 3-3   | 0-0 | 6  | 3       |
| Brandon Barthel   | 0-0   | 0-0 | 0  | 1       |
| Nick Mills  | 0-0   | 0-0 | 0  | 0       |
| Totals  | 23-39 | 6-9 | 58 | 19      |
| Score by Quarters   |       |     |    |         |
| Noblesville   | 11    | 16  | 12 | 19 - 58 |
| Pike  | 18    | 13  | 12 | 13 - 56 |
| Noblesville 3-point shooting (6-10) Mertens 4-5, Flinchum 2-4, Kiser 0-1.                                 |       |     |    |         |
| Noblesville rebounds (16) Bullard 6, Plumer 2, Kiser 2, Barthel 2, Mertens 1, Ogden 1, Ginther 1, team 1. |       |     |    |         |



Kent Graham/File photo

This picture of Noblesville’s Grant Bullard (right) helping up John Kiser (left) at an earlier game proved to be prophetic: Kiser’s pass resulted in Bullard making a layin at the buzzer Tuesday to send the Millers past Pike 58-56. Also pictured is Ryan Ogden, who scored four points.

Back-and-forth game...

# Raiders edge Westfield, 50-49

By RICHIE HALL  
Reporter Sports Editor

Westfield found itself on the wrong side of a truly back-and-forth game Tuesday, as the Shamrocks fell to Harrison 50-49 at The Rock.

Westfield led 45-44 with 3:15 left after Charlie Warner made a 3-point play, but the Raiders scored two consecutive baskets to get ahead 48-45. Ian Kristensen cut the lead back to one when he easily scored off a Jonah Welch steal.

The 'Rocks trailed 48-47 with 1:18 remaining.

But Harrison scored again on a layin, and held the lead from there. Kristensen made a putback to get Westfield within one again, but the Raiders stayed in front at the buzzer.

Kristensen started the game brilliantly for the Shamrocks, scoring nine first-quarter points and helping Westfield to a 15-8 lead. Warner added five points; both players made a 3-pointer during the period.

Harrison stormed back at the beginning of the second period, scoring six unanswered points in the first 74 seconds of the quarter to cut the Shamrocks' lead to 15-14. Westfield did its best to hold off the Raiders, with another '3' from Warner pushing

the 'Rocks back up 25-21. But Harrison scored the final five points of the half, and that gave it a 26-25 lead at the break.

The Raiders led throughout the third quarter, going up as much as 35-27. Then it was Westfield's turn to come back. They closed to within 38-36 at the end of the period, then took a 39-38 lead at the beginning of the fourth on Warner's third 3-pointer of the night. The two teams then kept it close for the remainder of the game.

Warner wound up with 18 points, while Kristensen scored 16 and pulled seven rebounds.

The Shamrocks are now 8-10, and host Hamilton Heights Friday night.

## Harrison 50, Westfield 49

|   |       |      |    |         |
|---|-------|------|----|---------|
| Westfield   | FG    | FT   | TP | PF      |
| Kyle Nicole   | 1-2   | 0-0  | 2  | 2       |
| Robbie Lynch  | 2-4   | 0-0  | 4  | 1       |
| Jonah Welch   | 2-3   | 3-5  | 7  | 5       |
| Ian Kristensen  | 6-12  | 3-5  | 16 | 1       |
| Charlie Warner  | 7-16  | 1-1  | 18 | 1       |
| Josh Van Dyke   | 0-2   | 0-0  | 0  | 0       |
| Sawyer Olsen  | 1-3   | 0-0  | 2  | 1       |
| Caleb Welch   | 0-0   | 0-0  | 0  | 0       |
| Luke Haffner  | 0-0   | 0-0  | 0  | 0       |
| Totals  | 19-42 | 7-11 | 49 | 11      |
| Score by Quarters   |       |      |    |         |
| Harrison  | 8     | 18   | 12 | 12 - 50 |
| Westfield   | 15    | 10   | 11 | 13 - 49 |
| Westfield 3-point shooting (4-12) Warner 3-7, Kristensen 1-2, Van Dyke 0-1, Lynch 0-1, Olsen 0-1. |       |      |    |         |
| Westfield rebounds (20) Kristensen 7, Nicole 5, Warner 3, J. Welch 2, Olsen 2, Van Dyke 1.        |       |      |    |         |



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The Fishers boys basketball team was having fun before its Senior Night game with Anderson Tuesday. The Tigers won 88-66.

On Senior Night ...

# Tigers unload on Anderson

Any Anderson folks with high hopes of being transferred to the Noblesville Sectional this season might soon want to forget about a trip to Fishers last evening.

The Tigers roared past the Indians, 88-66.

Fishers did it in Senior Night style.

“All seven of our seniors were able to crack the scoring column,” pointed out Fishers coach Joe Leonard.

Fourteen Tigers played in the game; 13 scored.

One of the seniors, Cameron Wolter, led the scoring with 24 points. Lance Dollison also was in double figures with 11 markers.

Fishers sizzled the nets. The Tigers were 27-of-48 overall; 24-of-31 at the line, and 10-of-16 shooting 3-pointers. Andre Small and Joe Counts each connected on a pair of 3-pointers. Willie Jackson was 7-of-8, Jamil Turner-Hall 6-of-7 and Wolter 5-of-5 from the charity line.

Wolter hit 9-of-12 shots from the field.

With the win, Fishers moved back to a 50-50 record at 9-9.

Fishers still has a very tough week ahead, playing at Pendleton Heights on Friday and taking on Franklin Central Saturday at Bankers Life Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

## Fishers 88, Anderson 66

|                   |      |     |    |    |
|-------------------|------|-----|----|----|
| Fishers           | FG   | FT  | TP | PF |
| Lance Dollison    | 4-10 | 2-4 | 11 | 2  |
| Cameron Wolter    | 9-12 | 5-5 | 24 | 2  |
| Jamil Turner-Hall | 0-2  | 6-7 | 6  | 3  |
| Zach Eaton        | 1-1  | 0-0 | 3  | 0  |
| Andre Small       | 2-2  | 0-0 | 6  | 0  |

|                                  |       |       |    |         |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|----|---------|
| Caleb Reitz                      | 3-5   | 0-2   | 6  | 0       |
| Nick Michel                      | 1-2   | 0-0   | 3  | 1       |
| Tyler Wolfe                      | 1-5   | 2-2   | 5  | 2       |
| Connor Washburn                  | 2-3   | 0-0   | 4  | 3       |
| Reid Stephens                    | 1-2   | 0-0   | 3  | 1       |
| Willie Jackson                   | 0-1   | 7-8   | 7  | 2       |
| Joe Counts                       | 2-2   | 1-2   | 7  | 0       |
| Stevie Sontich                   | 1-1   | 1-1   | 3  | 0       |
| Jeremy Szilagyi                  | 0-0   | 0-0   | 0  | 0       |
| Totals                           | 27-48 | 24-31 | 88 | 16      |
| Score by Quarters                |       |       |    |         |
| Anderson                         | 15    | 12    | 14 | 25 - 66 |
| Fishers                          | 15    | 25    | 24 | 24 - 88 |
| Fishers 3-point shooting (10-16) |       |       |    |         |
| Small                            | 2-2   |       |    |         |
| Counts                           | 2-2   |       |    |         |
| Dollison                         | 1-4   |       |    |         |
| Wolfe                            | 1-3   |       |    |         |
| Michel                           | 1-2   |       |    |         |
| Eaton                            | 1-1   |       |    |         |
| Stephens                         | 1-1   |       |    |         |
| Wolter                           | 1-1   |       |    |         |
| Fishers rebounds (22)            |       |       |    |         |
| Dollison                         | 6     |       |    |         |
| Reitz                            | 5     |       |    |         |
| Wolter                           | 4     |       |    |         |
| Wolfe                            | 3     |       |    |         |
| Sontich                          | 3     |       |    |         |
| Washburn                         | 1     |       |    |         |

Photo by Kirk Green

RIGHT: Fishers coach Joe Leonard and his staff applauded as the Tigers’ seniors were recognized.

BELOW: Zach Eaton joined his family during Senior Night celebrations.





4th straight for 13-6 Huskies ...

# Heights defeats Frankton

Forget the classes, and the records, on this night it was two good basketball teams battling at the Husky Dome in Arcadia and when all was said and done Class 3A Hamilton Heights outslugged Class 2A Frankton, 80-66.

Still playing without the injured Hunter Crist, Coach Chad Ballenger got plenty of offense from his Huskies. Caymn Lutz led the scoring with 24 points and Sterling Weatherford netted 19. Also in double figures, with 11 points each, were Max Wahl and Austin Sauerteig.

Heights sizzled the nets, canning 26-of-51 shots, including a hot 8-of-18 night from 3-point range. Sauerteig nailed 3-of-4 boomers and Weatherford and Dustin Williams each added a pair.



Sauerteig

Also, Heights stuck 20-of-27 free throws. Wahl and Lutz each was 7-of-8 at the line.

Lutz had an outstanding overall game. He led the Huskies with 8 rebounds, picked up 4 steals and dished out 2 assists. Wahl had 8 assists and Weatherford collected six rebounds.

The Huskies took charge of the game in the second half. The battle was tied at 19-19 after one period and Frankton led 40-39 at halftime. Heights went on a 41-26 run in the second half.

For Heights, it was the Huskies' fourth straight victory and brought the team's record to 13-6.

The week isn't finished for Hamilton Heights, not by a long stretch. The Huskies will play at Westfield on Friday and then on Saturday will host Class 4A powerhouse Lawrence North.

## Heights 80, Frankton 66

| Heights   | FG    | FT    | TP | PF |
|---|-------|-------|----|----|
| Max Wahl  | 2-7   | 7-8   | 11 | 2  |
| Caymn Lutz  | 8-13  | 7-8   | 24 | 1  |
| Sterling Weatherford  | 7-14  | 3-5   | 19 | 2  |
| Drake House   | 0-0   | 1-2   | 1  | 1  |
| Dustin Williams   | 2-5   | 0-0   | 6  | 1  |
| Noah Wallace  | 0-1   | 0-0   | 0  | 1  |
| Tyler Wiltermood  | 3-4   | 1-1   | 7  | 1  |
| Austin Sauerteig  | 4-6   | 0-0   | 11 | 2  |
| TJ Freeland   | 0-1   | 1-3   | 1  | 4  |
| Totals  | 26-51 | 20-27 | 80 | 15 |
| Score by Quarters:  |       |       |    |    |
| Heights   | 19    | 20    | 18 | 23 |
| Frankton  | 19    | 21    | 9  | 17 |
| Heights 3-Pointers (8-18): Wahl 0-4, Lutz 1-1, Weatherford 2-4, Williams 2-4, Wallace 0-1, Sauerteig 3-4. |       |       |    |    |
| Heights Rebounds (23): Wahl 1, Lutz 8, Weatherford 6, Williams 2, Wiltermood 4, Sauerteig 1, Freeland 1.  |       |       |    |    |

Four players in double figures...

# Short-handed 'Blazers handle Gryphons

Senior captain Connor Holly turned in a masterful performance to lead a short-handed University Trailblazers team to a 69-44 win over the International School of Indiana Tuesday night.

Holly made 6 of 10 three pointers on his way to 28 points, tying his career high. The 6-2 senior dished out seven assists, pulled down six rebounds and made three steals.

Three other Trailblazers hit double figures. Josh Alford had a career high 18 points on seven of eight shooting inside the arc and a perfect four for four at the line. Josh Watson hit a trio of three pointers and had 11 points while Emerson Halbleib had a solid all around game with 10 points, seven rebounds and five assists.

Junior Tyler Wott made his first career start and responded with five rebounds

(including three offensive caroms), three assists and two points. Wott made the start as University played without starters Zack Hodgins and David Howard and key reserve Sam Nerney, all of whom missed the contest with injury or illness.

"We played well as a team" said University Coach Brandon Lafferman. "We did a good of sharing the ball with 17 assists on 27 field goals. All five starters played well. Connor Holly had an amazing stat line. Tyler Wott stepped up and filled some big shoes tonight. Emerson Halbleib did a good job against Mawich (6-10 International freshman Mawich Kachjaani) and made some strong moves on offense."

University never trailed in the game. The Blazers raced to an early 9-2 lead off five points from Holly, an Alford layin and a Halbleib dunk.

The Gryphons closed to within 15-14 early in the second quarter before University went on a 13-2 run to take control of the game. Holly hit a pair of three pointers and a two pointer in the burst, with Alford making two baskets and Halbleib added a free throw. The Trailblazers led by at least ten

points the rest of the way and had a 36-21 halftime lead.

Kachjaani led International with 24 points.

University will host Covenant Christian Friday evening. The 2A Warriors will bring a 13-6 record to the U Center.

University's Pioneer Academic Athletic Conference third place game against Central Christian, to be played at Shortridge on Saturday has been moved to 7 p.m. The game was originally scheduled for 5 p.m., but was moved to accommodate a reschedule of the Liberty Christian versus Crispus Attucks championship game due to Liberty Christian's girls competing in IHSAA regional play on Saturday.

## University 69, International 44

| University  | FG    | FT  | TP | PF |
|---|-------|-----|----|----|
| Josh Alford   | 7-12  | 4-4 | 18 | 2  |
| Connor Holly  | 11-20 | 0-0 | 28 | 2  |
| Emerson Halbleib  | 4-5   | 2-4 | 10 | 4  |
| Josh Watson   | 4-9   | 0-0 | 11 | 2  |
| Tyler Wott  | 1-2   | 0-0 | 2  | 1  |
| Ethan Sickels   | 0-0   | 0-0 | 0  | 0  |
| Ben Glazier   | 0-2   | 0-0 | 0  | 0  |
| Grant Schepers  | 0-0   | 0-0 | 0  | 1  |
| Ajay Wooden Jr.   | 0-0   | 0-0 | 0  | 0  |
| Totals  | 37-50 | 6-8 | 69 | 12 |
| Score by quarters   |       |     |    |    |
| International   |       |     |    |    |
| University  |       |     |    |    |
| University 3-point shooting (9-21) Holly 6-10, Watson 3-7, Glazier 0-2, Alford 0-2.               |       |     |    |    |
| University rebounds (25) Halbleib 7, Holly 6, Wott 5, Alford 3, Watson 2, Glazier 1, Wooden Jr 1. |       |     |    |    |



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Five Guerin Catholic players in double figures...

# Golden Eagles fly past Heritage

Five players scored in double figures Monday night as Guerin Catholic defeated Heritage Christian 72-48 in boys basketball action.

Guerin Catholic jumped out to a 26-16 lead in the Eagles Nest after one period behind the play of Calen Cunningham. The senior forward scored eight points before being forced to leave the court with less than a minute to go after taking an elbow to his nose on a shot attempt.



Cunningham

He did not return to action until after halftime, but Coach Pete Smith said his fast start in both halves were instrumental in his squad's fifth win in a row. Cunningham finished with 14 points and a game-high eight rebounds.

Guerin Catholic (10-11) led 44-27 at intermission, in part due to their 7-10 shooting from behind the 3-pt. line. After halftime the Smith's squad played very patient, solid basketball, building a 28-point lead midway through the fourth quarter.

The four other Golden Eagles scoring in double figures were Christian Munson scored 17 points, Rhett Helt with 13 points, Jack Hansen with a dozen, and Matthew Godfrey, who only missed one shot from

the field, added 10 points despite playing only half the game. Smith was pleased with the final rebound numbers, where GC didn't allow an offensive rebound in the second half and only two for the entire game.

"It was one of our best blocking out performances of the season so far," said the coach.

|  |       |      |    |         |
|--|-------|------|----|---------|
| Calen Cunningham   | 6-9   | 2-2  | 14 | 3       |
| Joey Weas  | 1-3   | 0-0  | 2  | 2       |
| Rhett Helt   | 4-5   | 3-3  | 13 | 2       |
| Grant Fremion  | 0-2   | 0-0  | 0  | 0       |
| Christian Daniels  | 1-4   | 0-0  | 3  | 3       |
| Luke Godfrey   | 0-1   | 1-2  | 1  | 0       |
| Zach Munson  | 0-1   | 0-0  | 0  | 2       |
| Andrew Sharpe  | 0-1   | 0-0  | 0  | 1       |
| Totals   | 28-54 | 7-10 | 72 | 16      |
| Score by Quarters  |       |      |    |         |
| Heritage   | 16    | 11   | 11 | 10 - 48 |
| Guerin   | 26    | 18   | 11 | 17 - 72 |
| Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (9-19) C. Munson 3-4, M. Godfrey 2-3, Helt 2-3, Daniels 1-3, Hansen 1-1, Fremion 0-2, Lindley 0-2, Sharpe 0-1.              |       |      |    |         |
| Guerin Catholic rebounds (33) Cunningham 8, C. Munson 5, Lindley 5, Helt 3, Weas 3, Daniels 3, Hansen 2, Fremion 1, M. Godfrey 1, L. Godfrey 1, Z. Munson 1. |       |      |    |         |

## Guerin Catholic 72, Heritage Christian 48

|                  |      |     |    |    |
|------------------|------|-----|----|----|
| Guerin           | FG   | FT  | TP | PF |
| Christian Munson | 7-13 | 0-0 | 17 | 0  |
| Cameron Lindley  | 0-2  | 0-0 | 0  | 0  |
| Matthew Godfrey  | 4-5  | 0-1 | 10 | 1  |
| Jack Hansen      | 5-8  | 1-2 | 12 | 2  |

The 4A chase is on ....

# Guerin travels to Franklin Central

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

There are very few plans that Pete Smith puts on the table without a purpose for success. That's a reason why the guy in 25 years has won 357 basketball games, including a 173-81 12-year record at Guerin Catholic.

The coach has been around the block a time or two. So, when the IHSAA kicked the Golden Eagles up a notch to 4A this season after being too successful (it's called the success factor) the last two years in 3A, Smith started planning for the 4A sectional which will be held at The Mill in Noblesville.

"With our move to 4A, we wanted to end our regular season with 4A schools heading into the sectional," Smith said.

That move will begin Friday when Guerin Catholic visits Franklin Central, before ending the regular season with games against 4A Pendleton Heights and Anderson. In fact, Anderson will play in the same sectional as Guerin Catholic.

The Friday meeting will be the first ever between Franklin Central and Guerin Catholic. The Eagles, following a Monday night win over Heritage Christian, are 10-11 on the year. Franklin Central is 13-4.

"Franklin Central has a legitimate all-star candidate in Marcus Burks, and they play off him very well," Smith said. That should make for a perfect match-up between Burks and Guerin Catholic's all-star candidate, Christian Munson, who is averaging 22 points a game. Munson is one of three Golden Eagles averaging in double figures. Matthew Godfrey is at 13.7 and Jack Hansen at 11.7.

"Franklin Central has good size," Smith continued. "They will be as good of an opponent as we've played this season. They're beasts on the offensive boards and they play very physical defensively."

Franklin Central's four losses have been to Ben Davis 60-50, Perry Meridian 64-60, Bloomington South 75-64 and Terre Haute South 93-71.

"We've been playing better," Smith talked about his own team. "So, so much better than in December and when in mid-January when we dropped three in a row. Having Cameron Lindley back really helps leadership-wise and in our transition game.

"However," Smith added, "we'll need to play better Friday night. Only Bloomington South has beat Franklin Central on their home court."

2 teams playing well...

# Sheridan to entertain Carroll

By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

Somehow it never seems fair when facing an opponent which at the time of the game is playing its best basketball of the season.

It will be that way, yet a little different, when Sheridan hosts Carroll this Friday evening at Hobbs Memorial Gym in Sheridan.

Carroll is playing its best basketball of the season. So are the Blackhawks.

Coach Chris Schrank's Sheridan club has split its last 10 games, moving to 7-13 on the season. The Blackhawks went through December 0-6 and lost their first game in January to extend the losing string to 7 before turning around the season.

It has taken Carroll a bit longer. The Cougars lost 8 straight games before now winning 4 of their last 5. The loss was to Clinton Central, 70-66 in the recent Hoosier Heartland Conference tourney. Sheridan lost to Clinton Central 60-58 early in the season. Carroll's 4 wins have been over Tri-Central 50-57, Faith Christian 63-59, Frontier 62-37 and Delphi 59-46. Sheridan has beaten Faith Christian 73-66, Frontier

59-29 and split with Tri-Central, losing 76-60 and then winning 54-45 in the conference tourney.

"Carroll is playing better of late," said Schrank. "They struggled in the first half of the year, but they have turned it around. Their big man, Spencer Sproul, has played well for them, and he is a bit of a tough match up."

Sproul is averaging 12.9 points a game. "I expect this to be a good game as both teams have played better of late, and we do match up pretty well with one another," added Schrank.

Sheridan is coming off a 69-46 pounding of North Miami.

"The win was important for us to continue to build a little momentum," Schrank said. "We played especially well in the second half. We didn't defend very well in the first half, but made a change and picked up our energy in the second half.

"If we defend like we are capable, we will give ourselves a chance to win," said the coach

Carroll has beaten Sheridan three consecutive times, going back to a 68-32 Blackhawk victory in 2011-12.

Sheridan has two players averaging in double figures. The leader is senior Chris Roberts at 12.5. Senior Jake Chesney is scoring 10.0 points a game. Roberts leads the team in rebounding, averaging 5.4.

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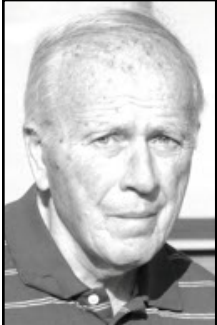
By DON JELLISON  
Reporter Editor

I’ve never asked the coach, so I’m not certain, but I’ve always thought that Brian McCauley’s lone regret about leaving Kokomo and coming to Noblesville was not being able to bring Terry Downham with him.

I first met Terry a lot of years ago. I’m not sure what is his title at Kokomo. His job description, I think, is helping out the press, local and visitors, and helping coaches survive better while working with guys like me. As I recall, I think the last time I saw Terry I was having trouble making it into the press box at Kokomo Memorial Gym. I’ll give Terry an “A” for effort.

I’ve always been awed when attending games at Kokomo Memorial Gym. I haven’t gotten there much in recent years because of the new paths the IHSAA sends Hamilton County teams. But, I still remember back to the old days when Glen Harper would load up the Millers at regional time in the one class tourney and give the Wildcats all kinds of fits in their own ball hall. Harp even won a couple of regionals at Kokomo, and those two years will always remain special memories for me.

But, back to Terry Downham. As usual, he has produced a special publication on an event Kokomo will hold. This time it’s Saturday’s Class 4A girls basketball regional. Carmel, of course, is one of the four teams and that’s the



| The Rankings |                 |                  |                         |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| School       | ICGSA           | IBCA             | Sagarin                 |
| Zionsville   | NR              | NR               | 36 in 4A                |
| Carmel       | 7 <sup>th</sup> | 10 <sup>th</sup> | 5 <sup>th</sup> in 4A   |
| East Noble   | NR              | NR               | 104 <sup>th</sup> in 4A |
| Homestead    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> in 4A   |

reason I have received, through Carmel athletic director Jim Inskeep, a copy of Terry’s latest master piece.

Here are some regional notes Terry sent along, which I’m sure will be of interest to Carmel fans.

The winner of the Kokomo Regional will play in either the Crown Point or Carroll semi-sate.

The winner of the Kokomo Regional will play the winner of the LaPorte Regional, where the matchups this Saturday are Gary West (19-4) vs. Penn (24-2) and Merrillville (19-6) vs. LaPorte (19-6).

Homestead and East Noble won sectionals on their home court. Zionsville won at McCutcheon and Carmel at Westfield.

Homestead is the top scoring team in Class 4A with a 72.8 point average per game. The Lady Spartans are third in all classes, trailing Tindley, 86.8 in 1A, and Oregon-Davis, 83.0 in 2A.

Zionsville and Carmel will play in the first game on Saturday. Although the schools are about 10 miles apart, they did not play during the regular season.

Homestead and East Noble are about 35 miles apart, but they did not play during the regular season.

Carmel is the biggest school in the Kokomo Regional field with close to 5,000 students. The Greyhounds are also the largest in the state. Homestead has around 2,300 students, while Zionsville has around 1,800 and East Noble 1,250.

Homestead was first in the 10-team Summit Athletic Conference with a 9-0 record, while East Noble was tied for first in the 8-team Northeast Eight Conference with Norwell.

Zionsville was third in the 7-team Hoosier Crossroads, trailing Westfield and Noblesville, while Carmel was fourth in the 8-team MIC behind Lawrence North, Pike and North Central.

East Noble began in 1966, a consolidation of Kendallville and Avilla high schools.

Homestead came into existence in 1970.

Zionsville High School traces its history back to 1885, and Carmel has roots back to 1887.

Carmel was 17-8 a year ago and lost to Noblesville 60-55 in their sectional opener.

Zionsville was 4-16 last season and fell to Fishers 46-21 in the sectional. The Eagles’ turnaround to 20-3 this season is the largest in the state.

East Noble was 18-7 in 2014-15 and lost their sectional opener to Carroll 47-40.

Homestead was 26-3 last year and won the Homestead Sectional, Kokomo Regional and Crown Point Semi-State before falling to Columbus North 62-56 in the State Finals.

# Lions sweep WACHE in back-to-back games

Two games featuring the same two teams couldn't have been any different had they been set up that way. The Northside HomeSchool Lions and Bluffton's WACHE HomeSchool Warriors played a defense dominated game last Thursday with the Lions coming out on top in the end 40-39. Caleb Jones hit Graham Stieglitz under the basket at the end of the game but his shot didn't drop at the buzzer. But Stieglitz was fouled on the shot and he stepped to the line and nailed the first of two free throws to win the game with no time left.

On Monday night WACHE came visiting Northside in Noblesville for a rematch that was every bit as contested as the Thursday night game but with added offensive punch to go with the tenacious defense both clubs exhibited in their first game.

WACHE jumped out to a 7-0 lead to start the game as they did in the first game. But that is as alike as the game would get to resembling the first match-up. The Lions fought back to take the lead and held on for a 18-15 first quarter advantage. The Warriors outscored the Lions in the second quarter to tie the game at 35-35 at the intermission. The first half was only a prelude to what was to come in the second half.

The Northsiders came out firing in the 3rd quarter putting up 18 points while holding the Warriors to 8. When the dust had settled the Lions were on top by 10 leading 53-43 going into the final stanza. The Warriors had a big run left in them and finally cut the score to 61-58 with a 1:31 left in the game. But the WACHE had to start fouling when the Lions started pulling the ball out on offense to eat the clock. Northside marched a parade to the foul line the rest of the way and held the ball at mid-court the last 30 seconds of the game to

take the win 71-62 and sweep the 2 game set with WACHE.

The Lions were lead in scoring by Aarons Tharp's 21 points including 9-10 from the charity stripe. He was followed by Riley Vitales, Erik Job and Stephen Schwartz with 10 each. Other Lions who hit the scoring column were Daniel Abbott 9, Graham Stieglitz 7 and Caleb Jones 4. Schwartz had an outstanding game under the boards collecting 6 blocked shots to go with 6 rebounds.

With the win, the Lions (20-9) extend their streak of 20 win seasons to 5. Northside will play their final regular season game of the year Friday night when they honor their seniors on Senior Night against Lafayette's Tippecanoe Tornadoes.

| Northside Lions 71, WACHE Warriors 62 |  |       |    |    |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------|----|----|
| Northside                             | FG   | FT    | TP | PF |
| Daniel Abbott                         | 4-9  | 1-1   | 9  | 1  |
| Riley Vitales                         | 2-5  | 6-6   | 10 | 0  |
| Ian Smith                             | 1-3  | 0-0   | 0  | 1  |
| Erik Job                              | 0-1  | 0-1   | 10 | 3  |
| Stephen Schwartz                      | 2-3  | 4-7   | 10 | 2  |
| Aaron Tharp                           | 2-7  | 9-10  | 21 | 1  |
| Caleb Jones                           | 2-3  | 2-3   | 4  | 2  |
| Graham Stieglitz                      | 4-14   | 1-1   | 7  | 1  |
| Totals                                | 15-44  | 23-29 | 71 | 11 |
| Score by Quarters:                    |  |       |    |    |
| Northside Lions                       | 18   | 17    | 18 | 18 |
| WACHE Warriors                        | 15   | 20    | 08 | 19 |
| Northside 3-Point Shooting (2-8):     | Abbott 0-1, Vitales 0-1, Smith 0-1, Job 0-1, Tharp 2-5.                |       |    |    |
| Northside Rebounds (24):              | Abbott 3, Vitales 2, Job 4, Schwartz 6, Tharp 6, Jones 1, Stieglitz 2. |       |    |    |
| Northside Assists (11):               | Abbott 4, Vitales 1, Schwartz 2, Tharp 2, Jones 2.                     |       |    |    |
| Northside Steals (7):                 | Vitales 1, Schwartz 1, Tharp 3, Jones 1, Stieglitz 1.                  |       |    |    |
| Northside Blocked Shots (10):         | Vitales 2, Job 1, Schwartz 6, Stieglitz 1.                             |       |    |    |
| Northside Turnovers:                  | 12   |       |    |    |



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The Northside Lions’ Daniel Abbott hits from the corner for two of his nine points in the Lions’ win over the WACHE Warriors.

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# NBA standings

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| <b>Tuesday's scores</b><br>San Antonio 119, Miami 101<br>Washington 111, New York 108<br>Milwaukee 112, Boston 111<br>Utah 121, Dallas 119<br>Golden State 123, Houston 110 | L.A. Clippers at Boston, 7:30 p.m.<br>Memphis at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.<br>Denver at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.<br>L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 8 p.m.<br>Atlanta at Chicago, 8 p.m.<br>Toronto at Minnesota, 8 p.m.<br>Utah at New Orleans, 8 p.m.<br>Golden State at Phoenix, 9 p.m.<br>Houston at Portland, 10:30 p.m. |
| <b>Wednesday's games</b><br>Charlotte at Indiana, 7 p.m.<br>San Antonio at Orlando, 7 p.m.<br>Sacramento at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  |   |

| Eastern Conference |    |    |      |      | Western Conference |    |    |      |      |
|--------------------|----|----|------|------|--------------------|----|----|------|------|
| East               | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   | Northwest          | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| Toronto            | 35 | 16 | .686 | -    | Oklahoma City      | 39 | 14 | .736 | -    |
| Boston             | 31 | 23 | .574 | 5.5  | Utah               | 26 | 25 | .510 | 12.0 |
| New York           | 23 | 32 | .418 | 14.0 | Portland           | 26 | 27 | .491 | 13.0 |
| Brooklyn           | 14 | 39 | .264 | 22.0 | Denver             | 21 | 32 | .396 | 18.0 |
| Philadelphia       | 8  | 44 | .154 | 27.5 | Minnesota          | 16 | 37 | .302 | 23.0 |
| Central            | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   | Pacific            | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| Cleveland          | 37 | 14 | .725 | -    | Golden State       | 47 | 4  | .922 | -    |
| Indiana            | 28 | 24 | .538 | 9.5  | L.A. Clippers      | 35 | 17 | .673 | 12.5 |
| Chicago            | 27 | 24 | .529 | 10.0 | Sacramento         | 21 | 31 | .404 | 26.5 |
| Detroit            | 27 | 26 | .509 | 11.0 | Phoenix            | 14 | 39 | .264 | 34.0 |
| Milwaukee          | 21 | 32 | .396 | 17.0 | L.A. Lakers        | 11 | 43 | .204 | 37.5 |
| Southeast          | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   | Southwest          | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| Atlanta            | 30 | 24 | .556 | -    | San Antonio        | 44 | 8  | .846 | -    |
| Miami              | 29 | 24 | .547 | 0.5  | Memphis            | 30 | 22 | .577 | 14.0 |
| Charlotte          | 26 | 26 | .500 | 3.0  | Dallas             | 29 | 26 | .527 | 16.5 |
| Washington         | 23 | 27 | .460 | 5.0  | Houston            | 27 | 27 | .500 | 18.0 |
| Orlando            | 23 | 28 | .451 | 5.5  | New Orleans        | 19 | 32 | .373 | 24.5 |

After placing top eight at regionals...

# Three county divers qualify for state

Three Hamilton County divers qualified for the girls state swimming and diving finals after their performances at the Fishers diving regional on Tuesday.

Leading the way was Fishers' Maddie Folta, who placed fourth with a score of 418.40 points. Halli Siwik of Hamilton Southeastern finished sixth with 384.50, and Noblesville's Megan Hayes grabbed the eighth qualifying spot by scoring 362.40. The top eight finishers among the four diving regionals in Indiana advance to the state meet.

Other county divers at regional were HSE's Sarah Allison (10th, 356.45), Carmel's Emma Toomey (11th, 352.95) and Noblesville's Delaney Riester (12th, 348.35).

The first-round of state diving begins at 9 a.m. Saturday morning with five dives by each of the 32 state qualifiers. After that, the field is cut to 20 and each diver will have three more dives in the semi-finals.

The top 16 after the semis will get three more dives that afternoon, with the leader crowned the state champion.



Photo by Bret Richardson

Noblesville senior Megan Hays qualified for state at the IHSAA dive regional held at Fishers HS. Hays won diving at sectionals and has also committed to dive for Clemson University in the fall.

### 11 Hamilton County football players on Region 8 team

Eleven Hamilton County players were named to the Indiana Football Coaches Association's Region 8 All Star Football team for the 2015-16 season.

Two Hamilton Southeastern players were nominated on offense: Running back Aaron Matio and wide receiver Greg Miller. Also nominated were Westfield tight end Bryce Sears, Carmel center Chase Krauter, and two offensive linemen: Fishers' Titus Martin and Noblesville's Eric Ferguson.

Two more Carmel players were nominated on defense; both defensive ends: Rodney Hatwood and Sam Hipple. Also nominated on defense were Westfield defensive tackle Jon Mendoza, Guerin Catholic free safety Brennan Thiennemann and Sheridan cornerback Jacob Chesney.

### 50-point scorers headline IBCA/Subway Players of the Week

Indianapolis Tech senior C.J. Walker and Tindley sophomore Eric Hunter each poured in 50 points or better in a game last week, and the high-scoring duo leads the honorees in the IBCA/Subway Player of the Week program for the week of Feb. 1-6.

Walker and Hunter are joined by East Chicago Central senior Damien Jefferson, New Albany sophomore Romeo Langford, Gary West junior Dana Evans, Heritage Christian senior Tyasha Harris and Indian Creek senior Candace Danz as recipients in the recognition program coordinated by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association.

Jefferson and Evans are respective boys' and girls' honorees for District 1, while Walker and Hunter are boys' co-winners for District 2. Harris is the girls' District 2 recipient, while Langford and Danz are respective boys' and girls' winners for District 3.

The 6-0 Walker averaged 41.0 points, including a school-record 53-point outburst, in two games for Tech (14-4). The Florida State recruit opened with 29 points, three rebounds, five assists and four steals while playing just 2½ quarters because of injury in an 83-79 loss to Kokomo. He then broke loose for 53 points with six rebounds, three assists and one steal as the Titans dropped an 82-76 decision to Pike. In the record-setting game, Walker converted 18-of-30 shots, 6-of-10 3-pointers and 11-of-12 free throws.

Hunter set a school record of 50 points in the only game of the week for Tindley (14-4). The 6-3 guard added seven points, five rebounds and six steals as the Tigers posted a 104-69 victory over Indianapolis Washington. He sank 18-of-26 field goals, 4-of-8 3-pointers and 10-of-10 free throws during his big game.

The 6-4 Jefferson averaged 29.0 points and 8.0 rebounds in two triumphs for East Chicago Central (13-4). The New Mexico recruit tossed in 20 points with six rebounds in a 71-56 victory over Andrean. Jefferson followed by scoring 38 points with 10 rebounds as the Cardinals defeated Crown Point 80-73.

Langford averaged 38.5 points and 12.5 rebounds as New Albany improved to 16-1 for the season. The 6-4 standout delivered 44 points with 10 rebounds, three assists and four blocked shots in just three quarters in a 102-34 victory over Jennings County. He then tallied 33 points with 15 rebounds, six assists and four blocks in as the Bulldogs beat Columbus East 78-58. Over the two games, Langford was 28-of-42 from the field, 12-of-20 on 3-pointers and 9-of-12 on free throws.

The 5-6 Evans averaged 40.0 points and 4.0 rebounds in leading Gary West (19-4) to the championship of girls' Sectional 1. Evans scored 37 points with four rebounds, one assist and four steals to spark the Cougars to a 64-49 victory over Hammond Morton. She followed by pouring in 43 points with four rebounds, two assists and four steals in an 84-73 triumph over East Chicago Central. Evans made 24-of-54 field goals, five 3-pointers and 27-of-30 free throws in the two games.

Harris produced 29.3 points and 5.3 rebounds as Heritage Christian (22-4) won three games to capture the Sectional 24 title. The 5-10 guard scored 20 points with seven points, four assists and two steals in an 86-36 victory over Guerin Catholic. She followed with a 40 points with five rebounds, three assists and five steals in a 74-37 triumph over Marion. Harris then tallied 28 points with four rebounds, four assists and two steals as the Eagles defeated Tipton 86-57. Over three games, Harris sank 32-of-53 shots, 3-of-8 3-pointers and 21-of-21 free throws.

The 5-6 Danz averaged 27.0 points and 7.3 rebounds as Indian Creek (20-4) claimed the crown in Sectional 28. Danz opened with 14 points, five rebounds, three assists and one steal as the Braves topped Indianapolis Washington 81-25. She netted 31 points with 10 rebounds, three assists and three steals in a 62-51 victory over Cardinal Ritter. Danz completed her week with 36 points, seven rebounds, four assists and one steal as the Braves edged Danville 71-70. In three games, she converted 25-of-45 field goals, 5-of-8 3-pointers and 26-of-31 free throws.

District 2 nominees from Hamilton County were Guerin Catholic's Christian Munson for the boys and Carmel's Amy Dilk for the girls.

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