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Atlanta wants investigation...

Did Jackson Township delete emails?

a complaint has been filed with the Indiana Public Access Counselor that alleges Jackson Township Trustee Chris Miller, Jackson Township Board President Jeff Roberts and board member Jerry Cook met with the township's financial advisor in regards to the dissolution of the Jackson Fire Territory. The complaint further alleges the decision to dissolve the fire territory was made during a meeting with no public notice.

As part of the complaint cell phone records of text messages allege Roberts suggested deleting emails in what the complaint identifies as public records regarding the township's decision to withdraw from the fire territory.

The complaintant, Mary Smith of Cicero, wrote in the narrative section of the formal complaint, "Chris and I spoke again around February 25 and she told me Jeff Roberts

The Hamilton County Reporter has learned and Glen Schwartz (board members) told her to delete e-mails that the town of Atlanta lawyer was requesting from her. The emails were about their decision behind closed doors to leave the territory. She said she was deleting e-mails."

> Atlanta officials confirmed they recently requested Jackson Township release all e-mails between Jeff Peters (a financial advisor for the township), board members and township Trustee Chris Miller.

> "Records provided to the Reporter are photocopies of what appears to be a cell phone screen that displays a chain of text messages. Jeff Roberts' name appears at the top of the photocopied screen along with Roberts' cell phone number," stated Hamilton County Reporter Publisher Jeff Jellison.

See Jackson Township...

Twitter threat leads to investigation

investigating a threatening comment made on Twitter late Wednesday night.

At approximately 11:23 p.m., the Noblesville Police Department opened an investigation into an incident involving threatening comments posted on Twitter. The comments made reference to the Noblesville High School and as a result, school officials were contacted. Since that time, investigators and school officials have been in non-stop communication with one another in order to ensure that all parties involved have the most up-to-date information.

thought to have information about the incident. After further investigation, those individuals were released. At this time,

Sheriff

The Noblesville Police Department is investigators from the police department continue to work on the case.

> Anyone with information regarding this investigation is encouraged to contact the Criminal Investigation Division at (317) 773-1300 or tips@noblesville.in.us.

Noblesville Schools released the following statement Thursday morning:

"Early this morning we were notified of a threat of violence made on Twitter against Noblesville High School related to an ugly, racially derogatory Twitter post made yesterday by one of our high school

"The safety and security of our students Investigators spoke with two individuals and staff is our top priority and we immediately engaged law enforcement and

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reminds Bowen reminds

residents of jury duty scam pervasive telephone scam that leaves victims open to theft and identity theft. The jury duty scam, along with the IRS scam, tax warrant scam, relative in need scam, home improvement scam, and others, come and go in cycles but all require potential victims to be aware of the issues. Most recently, the jury duty scam has once again

come to the forefront. The jury duty scam work like this:

The scammer calls claiming to work for the local court of Sheriff's office and in-



forms the victim of a failure to report for jury duty. The victim is told that an arrest warrant has been issued for failure 2 to report for jury

Hamilton County Sheriff Mark Bowen is duty. The victim will rightly claim that a once again reminding area residents of a jury duty notification was never received. The scammer will then either pressure the victim into sending money by prepaid credit card or wire transfer to take care of the warrant or ask the victim for confidential information to "verify" the warrant. Caller ID may show the call originating from an official number and the scammer may provide a callback number.

> Arrest warrants in Hamilton County are never served by telephone. To verify an active warrant, call 317-776-9800, option 2. Do not assume Caller ID or a callback number are legitimate. Scammers may also use names of local law enforcement officers or court officials to make the call seem more realistic. Do not be tempted to give out private information such as date of

See Jury duty scam... Page 2

Sheridan student receives prestigious **Lilly Scholar Award**

Sheridan High School's Alexandra (Allie) Hopkins has been named recipient of a fourfull-tuition year, scholarships as one of the Community Foundation of Boone County 2016 Lilly Endowment Community Scholars.

Hopkins of Sheridan High School will receive full tuition to the Indiana college of her choice and a \$900 stipend for required books equipment.

Allie, daughter of James & Trudy Hopkins, is a 4-year or alternates. The scholarship recipients member and captain of the Sheridan varsity track & field and varsity cross county team, National Honor Society member, National Forensic League, founder and captain of the school's debate team, Mock Trial and involvement, volunteerism and awards and Academic Super Bowl. Allie is student honors. body president and has been elected to student council all four years of high volunteered at Local Folks Foods and her of education. Indiana ranks among the church and is a 10-year 4-H member with lowest states in percentage of residents multiple awards. leadership within her school and her There were 142 scholarships awarded community, Allie was honored as a statewide. representative at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference. With the dream CFBC. of becoming a lawyer or teacher, Allie will



Allie Hopkins

attend Purdue University Butler University, where she plans to major in education and political science. This year, 63

students applied for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. Nine finalists took part in an interview process and four students were submitted Independent Colleges Indiana, Inc. (ICI)

as either nominees

are selected by a committee of county-wide volunteers who evaluate each student's academic performance, work experience, extracurricular activities, community

The scholarships are a result of a statewide Lilly Endowment initiative to Outside of school, she has help Hoosier students reach higher levels Recognized for her over the age of 25 with a bachelor's degree.

2016 marks the 25th anniversary for

County gets good COIT news

By FRED SWIFT

For Hamilton County, the news regarding a special distribution of County Option Income Tax (COIT) collections keeps getting better and better.

When the state legislature first announced it would distribute COIT trust fund balances, figures indicated the county's cities and towns along with county government would receive something over \$57 million. This was money over and above regular annual distributions collected over several years, but held by the state in

Now state officials have found the county is due \$65,41,334, and not known originally is the fact that townships and library districts will also share in the windfall. Hamilton County gets the largest amount of any county in the state, says State Sen. Luke Kenley.

Legislation provides that 75 percent of the money is to be used on road improvement, a topic that became a major issue in the recent session of the legislature. Since townships and libraries do not maintain roads, their money will go into their respective Rainy Day Funds.

On Tuesday Kenley provided The Reporter with the breakdown showing amounts to be

received by each unit of government. Distribution is scheduled to be made by June

The following listing shows those amounts to local units:

Hamilton County government \$18,174,620 City of Carmel \$15,374,140 City of Noblesville \$8,570,590 Town of Arcadia \$198,887 Town of Atlanta \$58,611 Town of Cicero \$487,197 City of Fishers \$9,512,713 Town of Sheridan \$373,544 City of Westfield \$4,956,054 Adams Township \$96,569 Clay Township \$1,941,988 Delaware Township \$182,594 Fall Creek Township \$213,101 Jackson Township \$107,005 Noblesville Township \$517,861 Washington Township \$269,543 Wayne Township \$88,459 White River Township \$93,223 Carmel Clay Library \$1,763,130 Hamilton East Library \$2,012,008 Hamilton North Library \$161,170 Sheridan Library \$76,846

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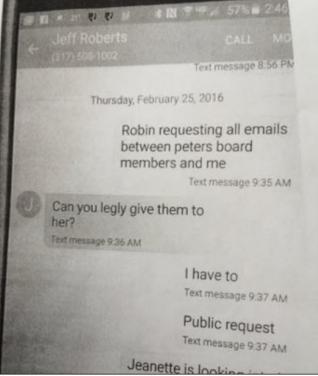
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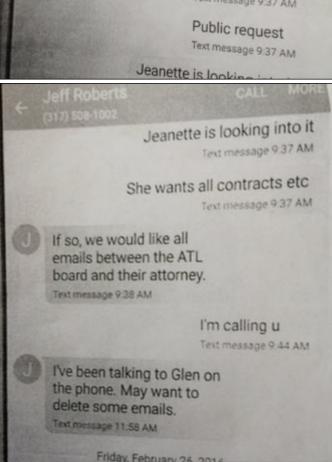
In the complaint Smith indicated a cell phone was left laying in front of her allowing her to view the text messages.

The photocopies indicate a chain of text messages occurred on Thursday, February 25 beginning at 9:35 a.m. with a text that states, "Robin requesting all emails between peters board members and me." The text message was responded to at 9:36 a.m. by a person identified as J, "Can you legly give them to her?" That message was followed by the original sender at 9:37 a.m. stating, "I have Public request. Jeanette is looking into She wants all contracts etc." responded at 9:38 a.m., "If so, we would like all emails between ATL board and their attorney." The original sender replied at 9:44 a.m. stating, I'm calling u." J responded at 11:58 a.m, "I've been talking to Glen on the phone. May want to delete some emails."

When asked about the text messages following Wednesday's Jackson Township Board meeting Roberts told the Reporter "I don't want to respond to that right now. I don't know what emails I would delete." Roberts followed that statement by saying, "Things were said in private that were meant to be kept in private."

Atlanta Town Board member John Phifer told the Reporter he believes enough information has come forward to justify an investigation concerning the potential of public information being deleted from Jackson Township records.





From Page 1 American Pickers coming to **Hamilton County**

The popular television show American Pickers is coming to Hamilton County next month to tape a segment for national viewing on the History Channel.

The Pickers will be at the Lake and Lodge Outfitters store in Arcadia, according to the business owner Gerry Hiatt. The exact dates of the taping and showing have not yet been announced.

Mike Wolfe and Frank Fritz are the pickers who appear regularly on the show which premiered in 2010. The two travel the country looking for antiques and collectables which they usually restore for resale. Their vigorous bargaining with owners is televised in the entertaining reality show.

The date for the segment from Lake and Lodge to be televised will be announced later. Hiatt said he was told six different visitors to his store had urged the Pickers producers to choose his store for the show.

Twitter threat...

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have been carefully monitoring this situation throughout the night.

"Based on consultation with the Noblesville Police Department, school will be in session today as usual. We will be providing increased police presence at the high school today for extra assurance of safety.

Additionally, we have addressed the racially inappropriate tweet with significant consequences for the student in question. We do not condone that type of behavior and are passionate about creating an environment where all our students feel safe and respected." The school provided this update to parents at approximately 11:30 a.m.:

"Hopefully by now all our of staff and parents are aware that an email communication went out this morning informing our community that a threat of violence was made on Twitter against Noblesville High School. The threat was related to a racially derogatory Twitter post a high school student made yesterday."

"The Noblesville Police Department informed us this morning that they had two individuals they were questioning related to this case. They have updated us now that those individuals have been released and their investigation is still active and ongoing. In consultation with the police, school is in session at NHS today as usual.

"We will continue to provide an enhanced police presence at the high school both today and tomorrow, and will update you with further information as it becomes available. Any persons with information about the threat should contact the Noblesville Police Department."

Jury duty scam...

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birth, social security number, or credit card numbers over the phone. Never be pressured into making a hasty decision over the telephone and always think twice before sending money by prepaid card or wire transfer. Transactions like these are nearly impossible to trace once sent.

Anyone receiving a potential scam call may contact Hamilton County Communications at 317-773-1282 to be connected to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

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Westfield Cleanup Initiative

Spring is here and the city is launching the Westfield Cleanup Initiative.

"As Westfield continues to grow, we think it's important to keep that same sense of small town pride in our community," Mayor Andy Cook said. "Residents and visitors to our community deserve clean roads to drive on, clean neighborhoods to live in and clean parks to play in."

The city is partnering with Brickman to clean Westfield's major thoroughfares, totaling 88 miles of roadway. The city will also begin to oversee the cleanup along US31 within Westfield's city limits.

This cleanup will focus on motorists discarding trash from their vehicles, illegal dumping and construction debris.

The city will also host a heavy trash drop-off day on Saturday May 14th from 8 a.m. to Noon at the city services facility located at 2728 E 171st Street. A second heavy trash day will occur in October. More details to come on the drop-off events.

Sheridan Rotary learns about Home Instead

Moira McCallin, Community Service Coordinator for Home Instead was a recent speaker to the Sheridan Rotary Club. She worked as a registered nurse in the United Kingdom for 24 years before moving to the USA in 2004. With aging parents in Ireland, Moira is very

aware of the challenges of living a distance away from family. In the last 18 months of her Dad's life, Moira learned firsthand the value of reliable caregivers coming in to her parents' home.

McCallin has worked with Home Instead since 2009, starting as a caregiver and moving on to be Client care Coordinator and Trainer. When her family moved to the Noblesville area late last year she was keen to continue working with Home Instead where she enjoyed helping families and seeing the difference Home Instead Senior Care made in their lives.

McCallin currently is the Community Service Representative for Home Instead and in that role she works to build relationships in the area to encourage people to turn to her when they have questions or concerns about the seniors they are in contact with.

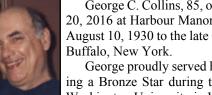
As parents and grandparents age, they may want and need additional companionship and help around the house. Home Instead Senior Care® in Noblesville offers many different types of in-home care that can be individualized to meet the needs of family

The Home Instead Senior Care network has been delivering in-home care for more than 20 years. All of the highly trained caregivers are bonded and insured for your peace of mind. Each caregiver completes a comprehensive training program to deliver individualized care with compassion.

Sheridan Rotary holds formal meetings at 6:15 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in the Community Room of the Sheridan Public Library.

George C. Collins

August 10, 1930 - March 20, 2016



George C. Collins, 85, of Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, March 20, 2016 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. He was born on August 10, 1930 to the late Constantine and Herma (Reinecke) Collins in

George proudly served his country in the United States Army, receiving a Bronze Star during the Korean War. He graduated from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. with a Bachelor's degree in Engineering. For 32 years, George worked as an engineer at Delco Remy,

and was a member of Indianapolis Liederkranz. He enjoyed sailing in his youth at college, investing, and working in his yard. George also enjoyed opera and watching the Indianapolis 500.

He is survived by his sister, Dorothy E. Quick; brother, John Collins; nephews, Manuel Arosemena and Juan (Lisa) Arosemena; great-niece, Nicole; great-nephews, Hayden and Alex; and his many friends in the Indianapolis Liederkranz.

Services will be held at a later date in Palm Harbor, Florida. George's care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes.

Memorial contributions may be made to Indianapolis Liederkranz, 1417 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46201-3846 or at www.indyliederkranz.org

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- Served United States Army, 1969-1971, First Lieutenant.

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Constance "Connie" Hubbard

March 26, 1936 - March 22, 2016

Constance "Connie" Hubbard, 79, of Cicero, passed away on Tuesday, March 22,



2016 at her home. She was born on March 26, 1936 to Charles and Mattie (Cawthorn) Minnix in Indianapolis, Indiana. Her father preceded her in death.

For over 10 years, Connie worked in Quality Assurance at King Systems Corp. She was a member of Noblesville Baptist Church, where she played the organ for many years. Connie an avid gardener, and was a loving Grandma who loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her mother, Mattie Evelyn Minnix; daughters, Deanna Pulley, Julie (Larry) White, Ronda Lindley, and Johnna (Mike)

Sjoerdsma; sons, David Hubbard and James Hubbard; brother, Marvin Minnix; sister, Donna Lintner; 15 grandchildren, Stephanie, Sherry, Bruce, Josh, Becky, Jacquie, Andrew, Ben, Rachel, Libby, Kylee, Sierra, Phoenix, Dominic & Kristin; and 10 greatgrandchildren.

Private services will be held. The family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes with Connie's care. Condolences: www.randallroberts.com

Ruth B. Hybarger

October 7, 1923 - March 20, 2016

Ruth B. Hybarger, 92, of Sheridan, passed away on the evening of Sunday, March 20, 2016 at Magnolia Springs Senior Living at Bridgewater in Carmel. She was born on October 7, 1923 to William and Mabel (Riddle) Burrows in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Ruth was a 1941 graduate of Broad Ripple High School, and graduated from Indiana Central College (now the University of Indianapolis). For 38 years, she was a teacher at Indianapolis Public Schools, retiring in 1986. Ruth enjoyed the Christmas season and celebrations, and loved reading, sports (especially the Chicago Cubs), and feeding & looking

after birds. Most of all, she loved her grandchildren and spending time with her beloved family.

Ruth is survived by her sons, H. Keith (Barb) Hybarger and H. Kim Hybarger; grandchildren, Hilary (Kyle) Bowman, Bethany (Matt) Moore, Heston Hybarger, and Katie Hybarger; great-grandchildren, Moriah Bowman and Savannah Moore; sister, Kack Moore; as well as several nieces & nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death in 1958 by her husband, Robert Edgar Hybarger; sisters, Lucy Truan and Sis Parry; and daughter-in-law, Debbie Hybarger.

Visitation was on March 24, 2016 at Harbour Shores Church in Cicero. Services were held on Friday, March 25, 2016 at the church, with Steve Kester officiating. Burial was at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Indianapolis Scholarship Fund, 1400 E. Hanna Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227 or at www.giving.uindy.edu Condolences: www.randallroberts.com

Andrew James "Jim" Lagomarcino

March 10, 1927 - January 9, 2016

Andrew James "Jim" Lagomarcino, 88, died at The Residences at Thomas Circle Senior Living in Washington, DC, January 9, 2016. Jim was a member of the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. Jim was born in Burlington, Iowa March 10th, 1927. Son of the late Ida (Snyder) Lagomarcino and Andrew Sylvester Lagomarcino.

Jim graduated High School in 1944, a member of National Honor society and earning eight varsity letters in athletics. He was an Eagle Scout. He attended the University of Iowa and started for the Hawkeyes Football team. In early 1945 he enlisted in the US Navy, serving aboard the USS Marine Phoenix as a Pharmacists Mate in the Pacific theater during WW ll. He returned to college after discharge from the Navy. He worked as a Park Ranger at Yellowstone National Park in 1948. He graduated from college in 1949 and started working in his family business, Lagomarcino-Grupe Wholesale fruit and vegetable company for two years. Jim then worked at Keokuk Electro-Metals Company in Human Resources, editing their employee magazine for eight years. During this time Jim was President of the Iowa Industrial Editors Association. Jim was offered a position with Perfect Circle, editing their in house magazine, the Magic Circle, in 1960 and moved his family to Hagerstown Indiana. After Dana Corporation acquired Perfect Circle Jim wanted to stay in Hagerstown and became a lifelong entrepreneur and publisher. He became part owner of V-Plex Clutch Corporation, helping manage and selling their products. Jim later purchased the Hagerstown Exponent newspaper with former coworker Floyd Lacy from Perfect Circle. Jim published the Hagerstown Exponent weekly

newspaper and administered printing production for Exponent Publishers until his retirement.

Jim was a member of Rotary Club-Paul Harris Fellow, Hagerstown/Nettle Creek School Corporation School Board, Wayne County Chamber of commerce, and past President of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association. Jim enjoyed working in his spare time as a High School and College Football Official, playing in his local poker club, playing bridge and Golf.

Jim was preceded in death by his sister, Joanne (Lagomarcino) Hurst, son Mark Andrew Lagomarcino, granddaughter Sarah Frances (David) Lagomarcino, wife Mary Jane "Janie" (Ellison) Lagomarcino, and companion Virginia "Ginny" (Jessen) Kraatz.

Survivors include sons, Joseph "Joe" Lagomarcino and David (Jennifer) Lagomarcino. Jacqueline "Jackie" (Mark) Lagomarcino. Grandchildren, Andrew (Reshma) Lagomarcino and Meghan (Lagomarcino) (Nick) Smith, Son and daughter of Mark. Anne (Esteban) (Lagomarcino) Sagredo, Nancy Lagomarcino, Daughters of Joe, and Hope Lagomarcino, daughter of David. Great Grand Children Samuel Sagredo (Anne), Brayden and Arya Lagomarcino (Andrew), and Calvin Smith (Meghan).

A Funeral mass was held at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle February 27th, 2016 in Washington, D.C.

A celebration of life will be held at Willie and Red's in Hagerstown, Indiana from 1-4 PM April 9th, 2016.

The family requests in lieu of flowers please donate in Jim's name to your favorite

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com

Jerry Leon Nuckols

October 1, 1947 - March 21, 2016

Jerry Leon Nuckols, 68, of Indianapolis, passed away on Monday, March 21, 2016 at home. He was born on October 1, 1947 to James and Nell (Furlong) Nuckols in Barren County, Kentucky.

Jerry was a warehouse manager for Cox Interior. He was a loving husband, father and Papa; and proudly served his country as a member of the U.S. Army. He was a member of Prayer & Praise Church in Woodstock, GA. His faith in Jesus was unfailing. He lived daily to bring glory to God through his actions. All who knew him, knew his love.

He is survived by his wife, Debbie Nuckols; son, Greg (Candy) Nuckols; two daughters, Denise (Todd) Huston and Julie (Matt) Edrington; two brothers, Bobby Nuckols and Daryl Nuckols; a sister, Dolores Wright; and six grandchildren.

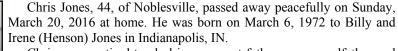
In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Charlotte Nuckols; a brother, Richard Nuckols; and a sister, Sherry Nuckols.

Services were held on Friday, March 25, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville with Pastor Larry Baker officiating. Visitation was on March 24, 2016 at the funeral home. Burial was at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville, Indiana.

Condolences: www.randallroberts.com

Chris Jones

March 6, 1972 - March 20, 2016



Chris was a retired truck driver, a great father, son, grandfather and brother who always gave great hugs. He was fun-loving, kind-hearted, generous and always helped those in need. He liked to play jokes, and never met a stranger. He enjoyed music, fishing, playing pool, working on cars, and loved animals. His favorite pastime was spending time with

his family. Chris always stood up for what he believed in; had accepted Christ and loved attending church at New Day Baptist Church in Alexandria.

He is survived by his mother, Irene Jones; children, Brian Jones, Bradley Jones, Jasmine Jones and Taylor England Jones; siblings, Janet (Mark) Shibata, Clint (Paula) Jones, Joyce (Allen) Rigney and Helen (Larry) Pullum; two grandchildren; and several nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Billy Jones; and two brothers, Frankie & Earl

Services were held on Saturday, March 26, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville with visitation prior to the service. Pastor Stephen Schultze officiated. Burial was at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Sheridan softball preview

By SHERIDAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT AUDREY REED

As softball season gets underway around the area, Sheridan will be taking on a tough season. The Blackhawks had a successful season last year with a winning record of 17-11 and earned second place in the Hoosier Heartland Conference led by six seniors and coach Joe Grant. Former senior Paige Forrester led the team on the mound, earning 11 of the 17 wins. Sheridan started out strong in Sectionals beating Tipton 11-6 in the first round and Alexandria 9-5 in the second round. The final round of Sectionals Sheridan fell short 0-5 to Elwood, ending their

I interviewed new head coach Mary Brunkhart to see how she feels going into her first season as Sheridan's softball coach.

Audrey Reed (AR): With you being the new coach to this year's team, what are your

Mary Brunkhart (MB): All players will show great sportsmanship on and off the field, putting academics first, then athletics. I would like to win our Sectional as we transition into our new conferences, outplaying our opponents physically and mentally. As this is my first year as head coach I would like to continue old traditions that benefit the program as a whole and begin new traditions adding my own unique characteristics from my previous talents and playing experiences. I understand this will take time and effort of all parties involved and I look forward to watching this young team grow together as a family, supporting one another in all aspects of the game of softball and life.

AR: What are your goals for this season?

MB: The goals I have for the upcoming season include cohesion of all players to utilize each and every team member's talents to excel in our new 1A position in our conference. I would like to be Sectional champs with a winning record of .500 or better.

AR: What do you think this year's team strengths will be?

MB: We have four talented pitchers that can offer advantages over the teams we will be competing against this season. We have a strong infield with multiple players that can be utilized with strong arms and defensive plays.

The Blackhawks began their season last week with a loss to Lebanon. The Blackhawks next face T.C. Howe at their home field at Biddle Park on Wednesday, April 6 at 5:30 pm.

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Celebrating 90 years



By JANET HART LEONARD

On Sunday afternoon I stood a few feet away from the people who, one by one, spoke to my Mom...and I listened.

For 90 years she has opened her home, her life and her heart to these people. And on that day, they celebrated her...by showing up.

I heard a man, named Joe, tell my mom that he is where he is today, because of her prayers. He was a part of the youth group in our church in the early 1970's. My mom and her friend Jackie Carter had a way of

quieting the rowdy and softening those with hard edges. Right Joe?

I heard my Aunt Mac tell her over and over how much she loved her. It wasn't that mom didn't know it. Mac just needed to remind her. They had grown up together along with nine, yes NINE, other siblings, one boy and ten girls, in the hills of Kentucky. They didn't have much money but they had love. They didn't have much education but they learned, often not the easy way, that you can't put a price on a life that is well lived and well loved.

And that is what I know about my mom...she knows love.

She sees people through eyes of love. She taught so many kids, in her Sunday School classes, about God and the Bible. One of the kids who was in her class, when he was five years old, sent me a message on Facebook, telling me that she was his favorite Sunday School teacher. Why? Because she taught him things that he would remember now, some fifty-five years later. God is love. Mrs. Hart told him so. She lived her faith. And she showed God's love.

My mom was celebrated, on Sunday afternnon, with hugs and cards and memories. All too often people wait, until something bad happens, to remember how much someone has meant to them and that they have made a difference in their life. And that is sad.

You see, I have watched my mom make a difference in the lives of so many. I wanted them to share their stories and share what she taught them. That...love is patient. Love is LONGsuffering (aka patient). Love is kind. Love honors. Love does not envy. Love does not keep a record of wrongs. Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes and always PERSEVERES. My mom and I Corinthians 13 say so.

I've always said that my mother has a hotline to heaven. I know that God recognizes her voice. He hears from her a lot. A few days ago my Aunt Nell posted on Facebook that she put someone on her church's prayer chain and her oldest sister's prayer list...my mom.

On that Sunday, loved showed up in so many ways from so many seasons of my mother's life. Sunday School Teacher. Girl Scout Leader. Deli Manager at O'Malia's Supermarket. Choir member at the Nazarene church. She may not have changed the world but she changed the world in which she lived. She made it nicer.

Now three things remain in a life well lived. Faith. Hope. Love. But the greatest of these is love. My mother has lived and loved well. Happy 90th Mom. You have taught me...and a lot of other kids, what is important in life. I pray we never forget.

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By DON JELLISON

Reporter Editor

"We return a lot of players with varsity experience and have a lot of young untested talent as well."

That's the word from Noblesville baseball coach Justin Keever as he prepares his Millers for the start of the 2016 season.

The Millers will open on Monday, hosting New Castle at Dunker Field. After that, Noblesville will be off for a three day, four game swing into Tennessee.

Five returning Millers each played in 29 games last season. They include Travis Gilliam, who will be at shortstop or in left field, second baseman Michael Carmosino, right fielder Austin Shirley, third baseman Connor Christman and first baseman Bryce Masterson.

Masterson will share the first base duties with Ty Lindstrand. Gillian or Neil Brown will be at short. Jackson Thurman will see playing time in left. Alex Cleverly will be behind the plate. Harris Camp will start in center field.

Gillian hit .383 as a sophomore last year and led the team in runs scored with 28. Christman led the team in hitting with a .409 percentage. Masterson batted .299.

Keever says his pitching rotation will include Cory Conway, Clayton Marowski and either Kade Gorman or Tyler Owens. Conway will be the ace of the staff. Last

year he went 7-3; had a 1.55 ERA and fanned 93 batters in 63.1 innings. We will continue to grow as a team against a very tough non-conference

schedule, in addition to our HCC gauntlet,' "I'm very excited about the leadership

Varsity Roster

Seniors: Michael Carmosino, Ty 5, Frankfort, 6 p.m. Lindstrand, Austin Shirley, Clayton 7, Fishers, 6 p.m. Marowski, Neil Brown, Julian Simac, 8, at Fishers, 6 p.m.

Cory Conway, Nolan Vallier, Connor Christman, Bryce Masterson.

Juniors: Travis Gillian, Alex Cleverly, Jackson Thurman, Michael Scalzo, Harris Camp, Dusti McLochlin.

Sophomores: Tyler Owens, Goudy, Kade Gorman. Freshmen: Reese Sharp.

Junior Varsity Black

Juniors: Jake Bowen, A.J. Farber, Cory Thornton, Nick Halbert, Dawson Armstrong, Dusti McLochlin, Michael Scalzo.

Sophomores: Jackson Ramey, J.W. Jellison, Sam Santos, Byrce Randolph, Tyler Owens, Mark Goudy, Dominic Borzabadi, Drew Wilson, Matt Furiak, Jacob Thieman.

Freshmen: DJ Owens, Reese Sharp, Zac Tuinei.

Junior Varsity Gold

Sophomores: Jack Adams, A.J. Gray, Ryan Plummer, Dominic Borzabadi. Freshmen: Matt Peek, Sebastian Dillion, Cade Nelis, Zach Gruver, Brady Walden, Jack Knight, Jacob Balazentis, Jackson Hancock, Clay Holzworth, Adam Bales, Andy Cleverly.

Noblesville Schedule

March 28, New Castle, 6 p.m.

31, at Smyma, Tenn, 6 p.m. **April**

1, at Collierville, Tenn, 12:30 p.m.

- 1, at Riverside, Tenn, 5:30 p.m.
- 2, at McCracken, Tenn, 10 a.m.



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Clayton Marowski will be part of the Noblesville baseball team's pitching rotation this season.

9, Fishers, 11 a.m.

14, at Westfield, 6 p.m. 15, Westfield, 6 p.m.

16, at Westfield, 11 a.m. 19, Zionsville, 6 p.m.

20, at Zionsville, 6 p.m. 21. Zionsville, 6 p.m.

23, Carmel, 7 p.m.

29. at McCutcheon, 6 p.m.

30, Miller Classic

3. Wapahani, 6 p.m.

5, at Southeastern, 6 p.m.

6, Southeastern, 6 p.m. 7, at Southeastern, 11 a.m.

10, at Kokomo, 6 p.m.

12, Brownsburg, 6 p.m. 13, at Brownsburg, 6 p.m.

14, Brownsburg, 11 a.m. 18, at Avon, 6 p.m.

19, Avon, 6 pm

20, at Avon, 6 p.m.

Crail, Harwood to lead the way...

Sheridan opens late

By DON JELLISON

Reporter Editor

we've seen thus far."

Sheridan will be one of the Hamilton County baseball teams last out of the gate, the Blackhawks opening on April 5 at Tindley. Sheridan's first home appearance isn't until April 16 against Tri-Central in a double-header.

"This team is young," reported Coach Matt Britt, "but we return some key players."

Sam Crail has recovered from an ACL tear and figures to be Sheridan's opening day shortstop and No. 2 pitcher behind Kyle Harwood.

"Crail and Harwood threw the ball well in our scrimmage against Frankfort, and both hit well," said Britt. "Crail homered."

After those top two pitchers Sheridan has freshman Jake O'Hara, sophomore Cole Cummings and freshman Kyle Archer.

"Defensivley we have some work to do," continued the coach, "but we have plenty of players that can get the job done. Archer, Sam Wetherald, and Cummings will be our primary outfield. O'Hara, Crail, Branden Kinkead and Sean Speck will be used

around the infield. "I feel we'll improve as the season goes on, and I think that if we can play our best baseball at the end of the season we'll give ourselves a chance to compete for a

Sheridan Roster

sectional championship," Britt added.

Seniors: Sam Wetherald, Chesney, KJ Acevedo, Chris Hunter, Wes Sutton.

Juniors: Sam Crail, Kyle Harwood, Branden Kinkead.

Sophomores: Cole Cummings, Hunter Pflugh, Lane Leonard.

Freshmen: Stevie Smith, Jack O'Hara, Kyle Archer, Jacob Vita, Sean Speck.

Sheridan Schedule

April

5, at Tindley, 5 p.m. 7. at Western Boone, 5 p.m.

15, at Indy Washington (DH), 5:30 p.m.

16, Tri-Central (DH), 11 a.m.

18, Guerin Catholic, 5 p.m.

20, at Clinton Prairie, 5 p.m.

23. Clinton Central (DH), 11 a.m. 25, University, 5 p.m.

26, Carroll, 4:45 p.m.

28, Tipton, 5 p.m. 30, at Scecina (DH), 11 a.m.

3, Rossville, 4:45 p.m.

7, Eastern (DH), 10 a.m. 10, at University, 5 p.m.

13, at Lapel, 4:30 p.m.

14, at Taylor (DH), 10 a.m. 19, Tri-West, 5 p.m. 20, at Hamilton Heights, 6 p.m.

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Wallace excited with new job ...

Huskies are led by veterans

By DON JELLISON Reporter Editor

A new coach running the show and good talent returning from last season.

That's the word on the Hamilton Heights baseball program this season.

"I am excited about our upcoming season," said new coach Matt Wallace, a former assistant for the Husky team. "We return many of our top pitchers and hitters.

"With a new coaching staff, we have been working hard to improve and grow. We are looking for leadership from those returners in the heart of our lineup, which are senior Christian McGill, Aaron House and Mitchell Howie."

House, along with juniors Reese Wills and Isaiah Haymaker, will anchor the pitching staff.

Also returning varsity players expected for big things, both offensively and defensively, are junior outfielders Noah Wallace and Max Wahl and junior infielder Austin Sauerteg. Chase Fisher looks to compete for time.

Newcomers Jarod Flanders, Kolan Lemasters and Riley White add depth and defensive versatility.

"I think as a team early on," said Wallace, "our strength will be our defensive versatility. We have a lot of good athletes who can play a lot of different positions.

"We have a lot of good arms on our pitching staff that simply need experience and with that I am excited to see our progress," Wallace added.

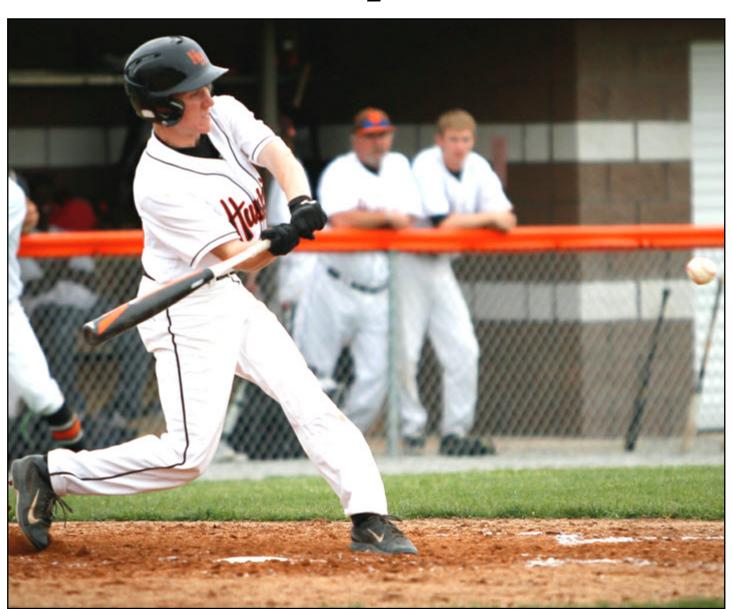
Last year, Wills hit .324, House .306, Howie .284, Wahl .274, and Wallace .238.

On the mound last season, House was 2-3 with a 3.88 ERA in 21 innings.

Hamilton Heights will not open its season until April 7 when the Huskies face Norwell at Taylor University.

Heights Roster

Seniors: Christian McGill, Chase Fisher, Aaron House, Mitchell Howie, Brady Spencer, Isaac Zuchristian, John Fisher.



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Junior Max Wahl is one of the veterans leading the Hamilton Heights baseball team this year.

Juniors: Austin Sauerteig, Max Wahl, Riley White, Kolan Lemaster, Alec Policka, Isaiah Haymaker, Noah Wallace, Reese Wills, Bryce Albright, Jarrod Flanders.

Heights Schedule

April

7, Norwell at Taylor University, 6 p.m. 9, at Lebanon (DH), 10 a.m.

- 12, Western, 5 p.m.
- 13, at Western, 5 p.m.
- 16, at Guerin Catholic (DH), 11 a.m. 19, Tipton, 5 p.m.
- 20, at Tipton, 5 p.m.
- 23, at Elwood (DH), 11 a.m. 26, Northwestern, 5 p.m.
- 27, at Northwestern, 5 p.m.28, at Pendleton Heights, 5 p.m.
- 29, Clinton Prairie, 5 p.m.

May

- 3, at Lewis Cass, 6 p.m.
- 4, Lewis Cass, 6 p.m.
- 6, Western Boone, 5 p.m.
- 9, at Madison-Grant, 5 p.m.
- 12, at Eastern, 5 p.m.
- 13-14, Hoosier Conference Tourney 17, Alexandria, 5 p.m.
- 17, Alexandria, 5 p.m. 20, Sheridan, 6 p.m.
- 21, at Frankfort, 10 a.m.



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'Rocks have high expectations again

By RICHIE HALL

Reporter Sports Editor

The expectations are always high for the Westfield baseball team.

Not just for the Shamrocks themselves, but also by the standards of the state. Westfield is ranked No. 7 in the coaches poll and No. 16 by Indiana Prep Baseball Report. A good deal of that is based on the fact that last year's Shamrock team won the Hoosier Crossroads Conference - arguably the toughest baseball conference in Indiana and were 21-9 overall.

"Expectations are high as always for this year's club to continue the success and tradition of Westfield baseball has built over the last decade," said 'Rocks coach Ryan Bunnell. The coach said his team "will feature some familiar faces but many new ones," as nine seniors graduated from Westfield's 2015 team. The familiar faces are good ones.

That includes three seniors that are Division I signees. Outfielder Milo Beam has committed to Purdue, and he returns a .314 average, including six doubles, 25 runs and eight RBIs. Two other seniors have signed with Butler: Harrison Freed, who smacked

who had tshe highest average of the three at .333. Pepiot had 18 RBIs and scored 16 runs.

Pepiot also saw significant mound time last year, pitching 35.1 innings. He struck out 41 last year, with a 3.17 earned-run average. Other pitchers returning are senior Max McCool and junior Brian Skelton.

Beam will be the lead-off man, and is projected to be Westfield's center fielder. Freed will play left field, while Skelton is slated for regular first base duties. Pepiot will be the shortstop when not on the mound, and junior Jackson Garrett is the projected catcher. Max McCool will play right field.

Senior Logan Schneider, the third baseman, will be in the eighth spot. The seventh and ninth spots are likely to be filled by newcomers, such a senior Luke Speek and sophomores Matthew Meyer and Cam Nance. Meyer will be in the pitching rotation with Pepiot, Skelton and McCool. Kyle Pepiot, a freshman, will see relief time.

"For the Rocks to reach the expectations of winning their fifth HCC championship in the last eight years and a state title, players will have to handle pressure well, new play-

three home runs and batted in 22 runs last ers will have to step into their roles and 30: at Zionsville, 6 p.m. season on a 312 average, and Ryan Pepiot. perform well, veterans will have to provide 31; Zionsville, 6 p.m. great leadership and, most importantly, everyone will have to persevere through adversity and pull on the same end of the rope," said Bunnell.

Key Westfield returners

Seniors: Milo Beam, Harrison Freed, Max McCool, Ryan Pepiot, Logan Sch-

Juniors: Jackson Garrett, Brian Skel-

Key Westfield newcomers

Seniors: Will McCool, Noah Nigh, Luke

Juniors: Lucas Schultz, Dillon Simpson.

Sophomores: Matthew Meyer, Cam

Freshman: Kyle Pepiot.

Westfield schedule

29: Carmel, 5:30 p.m.

April

1: at Zionsville, 6 p.m. 12: Mount Vernon, 5:30 p.m.

14: Noblesville, 6 p.m.

15: at Noblesville, 6 p.m.

16: Noblesville, 11 a.m. 19: Heritage Christian, 5:30 p.m.

21: at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. 22: Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m.

23: at Hamilton Southeastern, 11 a.m.

25: at Andrean, 6 p.m.

28: Brownsburg, 6 p.m.

29: at Brownsburg, 6 p.m.

30: Brownsburg, 11 a.m.

May 3: at Pendleton Heights, 6 p.m.

5: at Avon, 6 p.m. 6: Avon, 6 p.m.

7: at Avon, 11 a.m.

10: at Lapel, 5:30 p.m.

12: Fishers, 6 p.m.

13: at Fishers, 6 p.m.

14: Fishers, 11 a.m.

16: at Kokomo, 6 p.m.

18: at McCutcheon, 6 p.m.

20: at Carmel Invite, 6 p.m.

21: at Carmel Invite, TBA

Guerin will open at Lapel...

Lantz has veteran team

By DON JELLISON

Reporter Editor

When Coach Brad Lantz trots his Guerin Catholic baseball team onto the diamond at Lapel for the Golden Eagles' season opener on March 29, Guerin fans will see a veteran

"We bring back seven of our 10 starters and look forward to having a veteran group," Lantz said.

"Our team has a great mix of juniors and seniors that know their roles and have great chemistry," the coach continued.

"There are some position and lineup battles that will happen, which I think will push our players inevitable making our team better," Lantz concluded.

A probable starting lineup may look like this. Kyle Hennie at catcher, Nick Thieme at first, Jared Cowan at second, Matt Olovich at third, Kash Hale at short, Ryan Rueffer in left, Grant Fremion in center and Juniors: Matt Olovich. Kash Hale, 6, Pendleton Heights, 5:30 p.m. Luke Buehler in right.

Cameron Kirsch is a rotating outfielder when Fremion or Buehler are pitching. Cole Hepp will be the DH.

Last season, Cole batted .377, Olovich .365, Cowan .250, Fremion .300. Buehler .237, Thieme .400 and Hennie .342. Olovich drove in 23 runs and Hennie had 20 RBIs.

last season with 50 strikeouts and a 1.99 ERA in 49.1 innings. Fremion was 3-3 on the hill with a 2.52 ERA in 25 innings.

After opening at Lapel, Guerin Catholic will have an April 2 date at Perry Meridian before opening at home on April 4 against

Guerin Roster

Varsity

Seniors: Ryan Rueffer, Ben Bussick, Dax Schase, Cole Hepp, Vinny Ferrucci.

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Cameron Kirsch.

Sophomore: Luke Keller. **Junior Varsity**

Juniors: Bradley Orth, Blake Crossen. Sophomores: Clay Hepp, Drew Thieme, Owen Hargrave, Robbie Sanchez, Jimmy Hill, Sam Joyal.

C-Team

On the mound, Buehler had a 6-2 record Sophomores: Jacob Buehler, Korbin Lane.

> Freshmen: Cole Barnes, Matthew Orth, Bennett Ely, Jacob Fancher, Tristan George, Christopher Augustinovicz.

Guerin Schedule

29, at Lapel, 5 p.m.

April 2, at Perry Meridian, 12 noon. 4, Chatard, 5 p.m.

8, at Lafayette Catholic, 5:30 p.m.

9, at Lafayette Catholic, 11 a.m.

11, at Speedway, 5:30 p.m.

12, Harrison, 5:30 p.m.

16, Hamilton Heights (DH), 11 a.m.

18, at Sheridan, 5 p.m. 21, at Ritter, 5:30 p.m.

22, New Palestine, 8 p.m.

23, at Madison-Grant (DH), 12 noon.

25, at Roncalli, 5:30 p.m.

29, Eastern, 5:30 p.m.

30, Warren Central, 10 a.m.

May

2, at Mt. Vernon, 5:30 p.m. 4, at Park Tudor, 5:30 p.m.

7, Alexandria (DH), 10 a.m.

13, Plainfield, 5:30 p.m.

18, at Lutheran, 5 p.m. 19, at Covenant Christian, 5:30 p.m.

21, Heritage Christian (DH), 10 a.m.

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