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TODAY'S WEATHER



Showers and possibly a thunderstorm today. A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight.

HIGH: 69 LOW: 63



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To nine non-profits...

Hamilton County Technology Exchange donates computers

Developed by eight members of the Hamilton County Limited, Income Constrained, Employed, or ALICE, stan-"provide computer resources to individuals in need for and other basic functions." The goal is to empower people in need by bridging an existing technology gap.

the basic cost of living, and who typically meet Asset which usually cannot be afforded in their income bracket.

Leadership Academy class of 2016, Hamilton County dards. In Hamilton County, IN alone, approximately 17 Technology Exchange (HCTE) is a program that seeks to percent of households, or 17,500, meet ALICE standards. Another four percent of households, or 4,300, fall well purposes on on-line job searching, resume development, below ALICE standards, quantifying them as "in poverty." In total, nearly 21 percent of households, or 21,800, out of 105,000 households are in need. Oftentimes overlooked The program's targeted beneficiaries are individuals when it comes to traditional aid, these individuals struggle who live above the federal poverty line but still fall below to propel themselves forward without basic technology,

HCTE enables individuals who could not otherwise afford a computer to perform on-line employment and housing searches, enroll in on-line courses, and to perform other basic functions that are demanded in today's technologically advanced world. In addition, HCTE has purchased and installed the Microsoft Office Suite software on many of the donated computers. This will afford recipients the resources they need for writing resumes and learning

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Noblesville Schools honors Legacy Awards teachers

Photo courtesy Noblesville Schools

Noblesville Schools teachers were honored at the Legacy Awards earlier this week. The awards are selected by the seniors at Noblesville High School, who look back at teachers who have most influenced

Awards winners are - High school: Joe Akers, John Ayars, Mike Brady, Robin Conti, Kenneth Dollaske, Deanne Fowler, David Hartman, Jason Jasper, Bill Kenley, Nicole May, Michael Rothrock. Middle school: Doug Brown, Alison Cole, David Culley, Daniel Hedlund, BJ Kite, Julie Meyer, Dean Mueller, Tanya Mueller, Jordan Rattenbury. Intermediate school: Gretchen Avila, Eric Bransteter, Jeff Eastes, Kelly Glander, Kathleen Gormal, Brad Howard, Kathy Klee, Natalie Parrish, Andrew Shelp, Tania Stultz, Karen Thompson, Nancy Young. Elementary School: Kristin Backman, Susan Darling, Stacie Eller, Erica Fitzgerald, Jamie Harris, David Kimmel, Janen Krent, Jered Pennington, Renne Reks, Staci Scott-Stewart, Chuck Vonins.

Ryan Fireprotection acquires Kentuckiana Sprinkler

A Noblesville-based fire protection system provider has acquired a longtime Louisville sprinkler system manu-

Ryan Fireprotection, located at 9740 E. 148th St., bought Kentuckiana Sprinkler Company as of May 20. Kentuckiana Spinkler has been in business since 1971.

In a post on the Ryan Fireprotection website, company president Dan Ryan said "Kentuckiana gives us a local presence to effectively service end-users and contractors in the Greater Louisville area. We are thrilled to build on the astounding reputation that Richard Barber and his team have built over the last 45 years. We will continue the tradition of delivering the highest quality in fire protection systems.'

Ryan Fireprotection has been in business since 1989. Its products include basic fire protection equipment such as fire extinguishers, alarms, hydrants, sprinklers and a number of special hazards products.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

A Cicero couple will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary today. Find out more and how you can join the celebration on Page 2.

Sheridan Community Schools acknowledges Support Staff, Teacher of the Year



Photo courtesy Sheridan Schools

On Tuesday, May 31, Sheridan Community Schools staff gathered together one last time to share breakfast and summer updates, acknowledge and praise the retirees, and honor the Support Staff and Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Charlotte Snodgrass (right), school nurse at Sheridan Elementary, was honored for a job well done. It was shared that she is so much more than "bandaides." Mrs. Snodgrass was recognized for the multiple hats and roles she does on a daily basis.

Mrs. Stephanie Lego, 2nd grade teacher at Sheridan Elementary, was honored as SCS Teacher of the Year. Stephanie has taught for 20 years, of which 18 have been with Sheridan. She has taught in various grade levels, as well as Early Childhood and the High Ability Program. She has also served on multiple committees, assisted with Homework Club, Summer Safari, and was a previous Rotary Teacher of the Year. Besides teaching she loves reading, walking, and spending time with her grandchildren. Stephanie will also be honored by the Indiana Department of Education sometime in the fall. Mrs. Lego is an invaluable educator at Sheridan Community Schools.

News

Open house this afternoon at Cicero Christian Church...

Bob and Barbara Hendricks celebrating 50th anniversary



Photo provided

Robert and Barbara Hendricks of Cicero will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an Open House in their honor today at the Cicero Christian Church, 1715 Stringtown Pike, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. The open house will be hosted by their sons Jeff and Tim, and their families. Bob and Barbara were married on June 4th, 1966 at Cicero Christian Church. They look forward to seeing you and request no gifts.

EXCHANGE

basic software, and ultimately allow them to take the necessary steps towards a better

Within its first year, HCTE was able to secure 34 gently used laptop and desktop computers, making the program a success. This was possible due to effective network- liver tech resources to help really impact ing by HCTE founding members and their lives. We learned a lot in our first year and connections to the community. Represent- were able to make a real difference in many ing eight local businesses and organiza- lives, and that's what it's all about.' tions, Sarah Billman (Hamilton County Tourism, Inc.), Jessica Heiser (Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim), Brittany Hosford (Legacy Fund/CICF), Christine Tiskevich (Beck's Superior Hybrids), Terri Parke (Children's Bureau, Inc.), Jason Sloderbeck (Hamilton County Sheriff's Office), Nick Smarrelli (GadellNet Consulting Services), and Ann Yeakle (Community Health Network) were able to secure donations from seven organizations who were prepared to recycle out gently used, slightly older computers for newer models. In the same way, HCTE was able to identify nine non-profit organizations whose clientele fit the program's mission and who could find deserving individual recipients for the com-These organizations included HAND, Prevail, Excel Center, Children's Bureau, Boys and Girls Club of Noblesville, PrimeLife Enrichment, Chaucie's Place, Heart & Soul, and KIPP Schools. To date, HCTE has facilitated the pairing of 24 computers with individuals in need.

Through additional monetary donations from a prominent local manufacturing company, HCTE was also able to purchase Microsoft Office Suite software for the donated computers. The software was then installed and computers wiped clean for

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Hazel Dell Parkway project in Carmel begins Monday

A road improvement project on Hazel Dell Parkway in Carmel between Cherry Creek Boulevard and Avian Way to 146th Street will begin the week of Monday, June 6. Watch for slowed traffic and occasional lane restrictions. Expect construction to be completed by July 15, weather permitting.

The improvements will include the expansion of Cherry Creek Boulevard's roundabout and the widening of Hazel Dell Parkway north to 146th Street. Accommodations for these wider lanes, such as sidewalk and curb expansion, will also be made. Other changes associated with this project will include safety enhancements encouraging reduced speeds such as a median, narrow lanes, and new pavement markings.

Shop & Dine Local Passport Event at Carmel City Center

The 2nd Annual Shop & Dine Local Passport event will kick off on Friday, June 10, 2016 at Carmel City Center.

For three days, visitors can shop, dine and save at participating businesses from June 10 through June 12 with the passport book. The Shop & Dine Local Passport Book is full of special offers and promotions from women's and men's fashion, home gifting, kids wear, tapas and pub food to dessert and more. Three lucky winners will be chosen to win a \$50 gift certificate to a Carmel City Center business after visiting four shops. Simply visit a shop, get a sticker in your passport and turn in the completed passport book to Hubbard & Cravens or Graeter's Ice Cream by Sunday, June 12. No purchase necessary.

Pick up a Shop & Dine Local Passport at Hubbard & Cravens, located at 703 Veterans Way, or Graeter's Ice Cream, located in the Nash building at 864 S. Rangeline Road in Carmel. Click here to view the passport or here to download and print the passport.





From Page 1 immediate use through in-kind donations by GadellNet Technology Solutions. Nick Smarrelli, CEO of GadellNet Technology Solutions and also one of HCTE's founders, testifies that "it has been an amazing

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experience working with non-profits to de-

HCTE plans to extend its reach through-

out the next year. Collecting donations in

the form of computers will continue the

success of this effort. If you would like

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Sobriety checkpoint scheduled for this weekend

The Hamilton County Traffic Safety tion may involve the Standardized Field Partnership (HCTSP) will conduct a sobriety checkpoint will be conducted on the night of Saturday, June 4 and early morning during the initial contact, the driver is often of Sunday, June 5.

At a sobriety checkpoint, law enforcement officers evaluate drivers for signs of alcohol or drug impairment at a specified point along the roadway, often depending upon the support of local property owners for the use of appropriate land. Checkpoint sites are selected based upon analysis of available crash and impaired driving arrest data and a consideration of officer safety.

Vehicles are stopped in a specific sequence, such as every other vehicle, every third vehicle, every fourth vehicle or by stopping three, four, or five cars in succession and allowing other traffic to proceed while checking the stopped vehicles. The planned sequence in which vehicles are stopped depends on the number of officers available to staff the checkpoint, traffic congestion, and other safety concerns.

Upon making contact with the driver, the officer advises them that they've been and asks for the driver's license and the vehicle's registration. If, in the course of the contact, the officer detects that alcohol may be involved and that the driver may be impaired or if some other issue arises, then the vehicle is directed into a pull-off area for further investigation. Further investiga-

Sobriety Tests (SFSTs).

On the other hand, if all looks right on his or her way in less than two minutes.

The HCTSP is a consortium of law enforcement agencies in Hamilton County working to increase the usage of seatbelts, to combat aggressive driving, and to decrease impaired driving with the overall goal of creating a safer Hamilton County. The HCTSP is comprised of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Fishers Police Department, Carmel Police Department, Noblesville Police Department, Westfield Police Department, and Cicero Police Department, with the assistance of the Indiana State Police.

Impaired driving is one of our nation's most frequently committed violent crimes. Just in Indiana in 2012, alcohol-related traffic crashes killed 158 people (up from 140 in 2011), accounting for approximately twenty percent of all fatal crashes, and injured another 2,112 people.

About 1000 people are convicted of an stopped at an HCTSP sobriety checkpoint impaired driving offense annually in Hamilton County alone, and nearly 200 of those are repeat offenders. In 2012 in Hamilton County, for example, the State filed 1004 charges of operating while intoxicated. Of these, 158 drivers had prior convictions for operating while intoxicated within the last five years.

DAILY BIBLE VERSE

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

- Matthew 6:28-29

50 Years Ago

News: Fifteen Hamilton County residents, including Walt Smith, executive director of the Noblesville-Cicero Boys Clubs and four club members, labored long and hard last week installing a new roof on the Boys Club Day Camp Building.

Sports: The Noblesville-Tipton battle was a hum-dinger, although it looked as if Dick Stern and the Millers would shutout the Blue Devils before Tipton suddenly broke from nowhere in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Ad: ABC Drive-in Theatre: Now thru Tuesday, Welcome to Hard Times

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Gas leak shuts down 116th Street in Fishers





Photos courtesy Fishers Fire Department

A gas leak at 116th Street and Sandcreek Boulevard in Fishers shut down 116th in all directions part of Friday afternoon and evening.

Around 4:22 p.m., the Fishers Fire Department announced that a six inch gas main was leaking. There were no need for evacuations, but it was originally thought that 116th Street would be shut down for up to four hours.

By 5 p.m., 116th was closed between Cumberland and Hoosier roads, but the estimate to re-opening 116th was down to two hours. Crews continued to make headway, and by 6:52 p.m., the gas leak was secured, with 116th Street opening soon after.

The Escape Room coming to The Edge in Fishers

Can you get out? The Escape Room is expanding into the Fishers' Nickel Plate District. The latest in interactive attractions will bring six, challenging rooms to The Edge on the corner of Lantern Road and 116th Street. The new adventure is set to open in early fall.

"The Escape Room is a unique addition to the Nickel Plate District," said Mayor Scott Fadness. "The revitalization of the area was done to ensure our residents and visitors have a place to live, work and play in our community. It's very exciting to see this vision come to life, and welcome the Escape Room to Fishers."

The Escape Room Fishers plans to house six different adventure challenges and the Escape Lounge, serving local Indiana beer and wine, on the second and third floors of The Edge. The interactive game is designed for everyone. Participants are locked in a themed room with 60 minutes to find clues, solve puzzles, and discover keys and combinations to escape the room before time is up.

"This location will offer new rooms for fans and expanded hospitality options for events and corporate groups," said Jennifer Harbron, part owner and Director of Event Planning for The Escape Room. "We will be able to accommodate larger groups than ever with bigger rooms and two distinct lounges that can service more than one group at a time."

The Escape Room will lease more than 6,000 square feet in The Edge, and plans to

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Pork chop dinner and Bed Race



Photos provided

There was plenty of activity in Downtown Noblesville Friday night.

LEFT: The Noblesville Lions Club conducted its annual pork chop dinner.

BELOW: the sixth annual Noblesville Bed Race took place on Ninth Street. Proceeds from the race benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville.

ESCAPE

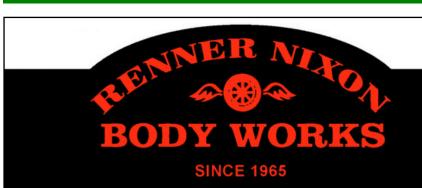
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hire more than 20 new employees from management to hourly positions. The newest addition to the Nickel Plate District joins other tenants of The Edge including, Community Health Network, The Well, The Borrowed Boutique and Progressive Eye Care.

"We are thrilled to add the Escape Room to the list of tenants at the Edge," said Scott Baldwin, Executive Vice President and Owner of Envoy, Inc. "It is important for our projects to fit the vision of the communities we serve and to attract innovative businesses and talent to the area."

"We have a few surprises in store for this location," said Dan Chillemi, part owner and Director of Charitable Relations with The Escape Room. "As soon as we saw the space in The Edge, we knew there was an opportunity to take the concept to the next level. There will be something new to explore for first-time visitors and returning fans alike.

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Girls state track and field meet...

Royals finish fifth, county teams all reach top 20

When the teams are close, every point counts at a state track and field meet.

Hamilton County's girls track and field teams made the most of their opportunities, and the result was a fine meet for those schools. Leading the way was Hamilton Southeastern, which finished fifth with a team score of 27 points.

Carmel's distance runners led the Greyhounds to a tie for sixth place, while Fishers finished 10th. Noblesville's young team was tied for 12th, and Westfield finished tied for 20th.

The Royals had an excellent performance from sophomore Camille Christopher, who medaled in three events. Christopher placed fourth in both the 100 and 200 dashes, then joined Jada Brooks-Edson, Mia Mackenzie and Deneen McKinney to take third in the 4x100 relay.

That race would mark the first of two medals for Mackenzie, as she would place sixth in the 300 hurdles. Southeastern would reach the podium (top nine) in all three relays, since it began the meet with a seventh-place finish in the 4x800 - Grace Andritsch, Elle Eichorst, Madealine Mirro, Kaitlyn Weldy ran in that race - then the Royals finished out the meet with a ninthplace effort from Andritsch, Ashley Mager, Tierra Sydnor and Sabrina Bippus in the 4x400 relay.

Carmel picked up 19 of its points from the 3200 run, where it had three runners compete due to the three-participant standard. In a back-and-forth, competitive race, Stacy Morozov finished second, Christina Geisler was fourth and Sarah Leinheiser 800. placed fifth.

derson in the 1600 run and Jessi Cowen in the 300 hurdles.

The Tigers were led by their relays. The 4x400 team of Paris Carver, Kayla Crose, 28 points. Toni Grace and Danielle Harrison finished third, while the 4x100 relay of Brooklyn Banks, Carver, Crose and Harrison placed fourth. Carver also finished fifth in the 200, while Harrison placed eighth in the 100.

The Millers started off strong in the 4x800 relay, which finished second. The team of Maria Anderson, Kat Dombroski, Abi Little, Susanna Sharples-Gordon set a new school record of 9:05.78. The freshman Anderson would later place fifth in the 400 dash, and Little would take eighth in the 1600 run. Another freshman, Shelby Tyler, tied for seventh in the high jump.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Noblesville's 4x800 relay team finished as runner-up at Friday's IHSAA girls track and field state meet at Indiana Univeristy. Pictured: Maria Anderson, Susanna Sharples-Gordon, Abi Little and Kat Dombroski.

Westfield's distance runners also had good meets. The Shamrocks' 4x800 team of Lauren Bailey, Gabby Brown, Gabby Dilick and Devon Leahy finished fourth, and Leahy came back to place fifth in the open

Warren Central dominated the team Other Greyhounds scoring points in- standings, scoring 70 points. Pike finished cluded Rachel Dixon, Cailyn Etgen, Elle as the state runner-up with 48 points, with Hawkins and Reagan Hune in the 4x100 Lynna Irby repeating as state champion in relay, which finished eighth. Two other the dashes for the third time in a row. Irby Carmel runners finished ninth: Rachel Anset a new record in winning the 100 dash of 11.50 seconds, and easily won the 200 and

Team scores (Top 10 and all county): 1. Warren Central 70, 2. Pike 48, T3. Penn 28; Ben Davis 28, 5. Hamilton Southeastern 27, T6. Carmel 23; West Lafayette 23, 8. Homestead 22, 9. Crown Point 21, 10. Fishers 20, T12. Noblesville 5. Paris Carver (F) 25.03. 17.5, T20. Westfield 11.

4x800 relay: 1. Penn 9:01.41, 2. Sharples-Gordon) 9:05.78, 4. West- (Guerin Catholic) 5:02.63.

Gabby Dilick, Devon Leahy) 9:28.51.

100 dash - Finals: 1. Lynna Irby Hune) Camille Christopher (HSE) 12.07, 8. Pronschinske, Danielle Harrison (F) 12.59. **Prelim-** 48.84. 12.59.

Jackson (Warren Central) 14.00. (HSE) 15.21, 21. Emily Robertson (W) 16.11.

200 dash - Finals: 1. Irby (Pike) 23.53, 4. Christopher (HSE) 24.94,

1600 run: 1. Grace Walther (Homestead) 4:48.68, 8. Little (N) Noblesville (Maria Anderson, Kat 4:58.66, 9. Rachel Anderson (C) Dombroski, Abi Little, Susanna 4:59.06, 10. Megan Slamkowski

field (Lauren Bailey, Gabby Brown, 4x100 relay: 1. Warren Central Southeastern 46.17, 9:18.21, 7. Southeastern (Grace (Christopher, Jada Brooks-Edson, Andritsch, Elle Eichorst, Madealine Mackenzie, Deneen McKinney) Mirro, Kaitlyn Weldy) 9:24.10, 12. 47.44, 4. Fishers (Brooklyn Banks, Fishers (Kamya Lampsley, Liz Rog- Carver, Kayla Crose, Harrison) ers, Hope Scanlon, Miya Wai) 48.04, 8. Carmel (Rachel Dixon, Cailyn Etgen, Elle Hawkins, Reagan 48.73, 12. Westfield (Pike), 11.50, new state record, 4. (Hubbard, Isabel Knaus, Rebecca

Penn and Ben Davis tied for third with inaries: 16. Karen Hubbard (W) 400 dash: 1. Irby (Pike), 53.71, 5. Anderson (N) 56.03, 12. Dixon (C) 100 hurdles - Finals: 1. Kayland 57.66, 14. Tierra Syndor (HSE) 58.52, 15. Hune (C) 58.58.

> Preliminaries: 12. Mia Mackenzie 300 hurdles: 1. Addison Coy (Culver Academies) 43.24, 6. Mackenzie (HSE) 44.85, 9. Jessi Cowen (C) 45.69.

> > **800 run:** 1. Madison Kiser (Pioneer) 2:11.41, 5. Leahy (W) 2:14.73, 13. Sharples-Gordon (N) 2:19.78, 15. Maddie Dalton (C) 2:20.50.

> > 3200 run: 1. Alex Buck (Pendleton Heights) 10:28.97, 2. Stacy Morozov (C) 10:30.15, 4. Christina Geisler (C) 10:38.07, 5. Sarah Leinheiser (C) 10:38.21, 18. Lulu Black (HSE) 11:14.98.

4x400 relay: 1. Warren Central 3:48.88, 3. Fishers (Carver, Crose, Toni Grace, Harrison) 3:54.54, 9. Southeastern (Andritsch, Ashley Mager, Sydnor, Sabrina Bippus) 3:56.99, 12. Carmel (Cowen, Dixon, Hune, Sydney Scott) 3:57.81, 15. Noblesville (Anderson, Madie Helsloot, Little, Lillian Walter) 3:59.27, 19. Westfield (Brown, Knaus, Leahy, Robertson) 4:02.06. **High jump:** Corin Erwin (Munster) 5-8, T7. Shelby Tyler (N) 5-5, T21. Emily Monson (F) 5-0.

Long jump: 1. Mikaylah Woods (Penn) 19-2.5, 13. Etgen (C) 17-5.25, 21. Ashley Perry (HSE) 16-10.5, Brittany Welch (Sheridan), ND. Discus: 1. Essence Henderson (Lafayette Jeff) 151-1.

Shot put: 1. Victoria Farley (Portage) 46-11.75, 15. Jada Caldwell (W) 38-5.5.

Pole vault: 1. Sandra Brown (Pike)

12-9, 11. Kara Deady (C) 11-3. More pictures appear on Page 7



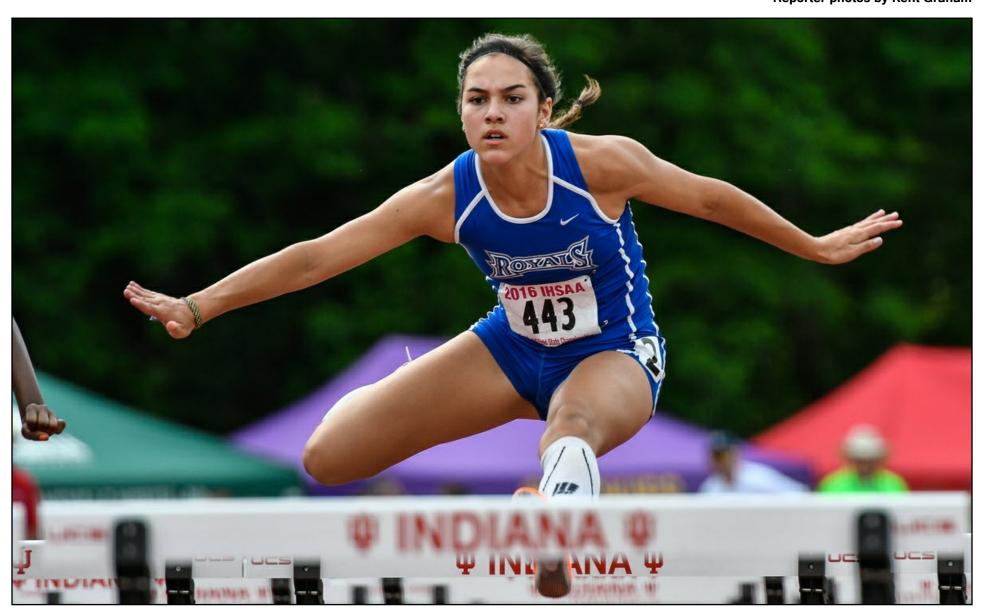
Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Carmel's three 3200 runners all finished in the top nine and earned medals at state. Pictured are Christina Geisler, Stacy

Morozov and Sarah Leinheiser.

Girls track and field state meet

Reporter photos by Kent Graham



Hamilton Southeastern's Mia Mackenzie finished sixth in the 300 hurdles at Friday's IHSAA girls state track and field meet. Mackenzie also ran on the third-place Royals 4x100 relay.







ABOVE LEFT: Southeastern's Camille Christopher placed fourth in both the 100 and 200 dashes, and also ran on the Royals' third-place 4x100 relay.

ABOVE: Westfield's Devon Leahy was part of the Shamrocks' fourth-place 4x800 relay and also finished fifth in the open 800 run.

LEFT: Fishers' Paris Carver ran on the Tigers' third-place 4x400 relay team and their fourth-place 4x100 relay team. Carver also finished fifth in the 200.

Heights' DeFoe named **BSN Athlete of the Week**



Photo provided

Hamilton Heights senior Michael DeFoe has been named BSN Athlete of the Week. DeFoe received the Most Valuable Male Runner Award his sophomore and junior years on the team. He placed 14th in the IHSAA State as a sophomore and third as a junior in the 110 meter hurdles. As a sophomore, at the State Indoor Meet, he placed second in the hurdles. Currently, as a senior, at the State Indoor Meet he placed first in the 60 meter hurdles and 60 meter dash, both becoming STATE RECORDS, and fourth place in the Long Jump. These accomplishments have earned him "All-State Athlete" six times.

In addition to DeFoe's time and commitment to Track and Field, he is also very involved in his local church and youth group activities. He has big aspirations for his future, which includes competing in the 2016 Junior Olympics for the 110 meter hurdles and 100 meter dash. He also hopes to run in the World Olympics after college. He plans to run track at Indiana Wesleyan University this fall.



IHSAA Unified Track and Field Championship takes place today

Track and Field Championship will take and Field Sectionals advancing to the place Saturday, June 4 at Robert C. Haugh Track and Field Complex, Indiana the 2016 Unified Track and Field State University. The opening ceremony is at Championship include: Crown Point 12:45 p.m. followed by field events at 1 p.m. and track beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The event is the result of a partnership between the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) and Special Olympics Indiana known as Champions Together. This led to the sanctioning of Unified Track and Field as the 21st IH-SAA sport and the first championship, won by Warsaw High School. Last year's championship was captured by Lafayette Jefferson High School. The vision of the Champions Together Unified Sports® project is to allow high school students both with and without intellectual disabilities the opportunity to represent their high schools in an IHSAA sanctioned activity that provides a quality experience of sports training and competition.

Competitions are judged and scored within heats and flights determined by prior performances. Each heat and flight scores the same number of points and every participant scores points for their team. Based on the philosophy of Unified Sports® there are no individual awards for Unified Track and Field. The only awards given are team awards earned by the contributions of all team members.

You can follow Champions Together and Unified Sports® on Twitter (@ChampsTogether), Facebook and Instagram (@ChampionsTogether).

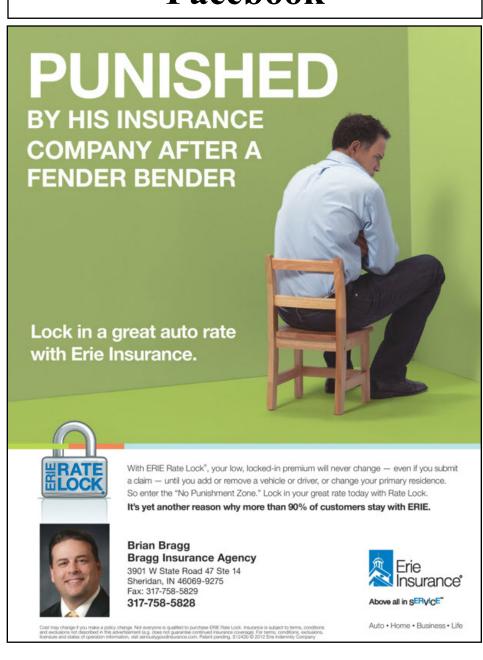
This year, more than 70 teams participated in Unified Track with the top two

The third annual IHSAA Unified teams from each of the six Unified Track State Finals. High schools competing in (Lake), Elkhart Central (Elkhart County), Fishers (Hamilton), Edgewood High School (Monroe), Franklin County High School (Franklin), Jeffersonville High School (Clark), Michigan City (LaPorte), Noblesville (Hamilton), Terre Haute North Vigo (Vigo), Perry Meridian (Marion), Vincennes Lincoln High School (Knox), and Warsaw High School (Kosciusko County).

About Champions Together

Champions Together was established in December, 2012 as the partnership between the Indiana High School Athletic Association and Special Olympics Indiana. The partnership provides an award banner to all member schools that meet minimum requirements in the areas of 1) student-led servant leadership, 2) awareness, respect and inclusion as it relates to all individuals with intellectual disabilities, 3) Unified Sports® and 4) fundraising to promote the vision and programs of Special Olympics Indiana and the Champions Together partnership. Special Olympics International is supporting Champions Together as a model program to activate schools through "Project Unify" which also has the endorsement of the National Federation of High Schools. For more information on Champions Togeth-Lee contact Lonzo LLonzo@ihsaa.org.

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Rex Pitts: a special Hawk

By DON JELLISON **Reporter Editor**

I'm a history buff, especially when it comes to high school basketball.



Once upon a time, I pretty much had my hand on high school basketball history in Hamilton County. That was back in the day of the Noblesville Daily Ledger. Papers changed and when they did much of my

history information went out the door.

Today, folks think I saw every Hamilton County basketball player in his prime, everyone beginning in 1900. Not the case. I first started covering high school basketball about 1955. And, with my ever-fading memory, I have trouble even recalling those days

I get asked a lot about old-time players being considered for the Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame. Everyone wants "stats" when considering players who have been nominated.

First off, stats are hard to find before about 1950.

One player I've heard and read about but never saw play was Sheridan's Rex Pitts. I always knew Rex was "good", but how good? I never had the stats.

Maybe you saw a picture a week or so ago in the Hamilton County Reporter of Rex attending a reunion along with other Blackhawks who played for Coach Larry Hobbs during the basketball glory years at Sheridan.

Jim Godby, another Sheridan great who was in that photo, compiled some information which I thought was interesting and that I would pass along to you readers.

Pitts played for Hobbs from the 1948-49 to the 1951-52 seasons, scoring 682 points as a member of the starting five. He started on the first five after Christmas of 1949 and scored 31 points as a freshman.

You have to understand, 682 points in those days were a whole bunch of points. Especially if you played for Larry Hobbs.

"The major effort," Godby said, "was defense, rebounding and dishing out assists. Sheridan always had shooters, like Paul McClay, Harry Hobbs, Don Collier, Roland Wallace and Joe Hobbs."

No statistics were kept on rebounding or

Sheridan's teams were among the best to ever play in Hamilton County.

The 1948-49 Blackhawks won 17 and lost 9 and were Hamilton-Tipton counties sectional champions.

The 1949-50 team went 20-8; again won the sectional; won the Kokomo Regional and was runnerup in the Muncie Semi-State, one of the final eight teams out of over 700 that began the state tourney.

The 1950-51 Blackhawks went 23-3, losing twice to Kokomo; one game by two points and one game by three. They also lost to Crispus Attucks by two points. They won the Hamilton County Tourney; the Hoosier Conference, and the sectional for a third straight time.

The 1951-52 season, Pitts' senior year, Sheridan posted a 23-4 record, again losing twice to Kokomo and once to Attucks and also to Elwood. They won the County Tourney, the conference and the sectional.

Pitts did other things, too. He ran the mile, half mile and was part of the mile relay team four years and Sheridan won the Hamilton County Track Meet in 1949, 1950

Pitts received a scholarship to the University of Tennessee and transferred to Georgetown College. No basketball stats are available from Georgetown, but that team won the conference and automatically was invited o the 32 team NAIA tourney in Kansas City. Georgetown went to the NA-IA for all three of Pitts' seasons there.

Pitts coached high school basketball for nine years, four years as an assistant and then as head coach at Frankfort High School in Frankfort, Kentucky. The 1970 team had the best season record ever for Frankfort, winning 25 and losing 5. The team won the Lexington Catholic Christmas Tourney; won the district and was runnerup in the regional.

The 1969 boys track team won the CKC track meet, the regional and was the 1969 Class Kentucky State Champion. Frankfort also placed second in 1970 and 1971. Pitts started girls track at Frankfort in 1968 and in 1970 and Frankfort was Class A state champion.

So, the next time you see Rex Pitts photo in the Hamilton County Reporter, you now will know how great the guy was as a Blackhawk, and beyond.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Carmel No. 3 singles player Sam Galloway prepares to return a serve during the Greyhounds' state quarter-final match with Cathedral Friday.

Carmel tennis falls in state quarter-finals

The Carmel girls tennis team's state tournament run came to an end on Friday, 13-2. as Cathedral beat the three-time defending state champion Greyhounds 3-2 in the state quarter-finals at the Todd Witsken Tennis

The No. 3 Irish won all three of the singles matches over the No. 2 'Hounds. Those three singles players are the Koscielski sisters, who have been an unstoppable force for Cathedral this season: None have lost a match. At No. 2 singles, Zoe Woods extended Grace Koscielski to a second-set tiebreak before falling 7-3.

Carmel's wins came in the doubles matches. No. 1 Grace Marchese and Mary Voigt won in three sets, while No. 2 Emma Miller def. Kristin Caldwell and KK Love and Julia Miller were easy 6-1, 6-1 Combs 6-1, 6-1 winners.

The Greyhounds finished their season at

Cathedral 3, Carmel 2

No. 1 singles: Lauryn Padgett lost to Maeve Koscielski 6-4, 6-0 No. 2 singles: Zoe Woods lost to Grace Koscielski 6-2, 7-6 (3) No. 3 singles: Samantha Galloway lost to Claire Koscielski 6-4, 6-1 No. 1 doubles: Grace Marchese and Mary Voigt def. Meghan Farrell and Rachel Long 6-0, 3-6, 6-3 No. 2 doubles: Emma Love and Julia



Reporter photo by Bret Richardson

Noblesville's Hannah Potter prepares to run around Fishers-Hamilton Southeastern's Emma Wildheart to score her second point of the match between the two teams in the state lacrosse semfinals at Heritage Christian. Fishers-HSE won 19-10 and will play in today's state finals.

Indiana All-Stars preparing for upcoming events

are getting close to their annual series with Junior boys 35-8. The Senior girls lead the Kentucky as well as their usual warmup Junior girls 33-10. Three games were games against the Indiana Junior All-Stars.

The All-Star exhibition games featuring the Indiana Seniors vs. the Indiana Juniors School and June 9 at Lebanon High School. The girls' game each night will begin at 6 p.m., with the boys' game to follow.

All-Stars on June 11 and June 12. The June 11 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. 11doubleheader will begin with the girls at 5 p.m. at Bankers Life Fieldhouse in 42. The Indiana girls lead their series 45-35. Indianapolis. The June 12 games, starting at 1 p.m., will be at Knights Hall on the is Kyle Guy of Lawrence Central. He is campus of Bellarmine University in Louis-

This is the 21st year of exhibition games between the Indiana Seniors and

The 2016 IndyStar Indiana All-Stars Indiana Juniors. The Senior boys lead the played in 2005, 2006 and 2007; just two games were played in other 16 years.

The Indiana All-Star senior boys series will be June 7 at Bloomington South High with Kentucky dates to 1940, while the All-Star senior girls began playing Kentucky in 1976. More than 60 former Indiana All-Stars from years ending in "6" --The Senior All-Stars will conclude the including four players from the 1946 boys week with games against the Kentucky All-Star team -- will be recognized on June

The Indiana boys lead their series 93-

This year's Indiana Mr. Basketball joined on the roster by Dru Smith of Evansville Reitz, Eugene German of Gary 21st Century, C.J. Walker of Indianapolis Tech,

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Fishers-HSE reaches girls lacrosse state championship game

Two county lacrosse teams met in the semi-finals of the Indiana state tournament, which took place Friday night at Heritage

Fishers-Hamilton Southeastern beat Noblesville 19-10. Noblesville began the game with a 3-0 lead before Fishers-HSE came back to tie it, then took the lead.

Kylee Frasier and Stephanie Miller both scored four goals for Fishers-HSE. Emma Connell, Emma Wildheart and Grace Houser all got three goals, with Anna Gritter scoring twice.

For Noblesville, Taylor Gysin scored three goals. Hannah Potter, Elle Palmer and Grace Newman all had two goals, with Hannah Natvig adding one.

Fishers-HSE will play Cathedral in today's state championship game, which starts at 4:30 p.m. Cathedral defeated Bishop Chatard 12-10 in the other semi-final.

MLB standings

Friday's scores Chi. Cubs 6, Arizona 0 L.A. Angels 9, Pittsburgh 2 Philadelphia 6, Milwaukee 3 Baltimore 6, N.Y. Yankees 5 Detroit 10, Chi. White Sox 3 Cleveland 6, Kansas City 1 N.Y. Mets 6, Miami 2

Toronto 5, Boston 2 Cincinnati 7, Washington 2 Texas 7, Seattle 3 Houston 12. Oakland 2 Tampa Bay 4, Minnesota 2 San Francisco 5, St. Louis 1 L.A. Dodgers 4, Atlanta 2 San Diego 4, Colorado 0

American League						National League			
East	W	L	PCT.	GB	East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Baltimore	31	22	.585	-	Washington	33	22	.600	-
Boston	32	23	.582	-	N.Y. Mets	30	23	.566	2.0
Toronto	30	26	.536	2.5	Miami	29	26	.527	4.0
N.Y. Yankees	25	29	.463	6.5	Philadelphia	27	28	.491	6.0
Tampa Bay	23	30	.434	8.0	Atlanta	16	38	.296	16.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB	Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Kansas City	30	24	.556	-	Chi. Cubs	38	15	.717	-
Cleveland	29	24	.547	0.5	Pittsburgh	29	25	.537	9.5
Chi. White Sox	29	26	.527	1.5	St. Louis	28	27	.509	11.0
Detroit	26	28	.481	4.0	Milwaukee	25	30	.455	14.0
Minnesota	16	38	.296	14.0	Cincinnati	20	35	.364	19.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB	West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Texas	32	22	.593	-	San Francisco	35	22	.614	-
Seattle	31	23	.574	1.0	L.A. Dodgers	29	27	.518	5.5
Houston	26	30	.464	7.0	Colorado	24	30	.444	9.5
L.A. Angels	25	29	.463	7.0	Arizona	24	33	.421	11.0
Oakland	25	30	.455	7.5	San Diego	22	34	.393	12.5

National Teamers win to kick off Arena ALL STARS **Pro Swim Series at Indianapolis**

(Pittsburgh, bests in the women's 200-meter freestyle on Friday, and Jay Litherland (Alpharetta, Ga./Dynamo Swim Club) posted an impressive double to open the Arena Pro Swim Series at Indianapolis.

Smith became the eighth-fastest American of all-time in the women's 200m free, victory after posting a then-lifetime-best swim of 1:56.66 in Friday's morning pre-

"I'm really happy with my two races today. I was pleasantly surprised with my

USA Swimming National Team mem- 200 free this morning and just wanted to get faster tonight – practice going faster in fi-Pa./Unattached) swam to a pair of lifetime nals," Smith said. "I'm really happy I was able to get two best times today.'

> Melanie Margalis (Clearwater, Fla./St. Petersburg Aquatics) was second to Smith in 1:57.33 and came back less than 20 minutes laterto win the women's 100m breast in 1:07.26.

men's 400m IM, good for No. 12 in the at usaswimming.org. 2016 world rankings.

In the men's 100m breast, National Teamer Nic Fink (Morristown, N.J./Athens Bulldog Swim Club) outlasted a strong field, winning in 1:00.13 ahead of Cody Miller (Las Vegas, Nev./Badger Swim Club) and Kevin Cordes (Naperville, Ill./Unattached). Miller was second in 1:00.41; Cordes third in 1:00.51.

Held at the Indiana University Natatori-Litherland followed with a win in the um on the Campus of IUPUI, the June touching in 1 minute, 56.64 seconds for the men's 200m free in 1:48.41 before earning 3-5 meet consists of prelims at 9 a.m. his second victory of the night later in the EDT and finals at 6 p.m. EDT. A live websession with a convincing 4:13.93 in the cast of the entire meet will be available

Complete results from Indianapolis can

Eron Gordon of Cathedral, Brachen Hazen of Columbia City, Damien Jefferson of East Chicago Central, Kyle Mallers of Carroll (Fort Wayne), Tremell Murphy of Griffith, Grant Gelon of Crown Point, Tucker Blackwell of Bloomington South, Joey Brunk of Southport and Desmond Bane of Seton Catholic.

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This year's Indi-



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Cameron Onken of Lafayette Central Catholic, Holly Hoopingarner Greenwood, Lauren Dickerson of Lawrence North, Lindsey Corsaro of Roncalli, Tyasha Harris of Heritage Christian, Camryn Buhr of Penn, Darby Foresman of Heritage Christian, Sydney Shelton of Vernon (Fortville), Kristen Spolyar of Lebanon, Emily Sullivan of Evansville Memorial and Ae'Rianna Harris

of Lawrence North.

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Junior All-Star core group boys Jaren Jackson Jr. of Park Tudor, Jack Nunge of Castle, Paul Scruggs of Southport, Sasha Stephanovic of Crown Point, Kris Wilkes of North Central and Malik Williams of Fort Wayne Snider.

The Junior north boys are Jalen Adaway of Logansport, Jaylen Butz of Fort Wayne North, Jermaine Couisnard of East Chicago Central, Parker Hazen of Columbia City, Kyle Mangas of Warsaw and Tyler Smith of Northeastern.

The Junior south boys are Michael Ertel of Mt. Vernon (Fortville), Zach Gunn of Hamilton Southeastern, Isaac Hibbard of New Albany, Jaylen Minnett of Terre Haute South, Cooper Neese of Cloverdale and Justin Roberts of Pike.

Junior All-Star core group girls are Riley Blackwell of Plainfield, Dana Evans of Gary West, Maliah Howard-Bass of Columbus North, Karissa McLaughlin of Homestead, Zion Sanders of Evansville Central and Madison Wise of Greenfield-Central.

The Junior north girls are Nicole Konieczny of South Bend St. Joseph, Bre Lloyd of Hamilton Southeastern, Rachel McLimore of Covenent Christian, Madisen Parker of Homestead, Anne Secrest of Tippecanoe Valley and Daly Sullivan of South Bend St. Joseph.

The Junior south girls are Kayla Casteel of Plainfield, Imani Guy of Columbus North, Katie Helgason of Greenfield-Central, Ashlyn Huffman of Columbus North, Alexis Thomas of Evansville Central and Macee Williams of Fountain Central.

Coaches for this year's Indiana teams include Stacy Meyer of Greensburg, Scott Hicks of Indianapolis Broad Ripple and Aaron Wolfe of NorthWood with the Senior boys; Rick Risinger of Heritage Christian, Jeff Knoy of McCutcheon and Missy Voyles of North Harrison with the Senior girls; Matt Britton of Bloomfield, Jim Gish of Northwestern and T.J. Lux of Merrillville with the Junior Boys; and Tony Stesiak of Rochester, Tammy Geron of New Albany and Andy Maguire of Zionsville with the Junior Girls.



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