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# Hamilton County Reporter

The County Line

## How many voting machines are enough?



**By FRED SWIFT**

While some voters in last week's election found long lines at the polls and wished there were more voting machines, the question arises as to "how many is enough" for a once in a decade election like 2016?

In most elections, Hamilton County has adequate machines and personnel to easily accommodate voters. This year "we could have used another 200 machines," says Elections Administrator Kathy Richardson. But that would cost about \$700,000 for machines that might not be needed again for years.

Richardson and her staff were able to lease 40 machines knowing that extras would be needed. But, that's all that were available from the company that provides the equipment.

Voting machines used at early voting centers cannot be used in the various precincts on election day because this would co-mingle the votes. This year slightly over 50,000 county voters cast their ballots in early voting which was nearly one third of the total voter turnout of 158,036.

Richardson continues to look for ways to streamline the election process. She would like to have electronic poll books to reduce the time-consuming process of recording of the early vote totals manually. These E-poll books would also allow precinct officials to quickly advise voters

where their proper voting place is located if they find themselves in the wrong polling place on election day.

Thus far the County Council, wanting more information, has rejected the request for funds to purchase the poll books.

In May of next year there will be special elections in Carmel and Sheridan school districts when voters will have school tax referendums to consider. But, interestingly, some schools have reportedly expressed reluctance to have polling places in their buildings. Richardson says she has heard these reports, but has not confirmed them.

State law says election officials shall have the right to use public buildings for elections, Richardson says. She notes that probably half of the county's 217 precincts currently vote in public buildings including schools, fire stations, libraries, town halls, etc.



Reporter photo by Jeff Jellison

Work is nearing completion on Westfield's Mill Street extension. Mill Street will border Westfield's downtown Grand Junction Plaza. On Thursday Westfield Mayor Andy Cook announced a proposed \$200 million mixed use development to be constructed just southwest of the Grand Junction Plaza.

## \$200 million development on the horizon in Westfield

**By JEFF JELLISON**

Westfield Mayor Andy Cook delivered the 2016 State of the City address on Thursday at the Bridgewater Club in Westfield.

Mayor Cook discussed the progress of major projects such as the Grand Junction Park and Plaza, the success of Grand Park and the need for strategic thinking as Westfield continues to grow.

Cook also announced a proposed mixed-use development in Westfield costing as much as \$200 million that would feature a convention center, YMCA, a hotel with the potential of 500 rooms and civic center just south of downtown Westfield.

The site plan for what's being called the Grand Millennial Center shows a 120,000-square-foot civic center, 100,000-square-foot YMCA, aquatics center and healthcare facility, 130,000-square-foot convention center and at least one hotel with possibly 500 rooms.

The development would be located south of State Road 32, east of U.S. 31 and north of 169th Street.

Plans also includes 225,000 square feet of corporate office space along U.S. 31. The site is planned to offer surface parking along with two parking garages with the potential of 800 parking spaces.

Also being discussed is the construction of a Civic Center which would potentially house city and township

government offices, a library and school administrative offices. Cook noted the idea of a Civic Center was first mentioned in last year's State of the City address.

According to Cook the YMCA also has interest in the downtown Westfield area.

The City already has plans in place to extend Poplar Street south from State Road 32 roundabout through the area of development.

During the State of the City Cook stated, "This is a project that could get started quickly and it tells us the investment community is certainly taking notice of what is going on in Westfield."

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# Tips for Hoosiers with asthma as winter approaches

The upcoming winter months in Indiana bring unique hazards to Hoosiers with asthma. Colder temperatures can trigger an asthma attack in some people, and indoor conditions can also put people at risk.

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) urges people with asthma who are sensitive to cold to cover their mouth and nose when they go out in cold and windy weather. People with asthma should also be aware of indoor triggers, such as smoke from fireplaces and wood-burning stoves.

All Hoosiers with asthma should get a flu vaccine to help protect against the respiratory virus, which can cause severe illness in individuals with asthma. Managing your asthma by using prescribed medications as directed by your healthcare provider can help you breathe easier during colder months.

“Having asthma myself, I know how it can be a very serious condition, especially in colder conditions,” said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. “Planning now, getting a flu shot and being aware of potential triggers will put Hoosiers with asthma on a path to a healthier winter.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), asthma is a chronic disease of the lungs that affects more than 17.7 million adults and more than 7.4 million children in the United States. Though people with asthma are not more likely to get the flu (influenza), the illness can be more serious for people with asthma. Adults and children with asthma are more likely to develop pneumonia after the flu than people who don’t have asthma.

During the 2015 flu season, only 48 percent of Indiana adults with asthma got a flu vaccination, according to Indiana State Department of Health data. The Healthy People 2020 plan for flu vaccination recommends coverage of 80 percent for children ages 6 months to 17 years, and 90 percent coverage for adults with asthma.

Uncontrolled asthma can cause wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness and morning or nighttime cough. Exposure to tobacco smoke, air pollution, pet dander or dust mites can trigger an asthma attack, causing the sides of the lungs to swell and airways to shrink, reducing one’s ability to breathe.

An estimated 429,000 Indiana adults and 108,000 children report having asthma. According to the CDC, children are most susceptible to asthma, and one in 11 school-age children in Indiana has the disease. Asthma claims the life of one person every five days in Indiana; 59 percent of those deaths occur among people age 64 and younger.

To avoid getting the flu and passing it to someone else, the CDC recommends that you stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care, and stay away from other people who are sick. Also, follow these tips to prevent the flu:

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing and throw the tissue away. If you do not have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your elbow or shoulder, not your bare hands.

Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth so you don’t spread germs.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school, especially when someone is ill.

If you do have flu symptoms, call your doctor, who might recommend flu antiviral medication.

The CDC’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices says nasal spray flu vaccines should not be used during the 2016-2017 flu season because of poor effectiveness.

If you have asthma, make sure you work with your healthcare provider to update your asthma action plan. It is especially important during the flu season to:

Follow the updated asthma action plan developed with your doctor.

Follow this plan for daily treatment to control asthma long-term and to handle worsening asthma, or attacks.

If your child has asthma, make sure that his or her current written asthma action plan is on file at school or at the daycare center. Be sure that the plan and medication(s) are easy to get to when needed.

To learn more about asthma action plans, visit the following website: <http://www.cdc.gov/asthma/actionplan.html>. For more information and resources, visit the Indiana State Department of Health website at [www.StateHealth.in.gov](http://www.StateHealth.in.gov), or go to the Environmental Protection Agency website at the following address: [www.epa.gov/asthma/awareness.html](http://www.epa.gov/asthma/awareness.html).

For important health information and updates, follow the Indiana State Department of Health on Twitter at [@StateHealthIN](https://twitter.com/StateHealthIN) and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/isdh1](https://www.facebook.com/isdh1).



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## Eugene 'Gene' D. O'Mahony

July 31, 1917 - November 16, 2016

Eugene 'Gene' D. O'Mahony, 99, of Noblesville, passed away on the morning of Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at home. He was born on July 31, 1917 to Dennis E. and Katherine (Kantor) O'Mahony in Mount Holly, New Jersey.



Gene retired from RCA in 1969, where he had been a plant manager for 24 years; and proudly served his country as a Captain with the U.S. Army. He had a passion for real estate; loved a good fire and a good book; loved the ocean and seashore; and always had a craving for something sweet.

He is survived by his four children, Jim (Sherry) O'Mahony, John (Carol) O'Mahony, Neil (Francie) O'Mahony and Kathy O'Mahony; sister, Peggy (Ray) Bintliff; brother-in-law, John Tsitouras; two grandchildren, David (Johanna Halosz) O'Mahony and Ashley Gooch; and one great-grandchild, Jessica O'Mahony.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Marjorie Jean O'Mahony, who passed away in 2005; and two sisters, Katherine Blumenthal and Dotty Tsitouras.

Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at Our Lady of Peace Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel, 9001 Haverstick Road in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to your favorite charity.  
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## Florence Elizabeth "Beth" Sherman Marsh

December 16, 1939 - November 17, 2016

Florence Elizabeth "Beth" Sherman Marsh, 76, of Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville, following a courageous 22-month journey with cancer. She was born on December 16, 1939 to John F. and Dorothy (Scholar) Sherman in Portland, Indiana.

Beth graduated from Ball State University earning her bachelor's and master's degrees in education. She taught at Tipton High School from 1971-1988 and Arsenal Tech High School from 1988-1999. Beth managed Colonel's Cupboard, a student-operated restaurant, from 1992-1999. She was an active member of Tri Kappa, Beta Epsilon Chapter for many years, serving as the President in 1985. In her retirement, Beth worked part-time at Macy's and Sur La Table. She had a love for adventure and also traveled extensively during her retired years with her husband, David.

Beth is survived by her husband and high school sweetheart, David A. Marsh, who she married on November 29, 1958; their three children, Kim (Marsh) Dunbar, Stephanie (Marsh) Wood, and Michael Marsh; eight grandchildren, Taylor (Dunbar) Jennings, Jeremiah Wood, Madison (Dunbar) Oren, Jessica (Wood) Tomasino, Bailey Dunbar, Jake Wood, Cooper Marsh, and Grayson Marsh; three great-grandchildren; and two siblings, John (Judson) Sherman and Rosalind (Sherman) McClure.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Janice (Sherman) Ross.

A celebration of Beth's life will be held at 2:00 pm on Sunday, December 4, 2016 at Purgatory Golf Club, 12160 East 216th Street, in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Beth Marsh to Community Health Network Foundation, Cancer Care Services Fund, 7240 Shadeland Station, Suite 125, Indianapolis, IN 46256; or American Cancer Society, 5635 W 96th Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46278.

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## Betty B. Green

November 12, 1927 - November 7, 2016

Betty B. Green, 88, of Westfield, passed away on Monday, November 7, 2016 at IU Health Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born on November 12, 1927 to William and Emma (Hicks) Bowman in Indianapolis, Indiana. Betty married Bill Green on August 29, 1948; they had twin boys, with Stephen surviving.

She was a 1945 graduate of Shortridge High School and a 1949 Franklin College graduate. Betty worked as a psychiatrist's office manager, retiring in 1990. She was an artist with many talents who enjoyed painting, and also loved to cook and entertain. Most of all, Betty loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her husband, Bill J. Green; son, Stephen William Green; three grandchildren, Sarah Gwin, Samuel Green, and Katie Gibson; seven great-grandchildren; niece, Nancy J. Miller; nephew, Richard L. Anderson; niece, Judith K. Lawson; along with many other nieces & nephews and grand-nieces & grand-nephews. In addition to her parents, Betty was preceded in death by her sister, Georgia Anderson; and niece, Linda C. Anderson.

Services will be held at 3:00 pm on Friday, November 25, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road in Noblesville, with visitation from 1:00 pm to the time of service. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, PO Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142.  
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## DAILY BIBLE VERSE

**And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death.**

- Matthew 10:21

## 50 Years Ago

**News:** The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce announced today that Don Roberts, Noblesville High School teacher, has been nominated for "Outstanding Young Man of the Year".

**Sports:** Only a Hoosier basketball coach like Joel Leaman could lose six veterans, including the team's top three scorers, and still come right back with the statement, "This could be one of our best teams." This is the outlook Leaman has taken this season as he prepares a big Westfield High net team for its season opener.

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# Four tips for festive holiday desserts

(StatePoint) A chill is in the air, string lights sparkle around every corner and holiday cheer spreads from ear-to-ear of adults and children alike. Thoughts of bonbons, gingerbread houses, decadent cakes and fresh-baked cookies weave in and out of dreams.

Extravagant desserts can be a reality without being a hassle. Follow these four tips to create holiday happiness in the form of sweets for all and make moments you and your guests won't soon forget.

### Keep Cookies On Hand

The easiest way to spread dessert joy with visitors is to have cookies at the ready. Bake a batch of shortbread cookies and store in airtight containers. Add a slice of white bread to allow the cookies to absorb moisture without adding an odd taste.

You can also freeze cookies so they stay fresh for a few months. Pull the treats out a couple of hours prior to desired eating time and once loved ones arrive, they'll taste freshly baked.

### Rethink the Dessert Spread

Instead of offering different types of desserts, consider impressing guests with a fondue bar. As an alternate to time-consuming double boiler recipes, use a high-performance blender, such as a Vitamix Professional Series 750, to create a delicious sauce in about 15 minutes.

To add a seasonal twist, make a chocolate orange fondue. Serve it in a pot with skewers of marshmallows, pound cake and fresh fruit.

### Sprinkle Homemade Sugar

One ingredient that isn't a pantry staple but appears in a lot of holiday baking and decorating is powdered sugar. If you find a recipe calls for it and you don't have any handy, you don't need to run to the busy store. Simply blend granulated sugar and a bit of cornstarch to make powdered sugar in 30 seconds. Then, sprinkle it on top of that gorgeous chocolate cake or mix frosting for decorating gingerbread houses.

### Festive Drinks

Not all desserts come in cake and cookie form. Mix after-dinner cocktails with a festive twist to surprise your guests. The best part is drinks are quick and easy to make.

Create a dessert cocktail, such as the Brandy Alexander. Blend brandy, chocolate ice cream, chocolate milk and ice cubes until the drink meets your desired consistency.

For the younger crowd, peppermint hot chocolate will do the trick. Ditch the powder packets and make a quick, homemade recipe. Use a high-performance blender, such as a Vitamix, to crush peppermint sticks, then add chocolate chips, cocoa powder and milk. Blend until steaming. Top both off with a dollop of whipped cream.

Satisfy your sweet tooth with these quick dessert tricks. Best of all, you won't have to spend all day in the kitchen, which will leave more time for making great memories with family and friends.



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Westfield takes down 5A champs...

# ‘Rocks heading to state



Reporter photo by Kirk Green

Westfield coach Jake Gilbert kneels while his team celebrates moments after the Shamrocks beat Fort Wayne Snider 23-17 to win the Class 5A north semi-state Friday night at Riverview Health Stadium. Westfield will head to the IHSAA state finals next Saturday, Nov. 26 at Lucas Oil Stadium, for the third time in school history; the Shamrocks will play Columbus East.

By **RICHIE HALL**  
Reporter Sports Editor

Westfield did everything it could to take down the defending Class 5A state champions in a rainy Friday night at Riverview Health Stadium.

It worked.

The Shamrocks used stellar defense, a few big kicks from senior Will Harrison, and smart fourth-quarter play to beat Fort Wayne Snider 23-17 in an exciting 5A north semi-state championship. Westfield is now back in the IHSAA state finals for the first time since 2013, and will play Columbus East at 7:05 p.m. next Saturday, Nov. 26, at Lucas Oil Stadium.

Can you describe the feeling, Coach Jake Gilbert?

"Overwhelming," said Gilbert, in between congratulatory hugs. "Just floored, overwhelmed with gratitude and humility that we're going to play for a state championship twice in four years. It's just amazing. Just love these kids so much, and we're so supported here by this community."

In order to win the semi-state, the 'Rocks had to slow down a Snider offense that had been averaging 44.1 points per game, and regularly topped 50 points per contest. The Panthers showed off that offense in the first half, jumping ahead 10-0.

But Westfield seized the momentum back by tying the game in the last three minutes of the half. Harrison got the Shamrocks on the board with a 39-yard field goal with 2:39 remaining. Then with 42 seconds left, Andrew Sweet threw a 25-yard pass to Evan Manley, who got it in the end zone. Harrison's kick tied things up.

"The score right before the half was critical," said Gilbert. "Same thing happened last week. I just think it lifted our sails a little bit. They obviously outplayed us in the first half, and then we were able to throw that fade in there to our guy, Evan Manley. I thought that that was a critical play, and a critical score in the game. Huge."

The 'Rocks wasted little time getting the lead in the third quarter. Nate Froelich punched the ball in for a 3-yard touchdown at the 8:36 mark, and Harrison again kicked the extra point. The senior kicker added two more field goals late in the third period; his first was from 53 yards to give Westfield the lead, and he then booted a 24-yarder with 13 seconds left.

"Will Harrison dominated the game," said Gilbert. "I've never seen a kicker play that well in high school football. He kicked off every touchback, he punted the ball amazing, he kicked field goals, PATs."

Westfield's defense had already held Snider scoreless in the second and third periods, and did it again in the fourth quarter. Hank Grenda had 10 tackles for the game, with Josh Tufnell and Colin Caldwell each getting nine and Jackson Garrett making eight tackles, including 1.5 for a loss.

"Defensively we struggled to stop the run in the first half, but really, we made some adjustments," said Gilbert. I thought it was much better in the second half. We didn't force as many takeaways as I thought we could, but we held in there just enough."

This is the third semi-state championship for Westfield. The Shamrocks also won semi-state in 1992, way back when they were a Class 2A team.

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Will Harrison kicked three field goals, including a 53-yarder in the third quarter, and two extra points for Westfield during their semi-state win.

**Westfield 23,  
Snider 17**

Score by Quarters:  
Snider 10 0 7 0-17  
Westfield 0 10 13 0-23

**Team Stats**

	SHS	WHS
First Downs	12	8
By Rush	10	7
By Pass	2	1
By Penalty	0	0
Yards Rushing	42-291	45-149
Yards Passing	40	25
Comp/Att/Int.	7-16-0	1-6-1
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards	5-30	3-19
Punts/Average	6-26.8	6-37.3

**Westfield Scoring**

**Second Quarter**  
Will Harrison 39-yard field goal, 2:39  
Evan Manley 25-yard pass from Andrew Sweet (Harrison kick), 0:42

**Third Quarter**  
Froelich 3-yard run (Harrison kick), 8:36  
Harrison 53-yard field goal, 3:22  
Harrison 24-yard field goal, 0:13

**Westfield Stats**

Rushing: Froelich 26-63, Sweet 11-55,  
Johnny Swidan 7-35, Dorian Henson 1-minus 4.  
Passing: Sweet 1-6-25.  
Receiving: Manley 1-25.

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Westfield junior Griffin Lickfeldt led the cheers after his Shamrocks team beat Fort Wayne Snider 23-17 in the Class 5A north semi-state Friday night at Riverview Health Stadium. Lickfeldt had two solo tackles in the game.

Westfield senior Austin Ward was in the middle of the celebration Friday night after the 'Rocks won semi-state. Ward had two tackles (one solo and one assist) for Westfield in its victory.





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Girls basketball...

Millers win conference opener over Bulldogs

Noblesville pulled away from Brownsburg in the fourth quarter of its Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener Friday, and that gave the Millers a 58-47 victory.

Noblesville jumped out to a 15-9 first-quarter lead, but the host Bulldogs chipped away, getting to within 26-21 at halftime and 38-37 after three periods. But the Millers outscored Brownsburg 19-10 in the final quarter.

Emily Kiser had another big game for Noblesville, earning a double-double of 23 points and 18 rebounds. Kiser also made four steals. Mallory Johnson drained three 3-pointers on her way to 15 points, while Brooke Herron chipped in 11 points.

The Millers are now 4-2, having won their last four games. Noblesville is back home at The Mill on Tuesday to host Carmel.



Herron

Johnson

Maddie Knight	1-7	4-7	6	2
Madison Whetro	0-3	0-0	0	0
Brooke Herron	4-10	3-6	11	4
Emily Kiser	7-18	9-11	23	2
Kailyn Mertens	0-0	0-0	0	1
Sam Salmon	1-3	0-0	3	2
Totals	18-52	18-26	58	12
Score by Quarters				
Noblesville	15	11	13	19 - 58
Brownsburg	9	12	16	10 - 47
Noblesville 3-point shooting (4-13) Johnson 3-6,				
Salmon 1-3, Whetro 0-2, Morales 0-1, Knight				
0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (40) Kiser 18, Knight 7,				
Herron 5, Johnson 2, Salmons 2, Whetro 1,				
team 5.				

Noblesville 58, Brownsburg 47

Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Mallory Johnson	5-10	2-2	15	1
Olivia Morales	0-1	0-0	0	0

Huskies blast Eastern, move above .500 mark

Hamilton Heights moved above the .500 mark Friday night after dominating Eastern 46-10 in a game at the Comets' gym.

The 10 points that Eastern scored were the fewest that a Huskies team had allowed since 2011, when Heights won a 91-8 contest. The Huskies led Eastern 34-8 at halftime, then only gave up one point each in the third and fourth quarters.

"We guarded the heck out of them tonight," said Heights coach Keegan Cherry. "It was a great defensive effort for us tonight."

Kayla Kirtley poured in four 3-pointers, and ultimately led the Huskies' scoring with 15 points. Ashton Runner added 10 points. Lauryn Wiley pulled six rebounds, and Kirtley grabbed five boards.

Heights is off until next Saturday, Nov. 26, when it travels to Mount Vernon.



A. Runner

Wiley

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ana Collar	2-2	2-5	6	2

Kayla Kirtley	5-11	1-2	15	2
Ashton Runner	5-9	0-2	10	1
Lauryn Wiley	4-7	0-0	8	1
Sydney Griffey	0-3	2-2	2	4
Kinzie Dimmick	0-1	0-0	0	1
Peyton Dissett	0-1	0-1	0	1
Totals	18-39	5-15	46	15
Score by Quarters				
Heights	15	19	10	2 - 46
Eastern	4	4	1	1 - 10
Heights 3-point shooting (5-10) Kirtley 4-7, B. Runner 1-2, Dissett 0-1.				
Heights rebounds (25) Wiley 6, Kirtley 5, Collar 4, A. Runner 3, Griffey 3, Dimmick 2, B. Runner 1, Dissett 1.				

Heights 46, Eastern 10

Middle school basketball results

The Noblesville East eighth-grade boys basketball team defeated Tipton 28-22 on Thursday.

Evan Wilson lead the East Millers with 17 points. Other scorers were Jared Crandall 5, Holden Montarsi 4 and Jake Sexton 2.

Noblesville West's eighth-grade boys basketball team was swept by Creekside on Thursday.

The "A" team fell to 41-34. Tolliver led the West Millers with 12 points and eight rebounds. Also scoring were Bowen 9, Conard 8 and Easters 4. Easters also had five rebounds.

The "B" team dropped a 36-34 game. Howard scored 10 points and also grabbed five rebounds. Other scorers were McCormick 6, Ray 5, Watness 4, Dripps 4, Unger 3 and Fivecoate 2. Hardy had three blocked shots, while Howard made two blocks.

The Noblesville West 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball team split their two games with Creekside Thursday evening. In the A game, the Millers fell to Creekside 39-48. Austin Fuquay led the Millers with 17 points, while Kyle Goad and Palmer Ault pitched in eight points apiece. Also scoring were Bell 3, Spelman 2 and Kazmiersky 1.

In the B game, Luke Wilson and Jake Paska led the Millers to a 35-23 victory with 10 and 9 points respectively. Also scoring were Cleland 4, Niswonger 4, O'Rourke 3, Johnson 2, Skomp 2 and Smart 1.

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Phoenix 116, Indiana 96		Toronto 113, Denver 111, OT
Cleveland 104, Detroit 81		San Antonio 116, L.A. Lakers 107
New Orleans 113, Portland 101		L.A. Clippers 121, Sacramento 115
Oklahoma City 124, Brooklyn 106		

Eastern Conference				
Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	8	4	.667	-
Boston	6	6	.500	1.0
New York	5	7	.417	2.5
Brooklyn	4	8	.333	3.0
Philadelphia	2	10	.167	5.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	9	3	.750	-
Charlotte	8	3	.727	1.5
Orlando	5	7	.417	4.5
Washington	3	8	.273	6.0
Miami	3	8	.273	6.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	10	2	.833	-
Chicago	8	4	.667	1.5
Detroit	6	7	.462	3.5
Indiana	6	7	.462	3.5
Milwaukee	5	6	.455	4.0

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Oklahoma City	8	5	.615	-
Utah	7	6	.538	0.5
Portland	7	7	.500	0.5
Minnesota	4	7	.364	2.5
Denver	4	8	.333	2.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Antonio	10	3	.769	-
Houston	7	5	.583	2.0
Memphis	7	5	.583	2.5
New Orleans	3	10	.231	7.0
Dallas	2	9	.182	6.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Clippers	11	2	.846	-
Golden State	10	2	.833	0.5
L.A. Lakers	7	6	.538	3.0
Sacramento	4	9	.308	6.0
Phoenix	4	9	.308	7.0

# Injured Pacers fall to energetic Suns

By GREG RAPPAPORT  
Courtesy [nba.com/pacers](http://nba.com/pacers)  
With two of their four leading scorers out with injury, the Pacers struggled to generate offense against an energetic Suns team, as Indiana fell 116-96 to Phoenix on Friday at Bankers Life Fieldhouse during their first Hickory Night of the season.  
Paul George (sore left ankle) sat out the night, awaiting further evaluation on his ankle. And, just minutes into the game, C.J. Miles went down with an apparent knee injury, quickly knocking out two of Indiana's most reliable long-range shooters.

The Suns used a defensively dominant fourth quarter to seal the game, as the Pacers' 3-point shooting wasn't so much off as it was nowhere to be found. Indiana attempted just seven shots from beyond the arc, making one. Conversely, the Suns drilled nine from deep, eight of which came from players on their bench, as they pushed ahead for the 20-point victory.  
In what was a surprise announcement by Pacers head coach Nate McMillan during his pregame media availability, it was disclosed that Paul George would miss the game due to lingering left ankle soreness. The injury was sustained during Indiana's recent game against the 76ers, and caused

George to miss Saturday's game against the Celtics. Still, George played on Monday and Wednesday — both home wins for the Pacers — before the team concluded the ankle needed further evaluation.  
Opening the game without George, the Pacers struggled to find their footing. Making matters worse, C.J. Miles went to the floor clutching his knee in the first quarter, further shaking up the depth chart.  
McMillan had to turn to the services of Glenn Robinson III and Georges Niang, neither of whom have been playing regular minutes of late. Robinson III didn't generate much in the way of offense early on, but made his presence felt in the second half with a rollicking alley-oop from the hands of Monta Ellis, sending The Fieldhouse into a frenzy.  
To open up the second quarter, the Pacers displayed energy, quickly cutting their deficit to just five points after early buckets from Rodney Stuckey — who made a return from injury after going down with a hamstring strain in the second game of the season — and Lavoy Allen.  
Late in the second, the Pacers whittled the deficit to just four points, but a late burst from the Suns put Phoenix up 57-49 at the halftime whistle.  
In the third, the Pacers came out of the locker room on a tear, using a 10-2 run which featured seven points from Robinson III to climb right back into the game after trailing by eight at the half.  
When Myles Turner — who finished with a game-high 22 points — connected on a jumper with 7:40 remaining in the third, it put Indiana in the lead, 63-62, its first lead of the night.  
The teams traded leads for the remainder of the quarter until the Suns put together a brief 9-2 run to regain control of the game.  
The Pacers began the fourth quarter trailing by just seven, but midway through the quarter, the Suns went on the game-defining run, outscoring the Pacers 15-2 over a five-minute stretch of play to push the game out of reach for good, as Phoenix won the game's final quarter 27-14.

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