By Richie Hall

The theme of this year’s Hamilton County 4-H Queen Pageant was “An Evening in Paris” - appropriately for Bastille Day, was “An Evening in Paris” - appropriate for Bastille Day, was “An Evening in Paris” - appropriate for Bastille Day. The pageant was held on Friday evening. More photos appear on Page 4.

Victoria Spartz enters race for Kenley’s Senate seat

The news is still on Victoria Spartz, 38 of Noblesville, saying she is ready to take on the challenge of making Indiana a better place for all Hoosiers. “I want to take my knowledge and extensive experience in the business world and apply it to state government,” said Spartz. “Representing Hamilton County in the State Senate would be an honor and a privilege.”

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MEETING NOTICES

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County ISS Board will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at the Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana (Conference Room 1A). The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of ISSD projects.

/s/ Robin Mills, Hamilton County Auditor

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QUEEN

educational and it prepares you for so much more in life with the interview.”

Mills and her court will be a major presence at the 4-H Fair, which runs from July 20-24 this year. The other members of the court include:

First runner-up: Viktoria Mills, 16, Westfield, of Carmel 4-C’s
Second runner-up: Emma Swain, 17, of Sheridan Ag
Third runner-up: Rebeca Hayes, 17, of Noblesville, of Forest Hill
Fourth runner-up: Ashlyn Robertson, 16, of Progressive Farmers
Miss Congeniality: Crystal Xue, 17, of Carmel 4-C’s

“It’s such a great honor, particularly because it’s the peers that vote for you,” said Xue. “So it’s truly a testament to their greatness and how well that they performed.”

Xue enjoyed the Queen Pageant experience as well.

“I absolutely loved it,” she said. “It taught me so much about being confident in myself and learning new things, and of course being open.”

Right before the 2017 queen was announced, 2016 queen Rachel Adams spoke to the crowd. In addition, Phyllis Davis entertained the crowd with some piano selections while the judges were making their decision. This was her 50th pageant.

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The Town of Cicero will meet on July 18th at 6:30 p.m. in an executive session according to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(2)(d). The purchase or lease of real property by governing body up to the time a contract or opinion to purchase or lease is executed by parties at the Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron Street Cicero, IN 46034.

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Downtown Westfield will be easier to get around beginning this week, when the Downtown Westfield Association (DWA) launches its new shuttle service. The shuttle service is a partnership between DWA, the city of Westfield and Moyer Fine Jewelers.

Dan Moyer, owner of Moyer Fine Jewelers, purchased the former Park Street Pub property for future development and is excited to use the parking lot put to good use as the shuttle’s home base.

“I’m glad to help the city enhance the downtown Westfield experience,” says Moyer. “I envision that one day Park Street will become the Mass Ave of Hamilton County. Westfield has a lot to offer that is unique to the area and as an entrepreneur I’m excited to be a part of it.”

The shuttle will pick riders up at the former Park Street Pub property and take them to their destinations on Park Street. The shuttle is planned to run from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Hours may change based on need. The shuttle will initially service the Park Street business area, with plans to expand the service as ridership needs increase.

**TODAY’S BIBLE VERSE**

Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

Matthew 13:32
Lightning-strike fire at Noble Manor

Noblesville firefighters quickly worked to put out a fire at the Noble Manor apartment complex Thursday evening. The fire was one of two blazes caused by lightning strikes associated with thunderstorms that evening.

Photos by Dawn Williams

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It's only natural that kids get excited for summer vacation. However, parents may be concerned about “summer brain drain,” which occurs when students lose the knowledge they gained during the school year.

Unfortunately, many children show learning losses when they return to school in the fall, and these summer setbacks are cumulative, resulting in increasing levels of learning loss over time, according to RAND research.

“Parents can keep minds sharp by creating fun learning opportunities at home,” says Dr. Clement Chau, director of learning for VTech and LeapFrog, home to a number of educational learning products. To help families avoid summer setbacks, Chau is offering the following ideas and tips.

1. Visit a library. Many libraries offer summer reading challenges which can prove to be great motivation to crack open a book. Enlist the expertise of librarians to help children find titles they'll enjoy, and use the “five-finger” test to be sure your child has books at the proper reading level: read one page of a book; if there are more than five unknown words, have your child choose another book.

2. Learn about a new topic. Has your child been collecting rocks when playing outdoors? Does he or she like to point out different shapes of clouds in the sky? Encourage children to research and learn more about the subjects that fascinate them. If they are passionate about a topic, they'll be more likely to seek out more information.

3. Set aside required reading time. On average, children who read more than 20 minutes a day scored above the 90th percentile on standardized reading tests, and reading just six books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing, according to the Scholastic Kids & Family Reading Report. Make reading a daily habit in your home.

4. Look for teachable moments. Going to a baseball game? Show your child how to calculate a batting average or a pitcher’s ERA. Making dinner? Let your child measure the ingredients. Clipping coupons? Show your child how much money will be saved in your grocery budget. Going on a road trip? Look up some fun facts about the different states you'll see on license plates.

5. Read together. Forty-eight percent of children ages six to eight report that they want adults to read aloud to them, even though they are able to read on their own, according to the Scholastic Kids & Family Reading Report. Use this time with your child to discuss the topics in the book and ask questions that help build critical thinking skills. Try such prompts as: Tell me about your favorite character. What was your favorite part of the book and why? Would you recommend this book to a friend?

“With a fun focus on learning, you can help children stay academically active all summer, which will help ease the transition back to the classroom in fall,” says Chau.
Seven county athletes play in North South All-Star Football Game

Noblesville's Drew Hartmann was one of seven Hamilton County football players who participated in the Indiana Football Coaches Association's North South All-Star Football Game, which took place Friday evening at North Central.

Six of the seven players were on the South team, with Hamilton Heights' Jesse Brown competing on the North team.

Clay Merchent broke through The Fort this week.

The Noblesville junior-to-be won the 16-18 division and the overall category of the Boys Indiana Junior PGA Championship, which took place at The Fort Golf Course in Indianapolis. Merchent finished the two-round tournament with a score of 136 — eight under par and five shots ahead of second place.

Merchent carded a three-under 69 for his first round, then went five under to score 67 in the second round. He also led a Hamilton County charge, as four of the top six golfers were from here.

Clay Merchent wins Boys Indiana Junior PGA Championship

In the 13-15 division, Carmel's Shoji Fujita finished second with a 145, shoo- ing a 71 on the second day. Carmel's Drake Biggs placed fourth with 146, and Fishers' Alex Akula was tied with 150.

BOYS 16-18

BOYS 13-15

Missed cut: Akio Fujita, Carmel 80; Grant Troyer, Carmel 80; Stephen Hildebrand, Carmel 80; Luke Mattingly, Fishers 82; Danny Paris, Noblesville 82; Nick Fisher, Fishers 84; Chris Scheib, Noblesville 86; Malik Hicks, Carmel 90; John Cherry, Fishers 87; Sam Elliott, Westfield 90; Caleb Bopp, Fishers 91.

Missed cut: Mekheil Garcia, Fishers 82; Nick Katsis, Carmel 82; David Cooke, Fishers 82; Teddy George, Carmel 83; Billy McCullough, Carmel 83; Christian Hain, Carmel 84; Branden Estes, Fishers 84; Sam Crouse, Fishers 86; Jackson Deets, Carmel 87; Brent Heaster, Westfield 92; Timmy Leonard, Carmel 103; Matt Wolf, Fishers 105; Jeremy Jones, McCordsville 115.
Fisher's Winings ties for third at Indiana Open

Fisher's Andrew Winings was the top Hamilton County finisher at the Indiana Open, which took place this week at Pebble Brook.

Winings shot a four-under par 210 over the three-round event to tie for third place. The tournament was stretched out due to rain over the week; nevertheless, Winings was able to play a consistent round each time, and totaled 13 birdies for the event.

Other county top 10 finishers included Carmel's Jeff Doty, who dropped in nine birdies on his way to a three-under par 211, placing him in a three-way tie for fifth. Carmel's Brad Gehl tied for eighth with a birdie on his way to a three-under par 211, making a second-round eagle on hole No. 10.

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Fever drop fourth straight game, fall to Washington

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Candice Dupree, who entered tonight's game with 11 straight games with 20 or more points and five rebounds in 25 minutes. Candice Dupree, made her first start of the season and finished with seven points and 11 rebounds, her third game with at least 10 rebounds in a game this season.

The Mystics snapped a three-game losing streak as they improved their record to 11-8 on the season with a 4-0 record on the road. Washington forward Elena Delle Donne led the game with a right ankle sprain in the first quarter. She did not return and will be evaluated tomorrow. Mystics center Emma Meesseman led Washington with 15 points and three assists. Former Fever center Krystal Thomas finished with 14 points, seven rebounds and four blocks.

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North South All-Star Football Game

ABOVE: Hamilton Heights’ Jesse Brown was the lone Hamilton County player on the North team.
LEFT: Westfield’s Grace Beam served as a manager for the South team.

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Hamilton County Reporter 28-Day Facebook Stats

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People reached: 303%

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### Friday’s scores

- Chicago Cubs 9, Baltimore 8
- Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 2
- N.Y. Mets 4, Colorado 2
- L.A. Dodgers 6, Miami 4
- Boston 5, N.Y. Yankees 4
- Washington 5, Cincinnati 0
- Texas 6, Kansas City 3
- Cleveland 10, Columbus 4
- Tampa Bay 2, L.A. Angels 1, 10 innings
- San Francisco 5, San Diego 4

### Sports

- Reporter photo by Kirk Green
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- Hamilton Southeastern’s Trey Poore (left), and Westfield’s Jackson Garrett (below left) and Justin Frey (bottom left), all played for the South team during Friday’s All-Star Football Game.