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Heights exchange students hit the slopes

The REPORTER

This is Hamilton Heights Spanish teacher Jane Shields's third time coordinating an exchange experience for Costa Rican students and their local host families at Hamilton Heights. This year, 17 high school students aged 15 to 17 and three teacher chaperones from three different schools of the Limon Province of Costa Rica got to call northern Hamilton County home. After an amazing two weeks of non-stop fun and education, the Costa Rican students and their host families said their goodbyes, but the time together and shared experiences of this cultural exchange will last a lifetime.

The exchange students divided their time between attending classes with their Heights' partners and taking excursions to other schools and Indiana attractions. After school and on the weekends, the group kept a full schedule engaging in a wide variety of local and regional amenities.

"The students had a full two weeks during their visit here," explained Shields, who said she was touched by the rousing farewell the students received at the Heights Boys basketball game the last Friday the students were in town. "It was a testament to how much the whole community appreciated having them here. It definitely takes a coordinated effort involving many students, faculty, staff and community members to host students from another country."

"It is really an incredible opportunity for everyone involved," continued Shields. "This type of immersion experience gives students from both cultures a chance to



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Costa Rican exchange students along with their Heights classmates enjoyed a variety of extra-curricular activities, including tubing at the newly opened Koteewi Run Snow tubing hill. For most, this was the first time they experienced snow and tubing. **(Standing, from left)** Caitlin Hartwick, Adriana Salas Fonseca, Gakseidy Jimenez Fuentes, Oscar Briceño Quirós, Aubree Young, Gabriel Young and Monserrat Pamela Vallejos. **(Sitting, from left)** Rosemary Allison, Amelia Ringer and Jose Andres Obando Guzman.

learn a little more about each other. Together they attended Heights' basketball games, the winter homecoming dance, visited Westfield High School and had a day of introducing Heights third and fourth graders to

Costa Rican culture."

The group also attended a Pacer's game, enjoyed a day at Fair Oaks Farm in Rensselaer, visited the Children's Museum and went tubing at Koteewi Run Snow Slope

in Strawtown. Host parents introduced their students to variety of American-style cuisine, bowling, ice skating and attended

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(From left) Conner Prairie's Normal Burns, Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness, HSE Supt. Allen Bourff and retired HSE SPORTS Executive Director Lynda Carlino at a *LarryInFishers* podcast recorded as the announcement of the new festival was made.

Fishers summer festival, changing of the guard

By **LARRY LANNAN**
LarryInFishers.com



The announcement was made official in early November last year, but there were strong indications earlier in 2017 that the Fishers Freedom Festival was not

likely to continue as it had since 1989. Here is a brief look at what happened and what may be coming this summer.

The Fishers Freedom Festival has been run by a separate nonprofit organization since its inception in 1989. The festival always relied on local government support, in the form of both cash and in-kind (police, fire, parks, public works,

etc.). In recent years, the festival organization received roughly \$85,000 a year in direct cash from the city and about \$45,000 annually for in-kind support.

In a podcast interview with *LarryInFishers* recorded on Nov. 9, 2017, City Councilman Brad DeReamer said he was the one questioning the amount of support the city was providing the nonprofit Free-

dom Festival group. It was DeReamer's idea, he said, to form a nonprofit committee within the city council to look at all nonprofit organizations seeking city support.

The council committee considered all requests, including one from the Fishers Freedom Festival Board, and announced late

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Hamilton North Public Library awarded Frankenstein grant

The REPORTER

Hamilton North Public Library has received a Community Read grant of \$1,000 from Indiana Humanities to participate in a statewide read of the classic novel "Frankenstein." More than 60 other communities will read the book as part of One State / One Story: Frankenstein. HNPL is one of few participants in Hamilton County to bring this unique experience to the community.

Written by a teenage Mary Shelley in 1818, "Frankenstein" tells the story of a young scientist who created a grotesque living creature through a scientific experiment and was horrified by what he

had made.

"Frankenstein is a powerful book that raises big questions about right and wrong, how we treat other people and the relationship between science and society," said Keira Amstutz, president and CEO of Indiana Humanities. "That's what makes it such an important book to read as a community and as a state. We want to catalyze those serious conversations, but we want Hoosiers to have a little fun with the book, too."

If you are interested in participating in the Community Read and would like to pick up a

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Carmel photographer lands spot on Team USA for World Photographic Cup

By **BRITTANY LEWIS**
wishTV.com

A Carmel photographer has been picked to be on Team USA at the 2018 World Photographic Cup.

The World Photographic Cup is a

chance for photographers to represent their country by competing against photographers from all over the world.

Roben Bellomo, who owns Bellomo Studios in Carmel, was formally announced as part of the team a few weeks ago.

The photo of his that will be used in the competition is called "Brothers of War" and is a photo of Indiana veterans that was taken as part of the Indy Honor Flight.

"It's been really humbling to be, not only did we not apply, but to be invited into such an elite group of photographers

and there's some really amazing photographers in this group. It's amazing to see them and sit on the stage with them," said Bellomo.

The winner of the World Photographic Cup will be announced at a ceremony in Australia on May 5.

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Ayers endorses Christine Pauley for county council

The REPORTER

Approximately 45 people we on hand Tuesday night at Point Blank Range & Gun Shop, 1250 W. City Center Drive, Carmel, to show support for Christine Pauley, candidate for Hamilton County Council District 4. At the fundraiser, catered by Donatello's Italian Restaurant, Hamilton County Councilman Paul Ayers publicly endorsed Pauley's run for the District 4 seat.

"He [Ayers] had written a letter to the precinct chairs letting them know that he was going to endorse me," Pauley said. "Last night he was public about it. We had a good number a people turn out and one part of this that was very good is that I had quite a number of young people there. They are our future. At least 25 percent of the people there were young Republicans."

Pauley is currently the City of Carmel Clerk-Treasurer, which is an elected position. She won that election against a 20-year incumbent in 2015, beginning her term in 2016.

She is also the executive director of the Carmel

Bond Bank. According to Pauley the Carmel Bond Bank is a separate entity from the city, as required by statute. When Carmel became a second-class city in January 2016, they had to establish the bond bank to consolidate and achieve efficiency for combined sales of bonds. Carmel's Bond Bank had a combined bond sale of approximately \$254 million.

When Carmel became to a second-class city, the city council changed its form of governance. Part of that is the establishment of a controller and a city clerk of court. Those structural changes take effect in the 2020 election. The fiscal responsibilities of the current clerk-treasurer will be transferred to the city controller, a mayoral appointment.

Pauley told The Reporter her decision to run for the District 4 council seat was, "Based on the desire to give back to the community in that capacity I am currently under, which is as the fiscal officer for the City of Carmel. Along with my experience with the Carmel Bond Bank, that is transferrable in a seamless fashion to the

county level because the county council is the fiscal body for the county. I have a wealth of business experience prior to my election as clerk-treasurer."

She said she believes her understanding of municipal finance can be of high value to the county council as they begin to realize the variety of infrastructure investments the county is currently looking at pursuing.

"All you have to do is look at Steve Dillinger's state of the county report and see how strong we are going to be pursuing infrastructure investments," Pauley said. "I work directly at the state, county and city level, not only here in Carmel. I started a Hamilton County area finance officers' group. We meet on a quarterly basis at each other's city halls for Zionsville, Carmel, Westfield, Fishers and Noblesville. We discuss issues of importance that affect each one of us. I have established a cohesive group of peers within the surrounding communities to work together as a team to solve problems."



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Hamilton County Councilman Paul Ayers (right) publicly announced his endorsement of Christine Pauley (left), candidate for District 4 of the county council, at a Pauley campaign event Tuesday at Point Blank Range and Gun Shop in Carmel.

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EXCHANGE STUDENTS

several group gatherings in the homes of some of the host families. Shopping is always a popular activity for the "Ticos" as name brand clothes and electronics are much cheaper in the United States.

Students bonding with their host families and new American friends is an important part of the experience. The Costa Rican students had a chance to work on their English language skills and experience firsthand life in the American Midwest. Heights students also learned a lot more about Costa Rican culture and what it takes to learn another language. Many Heights students got a chance to learn typical Costa Rican dances during class.

It's been a great cultural experience for Kerri Young and her two high-school-aged children, Aubree, 14, and Gabriel, 16. This is the Youngs' first time to serve as a host family taking in two Costa Rican students, Oscar Briceño Quirós, 16, and Monserrat Pamela Vallejos, 15. "It was a two-week whirlwind where we all enjoyed sharing a variety of experiences and made some really great memories," said Young, who is the Flags Auxiliary Instructor at Hamilton Heights High School.

"I liked sharing in the



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(Left) Kerri and Nick Bontreger have served as a host family for this program three times. (From left) Guiliana Hernandez, Kerri Bontreger, Chloe Bontreger and Nancy Ramirez, teacher. (Right) Maynor Campos Castillo, Peyton Dimmock and Kinsey Dimmock with Boomer at a Pacers game.

activities with my friends, meeting many beautiful people and have a great family in Indiana," said Monserrat Pamela Vallejos of her experience.

Oscar Briceño Quirós agreed, adding that all the different and fun activities will be remembered, especially his favorite, sledding. "Even if I do not know most people they treat you well and make you feel at home," he said. "That's nice and the best part of the experience."

Aubree Young said her favorite part was going to Zoo'Opolis with Monserrat and Oscar. "I also really liked sitting at the dinner table every night to share a meal and talk about our day." Young's brother, Ga-

briel, added it was great having Oscar and Monserrat stay with them. "Every evening offered up something new and exciting."

Chris and Mary Ringer, who have three children at Heights - Amelia, 17, Joe, 15, and Haley, 12 - also opened their home to one of the students. "We enjoyed sharing our lives and our home with Jose Andres Obando Guzman, 16. "Jose was willing to participate in every activity scheduled and every food presented," said Mary Ringer of her first host home experience. "He's a part of our family now and I am sure we'll keep in touch."

Daughter Amelia Ringer added that she enjoyed meeting people from a dif-

ferent culture and doing fun activities with the exchange students from going to Fair Oaks Farm to just hanging out."

Like the other exchange students, Guzman said he enjoyed visiting a new country which he described as "different and beautiful." "I enjoyed the experience, meeting wonderful people, and was welcomed as a member of the Ringer family," he added, along with hopes of a return visit.

"Many of our students may not have an opportunity to travel outside of the country but through this enriching exchange experience were able to bring a little bit of the Costa Rican culture and lifestyle to Heights," noted Shields.

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last August its decision to no longer fund the Freedom Festival.

The Freedom Festival Board took a few weeks to ponder whether it could support a 2018 festival without city support. In early November, the board announced the nonprofit would not be able to stage a 2018 festival without the city's cash and in-kind support.

The city had said as early as late August that if the Freedom Festival organization chose not to continue, the city would pick up the slack. That commitment was reinforced last November, but how the city would go about organizing the summer festival was still an open question.

More is now known about that. Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness, along with Deputy Mayor Leah McGrath, decided to bring in a wide group of people for ideas on the new festival. The event has a new name - Spark!Fishers.

The planning for this year's summer festival consists of seven separate committees and over 80 people. A few details are known. There will be a Friday night concert at the newly-remodeled Amphitheater in the Nickel Plate District featuring an act with a national reputation. There will be a parade, fireworks and a street fair. The celebration will happen on a Friday and Saturday, as opposed to the Saturday-Sunday festival schedule in years past.

There are four honorary co-chairs for Spark!Fishers, containing a list of the movers and shakers for the city. They are Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness, Conner Prairie CEO Norman Burns, HSE Schools Superintendent Allen Bourff and recently-retired HSE SPORTS Executive Director Lynda Carlino.

When I interviewed Fishers Freedom Festival Board President Don Dragoo the day after the

board announced it would not stage a 2018 Freedom Festival, he wished the city well in continuing the traditions set by the Freedom Festival, but questioned whether the city would be making a good financial deal.

"I get a little confused by the fact that this is probably going to cost the city more money to continue than what they would have donated to us for putting it on with our volunteers," Dragoo said on Nov. 9.

That is something obviously not known at this point. However, I am told that the seven committees of the 2018 Spark!Fishers Festival are working on commercial sponsorship and their goal is to minimize any costs to the city. Whether that goal is achieved will not be known until we are much closer to the time of the festival itself.

I have written many times of my fondness for the Fishers Freedom Festival and its history. I moved to Fishers with my wife Jane in 1991, so I was here for the third festival and have visited nearly every one since. I have vivid memories of taking my young daughters, now adults, to the festival each year. Our first home was in the Sunblest neighborhood and the festival was a nice walk from our house.

I understand the need for preserving the past, but it is also valuable to move with the times and change things up a bit. I am looking forward to the Spark!Fishers 2018 summer festival June 29 and 30. I won't make the festivities June 29, as I will be walking one of my daughters down the aisle on her wedding day, but I just might see you Saturday, June 30.

Let's thank the Fishers Freedom Festival for a job well done for more than 28 years. At the same time, let's wish the city well with its Spark!Fishers Festival this year.

GRANT

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copy of Frankenstein now, please visit the library or go to hnpl.lib.in.us to reserve a copy. Frankenstein is available in print, audiobook, ebook and e-audiobook format.

HNPL is planning its line-up of 2018 Frankenstein programs. This list is what is confirmed so far, but watch for more:

- Frankenstein Weaving for grades 6-12 with Deanna Leonard - March 19
- Frankenstein Weaving for ages 8-11 with Deanna Leonard - March 20

- Frankenstein Book Discussion for Teens and Adults - June 4
- Taste of the Book - Frankenstein themed - June 11

- Frankenstein movie - Original 1931 version June 16
- Bride of Frankenstein movie - Original 1935 version - July 21

- Mystery Book Club: Frankenstein read-alike book - July 23
- Frankenstein Family Chocolate-Making Event - Aug. 30

- Frankenstein Story-Time Programming - Week of Oct. 15
- Frankenstein Family Chocolate-Making Event - Oct. 26

Watch HNPL's [online calendar](#) and newsletter for more Frankenstein-themed programs.

One State / One Story: Frankenstein is an initiative designed by Indiana Humanities, in partnership with the Indiana State Library and Indiana Center for the Book, to encourage Hoosiers to read the clas-

sic novel as it turns 200 in 2018. One State / One Story: Frankenstein has been made possible in part by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Learn more at IndianaHumanities.org/Frankenstein.

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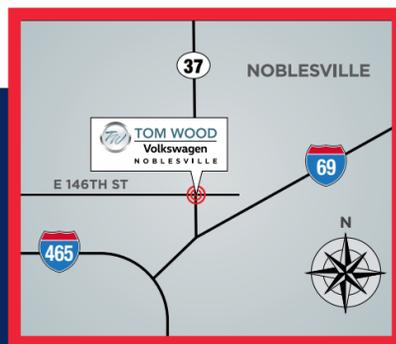
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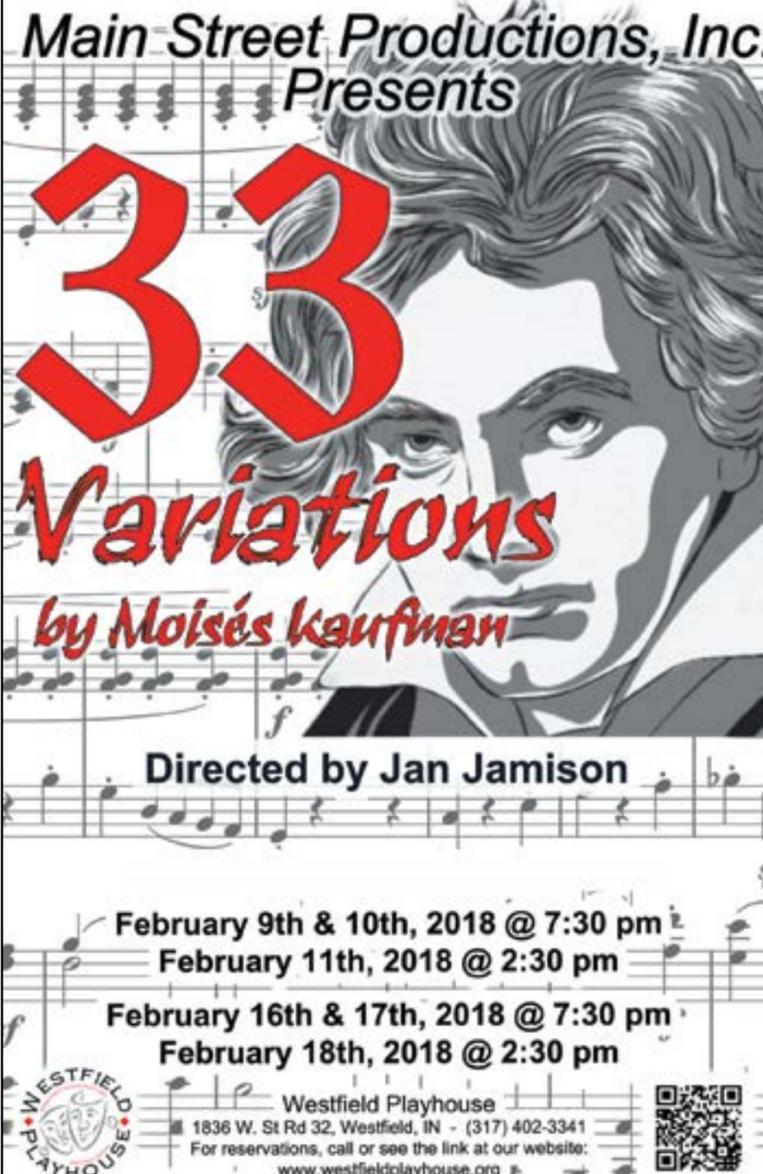
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Phi Beta Psi Indiana scholarship information

The REPORTER

Phi Beta Psi Sorority is a national philanthropic organization whose national project is cancer research, however, Indiana State Organization of Phi Beta Psi Sorority offers scholarships to high school seniors or returning adult students who wish to go into Medical Technology, Medical Lab Technology, Radiology Technology, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Cytotechnology, or Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

This scholarship is \$1,000 per year, awarded for one, two or four consecutive years provided the student continues his or her studies in an approved field and has maintained a cumulative grade point av-

erage of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.

A new scholarship will be presented each year in April to worthy Indiana residents to further their education in a school of Medical Pathology (ASCP), a school of Lab Technology, a school of X-ray Technology or a school of Nuclear Medicine Technology.

Students will be asked to sign a written contract that in the event they change their major mid-year, or do not finish the school year, they will reimburse the State Scholarship Program the amount received that year at the minimum rate of \$50 per month. In the event the student doesn't maintain a 3.0 GPA their annual renewal

will be forfeited and they must re-apply as a new applicant.

There are three Phi Beta Psi chapters in Hamilton County – Arcadia, Noblesville and Sheridan. There is also a chapter in Tipton. To obtain an application and the scholarship rules please contact Vicki Cooper, 317-984-3702. She will send you the information you need or get you in touch with a Phi Beta Psi member at a chapter closest to you. This must be done in a timely manner as the sponsoring chapter must receive the application and attachments by Monday, March 19 for forwarding to the State Scholarship Chair, who must receive all materials by Sunday, April 1.

Ship No. 29 invites you to Ginger's Café

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Navy Club Ship No. 29 invites all Navy, Marine, Army, Air Force and Coast Guard veterans as well as those on

active duty to join them at 6 p.m. this evening, Feb. 8, at Ginger's Café, 1804 Conner St., Noblesville (behind McDonald's). There will be an optional meeting at

6:45 p.m. following dinner. Ship No. 29 meets the second Thursday of each month for dinner at Ginger's Café. Please consider joining them.

146th Street bridge lighting soon complete

The REPORTER

Hamilton County is pleased to announce that the installation of lighting along the bridge carrying 146th Street over US 31 will be complete on Friday, Feb. 9.

"Due to the great amount of public input and support, we were very pleased to make this project a priority and facilitate the effort to add lighting to

the 146th Street bridge over US 31. This project was an excellent example of cooperation between Hamilton County, the City of Carmel, the City of Westfield and INDOT to meet the needs of the public," said County Commissioner



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Christine Altman. Hamilton County was responsible for the funding of the engineering and construction, while the cities of Carmel and Westfield will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the installed lighting.

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Attorney General Curtis Hill warns Hoosiers of tax fraud

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill is warning Hoosiers to beware of scams in which their identities are stolen and used to file fraudulent tax returns.

For many families, the New Year brings hope of long-awaited tax refunds. People may make plans to pay off debts or make significant purchases. Unfortunately, tax identity thieves may also be making plans to use those hard-earned dollars.

Tax identity thieves use other people's Social Security Numbers (SSN) to file taxes and/or even obtain jobs. Most victims initially will not even be aware that this has happened. Some will be notified upon e-filing

that a tax return has already been filed using their SSN.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has partnered with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Treasury Inspector General to bring awareness and tools to help people protect themselves from tax identity theft.

On their website, the FTC has provided free webinars and other information in order to learn what to do if you or someone you know needs assistance with tax identity theft or an IRS imposter scam. Information specifically dedicated to taxpayers,



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military service members and small business operators can also be found on the site.

The IRS has offered the following warning signs of possible tax-related identity theft:

- More than one tax return was filed for you
- You owe additional tax, have a refund offset or have had collection ac-

tions taken against you for a year you did not file a tax return

• IRS records indicate you received wages or other income from an employer for whom you did not work

If you believe you have been the victim of tax-related or any other type of identity theft, the Office of the Indiana Attorney General office can help. Go to indianaconsumer.com or call 1-800-382-5516 to make a complaint.

Carmel: Lowes Way lane closure this month

The REPORTER

Effective Monday, Feb. 26, Lowes Way in Carmel will experience temporary lane closures.

A portion of the western lane of the off ramp will be closed for the installation of

sewer lining. Traffic control will be in place during lane closures from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and should be expected for the two weeks following.

Please drive with caution through this area.

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Three fun ways to celebrate President's Day with the family

StatePoint

President's Day is around the corner. Here are three fun and educational ways to celebrate with kids.

Visit a museum

Check out a local American history museum in your area and head out to learn about past presidents. On the way home, ask kids to share some facts they learned.

Head to the library

Make reading fun by checking out books about American history. Whether it's a biography of George Washington or a novel that takes place during the Civil

War, this is a great opportunity to encourage a love of reading. The librarian can help you find age-appropriate reading material for your kids.

Costume party

Throw a presidential costume party, and have kids dress as presidents and other historical figures. Ask each attendee to tell the group a little bit about his or her figure and costume.

The kids may be out of school, but that's no reason their brains need to take a vacation. Make education fun this President's Day by celebrating the holiday together.

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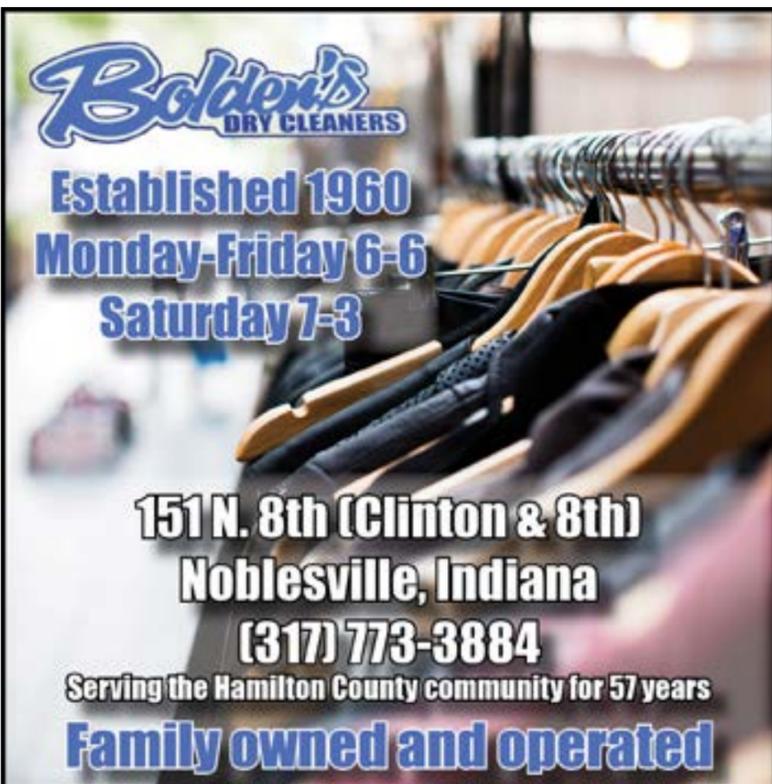
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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

Matthew 20:22-23 (KJV)

Larry J. Franklin

July 8, 1938 – February 5, 2018

Larry J. Franklin, 79, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, February 5, 2018 at Riverview Health. He was born on July 8, 1938, the oldest of nine children of Paul and Henrietta Franklin in Paris, Ill.

If there is anything that anybody knows about Larry it is that he was a family man. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather. Larry was loved tremendously by everyone around him. There was never a time where he was not cracking jokes or had a smile on his face.

Larry loved his wife, Connie, deeply. Larry was the first and only man she loved. I once asked her how she knew that she loved Grandpa, and she told me that he once bought her roses. She pricked her finger on one of the thorns. He then brought her new roses with all the thorns cut off. This is the type of effort that he put into their marriage for the last 50 years. He loved her deeply and their relationship was playful, loving and strong. I always remembered them bantering back and forth but it was always so full of love. I think we can all

learn something from how they loved each other.

As a father, Larry was supportive and loving. He gave Stacia and Todd the type of unconditional love only a father could give. He was extremely supportive of everything they did from sports to music. He gave everything he had to his children. He was extremely family oriented and passed those beliefs down to his children as well. His family was his life.

Getting to have Larry as a grandfather was something I am eternally grateful for. My earliest memories of my grandfather were him cracking jokes at us as we came in the door with a "how ya doin' kiddo?!" He always let us know that he was proud and that he loved us.

A couple things that I know my grandpa was proud of and loved in his life were his family, golf, doo-wop music and the time he spent in the Navy. He was very proud of the Navy. I remember one time we were on a family trip and he was wearing his Navy ball cap. As we were leaving a restaurant, a man stopped, looked at him and said, "Thank you for your service." Larry shook his hand with tears in his eyes and thanked him. That was when I realized what serving his country really meant to him.

Larry lit up every room and made everyone around him smile. He always gave the best advice and wanted us all to be happy. My grandfather kept that attitude all the way through his life and never let his spirit dampen. Even in his last hours he was most concerned about who he was leaving behind. If there's anything I know for sure through all of this it's that my grandfather would not want us all to be sad. He would want us to celebrate the life he did have and find joy in the little things. So as we all reflect on the life of an amazing, unforgettable man, we will smile in remembrance.

(Written by Larry's granddaughter, Ellie, in honor of her grandfather.)

Larry is survived by his wife, Connie (Brinkman) Franklin, whom he married on September 16, 1967; son, Todd (Beth) Franklin; daughter, Stacia Franklin; brothers, Mike Franklin and Paul Franklin; and six grandchildren, Kennedee, Rylee, Max, Kaelan, Ellie and Mason. He was preceded in death by his parents and six siblings.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with visitation from noon to the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Arrangements

Calling: Noon to 1 p.m. Feb. 11
Service: 1 p.m. Feb. 11
Location: Randall & Roberts Funeral Center
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Everitt Neil (Jim) Adams

July 30, 1926 – January 10, 2018

Everitt Neil (Jim) Adams, 91, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at Wellbrooke of Westfield. He was born on July 30, 1926 to Ray and Vera (Sanders) Adams in Austin, Ind.

Jim proudly served his country in the United States Navy and was a self-employed financial executive for 26 years.

He is survived by his wife, Doris Catherine (Smith) Adams; sons, Christopher R. (Janet) Adams, Mark (Marcia) Adams and Jay (Kathy) Adams; brother, Bob Adams; son-in-law, Phil Hilger; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his daughter, Diana Jo Hilger; three brothers; and one sister.

Jim and Doris wish to thank the kind help given by their neighbors in Indiana and Florida these past few years.

Services will be held at noon on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating. Visitation begins one

hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Hamilton Memorial Park Cemetery in Westfield. A celebration of life will be held immediately after the services at Pebble Brook Golf Club in Noblesville.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Arrangements

Calling: 11 a.m. to Noon Feb. 10
Service: Noon Feb. 10
Location: Randall & Roberts Funeral Center
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Gymnastics

Millers doing well despite injuries

By RICHIE HALL
Reporter Sports Editor

If there's a philosophy that fits the Noblesville gymnastics team at the moment, it would be "Next woman up."

Up on to the beam, the vault, whatever. The Millers are dealing with a frustrating round of injuries, but that hasn't prevented them from producing some very good scores.

Noblesville hosted a meet Wednesday at the Noblesville East Middle School, welcoming teams from Lafayette Jefferson and Harrison, along with individual gymnasts from Lafayette Central Catholic and Tri-County. The Raiders won the team competition with a score of 100.40, while the Millers were second with 94.95.

"Despite our injuries, I still feel like we have a very good team," said Noblesville coach Jody Ramey. "Ninety-seven is where we ended last year, that's also where we started this year, but that's also prior to injuries."

The Millers started in the vault, traditionally their best event. That was the case again, as Noblesville earned its best score of 25.225 at the meet. Olivia Mangin led the way with a fourth-place score of 8.45, just ahead of freshman Makayla Kauzlick's 8.425, which got fifth.

Uneven bars were next, where Kauzlick took third with an 8.45. That was followed by the balance beam, where Kauzlick earned a solid 8.975, good for second place and the highest Noblesville score of the night.

"That's also Makayla's season high," said Ramey. Despite a few falls, Ramey said her team is doing very well with its routines.

"We are starting to get out our missed connections, which is huge, because again, it's all about connections for floor and beam," said Ramey. "The more you connect in value, the higher your score's going to be."

The Millers finished the meet with the floor exercise. Kauzlick won that event with an 8.60, while Mangin took sixth with an 8.30. Ramey said that the team had worked really hard over the last few practices to



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Noblesville's Makayla Kauzlick led the way for the Millers in their gymnastics meet Wednesday night. Kauzlick won the floor exercise and took second in the balance beam (pictured) and all-around competition.

increase the value of Mangin's routine.

"And we were able to see a score that matched that tonight," said Ramey. "I was

really proud of her."

Devyn Palmer scored a 7.725 on floor. Ramey called her "fun to watch" doing her floor routine.

"She also has a show choir background and you can tell," said Ramey. "So she's just fun, energetic and enjoyable to watch on the floor. She's also very poised."

"Makayla, who's our top gymnast, beautiful to watch on floor. Her leaps are beyond a 180 split. She has flexibility that's incredible to watch."

Kauzlick finished second in the all-around with a score of 34.45. The overall winner was Mia Clark of Harrison with a 34.825.

Noblesville's next meet is Saturday, when the Millers travel to the Connersville Invitational.

Team scores: Harrison 100.40, Noblesville 94.95, Lafayette Jefferson 83.675, Lafayette Central Catholic inc., Tri-County inc.

All-around scores: 2. Makayla Kauzlick 34.45, Devyn Palmer 30.65, Olivia Mangin 29.85.

Vault: 4. Mangin 8.45, 5. Kauzlick 8.425, Palmer 8.35, Kayleigh Sahr 7.75, Ella Deno 7.65, Racheal Glasener 7.375.

Uneven bars: 3. Kauzlick 8.45, Palmer 7.25, Olivia Mangin 6.65, Sahr 6.50, Glasener 5.05.
Balance beam: 2. Kauzlick 8.975, Palmer 7.325, Mangin 6.45, Deno 5.80.
Floor exercise: 1. Kauzlick 8.60, 6. Mangin 8.30, Palmer 7.725, Sahr 7.50, Deno 6.625.

Huskies' Holder finishes regular season undefeated

The Hamilton Heights boys swim team finished its season with a dual meet against Oak Hill on Wednesday.

The Huskies fell in the team score 131-42, but had several outstanding performances. Jared Holder finished the

regular season undefeated by winning the individual medley and the 100 freestyle. In the 100 free, Holder set a new school record with a time of 48.90. (Turn to Page 8 to see a picture.)

Logan Fakes won the 50 free and took second in the backstroke. Josh Glover finished third in the breaststroke and fourth in the 100 free. Trey Conner had two fifth places, in the 50 free and the backstroke. Payton Tindal finished fourth in the 50 free, while Ethan Hall placed fifth in the backstroke and sixth in the 100 free.

Heights' 200 free relay team of Holder, Fakes, Glover and Tindal took second. The medley relay team of Hall, Conner, Glover and Tindal placed third.



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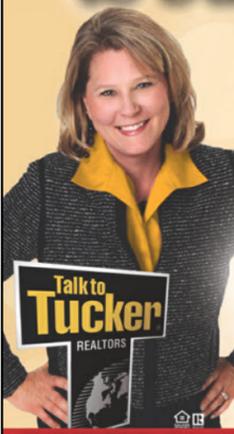
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Photo provided

Hamilton Heights' Jared Holder points to his new school record time in the 100 freestyle. Holder swam the event in 48.90 seconds and finished the regular season undefeated.

Girls state swimming and diving information

Here is general information and some notable statistics about this weekend's IHSAA girls swimming and diving state finals.

TICKETS

General admission tickets are \$8 per session or \$12 for both days and available at the Natatorium ticket office. Preschool children admitted at no charge for unreserved seating.

DOORS OPEN

Doors open to spectators at 4:30 p.m. on Friday and 7:30 a.m. on Saturday.

PARKING

Spectators may park in the Sports Garage located off New York Street just east of the Natatorium. Please note that IUPUI charges a \$6 parking fee to access the garage.

Advancement

The top 16 in each swimming event during Friday's prelims will return for competition on Saturday with the top eight individuals vying for state championship honors. Those finishing nine through 16 on Friday will make up the competitors in the consolation heats.

All diving will take place on Saturday with the top 20 of 32 competitors advancing from the prelims to the semis after five dives each. After three dives each in the semis, the top 16 will advance to the final round for another three dives each.

Defending Girls Team Champion

Carmel is the 31-time defending state champion, the longest active string of state

championships in the country in any sport or gender. Coach Chris Plumb, also the school's boys coach, has guided the Greyhounds to their last 11 girls titles, the most in state history.

Defending Individual State Champions

Three individuals return to defend their titles from a year ago. Yorktown junior Emily Weiss is the top seed in the 100 breaststroke (59.68) and is chasing her third consecutive title in the race and would become the second swimmer in her school's history to be a three-time state champion. She set the state record in last year's event in 59.37. Carmel junior Kelly Pash is the defending champ in the 100 freestyle and is the top seed (49.39) in that event. She was also on two of the Greyhounds' winning relay teams last season.

Teammate Trude Rothrock, a senior, won last year's 100 butterfly and enters the weekend with the second-fastest time (54.01). Rothrock owns six state championship medals, the most of anyone this weekend, having earned five of them as part of Carmel's relay teams the last three seasons. Another individual to watch is Homestead junior Jackie Brenn, who will compete in the diving competition. She won the event as a freshman in 2016 and finished as the runner-up last season.

Seventy-seven schools and 531 student-athletes have qualified for this weekend's event. Sectionals began last week with a 242 schools and 3,389 participants.

NOTABLES

Top Seeds

- 200 Medley Relay:** Hamilton Southeastern 1:43.48.
- 200 Freestyle:** Kelly Pash (11) Carmel 1:47.68.
- 200 Individual Medley:** Trude Rothrock (12) Carmel 2:01.45.
- 50 Freestyle:** Elizabeth Broshears (10) Evansville Memorial 22.89.
- One Meter Diving:** Sara Troyer (12) Northridge 531.10.
- 100 Butterfly:** Elizabeth Broshears (10) Evansville Memorial 53.75.
- 100 Freestyle:** Kelly Pash (11) Carmel 49.39.
- 500 Freestyle:** Samantha Hietpas (11) Fishers 4:54.49.
- 200 Freestyle Relay:** Northridge 1:34.43.
- 100 Backstroke:** Tessa Wrightson (12) Zionsville 54.92.
- 100 Breaststroke:** Emily Weiss (11) Yorktown 59.68.
- 400 Freestyle Relay:** Carmel 3:26.99

Defending State Champions in Field (Individual Events)

- 100 Butterfly:** Trude Rothrock (12) Carmel.
- 100 Freestyle:** Kelly Pash (11) Carmel.
- 100 Breaststroke:** Emily Weiss (11) Yorktown.

Other Former State Champions in Field (Individual Events)

- Diving:** Jackie Brenn (11) Homestead (2016 diving state champion).

State Championships Won by This Year's Participants (Individual and Relay Events)

- 6: Trude Rothrock (12) Carmel.
- 4: Kelly Pash (11) Carmel.
- 3: Grace Pangburn (11) Carmel.
- 2: Emily Weiss (11) Yorktown.
- 1: Jackie Brenn (11) Homestead.
- 1: Grace Estabrook (12) Carmel.
- 1: Rachel Young (11) Carmel.

Last Weekend's Sectional Champions

Avon, Bedford North Lawrence, Blooming-

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Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	39	16	.709	-
Toronto	37	16	.698	1.0
Philadelphia	26	25	.510	11.0
New York	23	32	.418	16.0
Brooklyn	19	37	.339	20.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	31	22	.585	-
Milwaukee	30	23	.566	1.0
Indiana	30	25	.545	2.0
Detroit	27	26	.509	4.0
Chicago	18	35	.340	13.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	31	23	.574	-
Miami	29	26	.527	2.5
Charlotte	23	30	.434	7.5
Orlando	17	36	.321	13.5
Atlanta	17	37	.315	14.0

Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	34	23	.596	-
Oklahoma City	31	24	.564	2.0
Denver	29	25	.537	3.5
Portland	29	25	.537	3.5
Utah	26	28	.481	6.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	41	13	.759	-
L.A. Clippers	27	25	.519	13.0
L.A. Lakers	22	31	.415	18.5
Sacramento	17	36	.321	23.5
Phoenix	18	38	.321	24.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	40	13	.755	-
San Antonio	35	21	.625	6.5
New Orleans	28	25	.528	12.0
Memphis	18	36	.333	22.5
Dallas	17	37	.315	23.5

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ton South, Brownsburg, Carmel, Castle, Chesterton, Crawfordsville, Floyd Central, Franklin Community, Greenfield-Central, Hamilton Southeastern, Homestead, Jay County, Munster, North Central (Indianapolis), Northridge, South Bend St. Joseph, Warsaw Community, Zionsville.

Active Consecutive Sectional Championships (thru last weekend)

- 34: Carmel.
- 19: Chesterton.
- 13: Zionsville.
- 11: North Central (Indianapolis).
- 7: Avon.
- 5: Brownsburg, Castle, Greenfield-Central.
- 4: Munster.
- 3: Bloomington South, Franklin Community.

Sectional Streaks Snapped

South Bend St. Joseph ended Penn's string of 15 consecutive sectional titles at the South Bend Riley Sectional and Bedford

North Lawrence supplanted 11-time winner Jasper during Jasper Sectional competition last Saturday. It was St. Joseph's 12th title overall and first since 2002. The Bedford girls won the crown for just the second time and first since 1979 representing the biggest drought-breaker among this year's sectional champions.

Most Consecutive Sectional Championships (thru last weekend)

34 by Carmel (1984-2018).

Top 10 Most Sectional Championships (thru last weekend)

- 36: Carmel.
- 35: Columbus North.
- 29: Munster.
- 26: Center Grove, Chesterton, Penn.
- 23: Lafayette Jefferson.
- 22: Crawfordsville, Zionsville.
- 20: Anderson, Elkhart Central, Mt. Vernon.

Hamilton County state qualifiers

Swimmers are listed by their seeds and sectional finals times. Divers are listed by their regional scores.

200 medley relay: 1. Hamilton Southeastern 1:43.48, 4. Carmel 1:45.11, 11. Fishers 1:46.51, 18. Westfield 1:48.12, 20. Noblesville 1:48.66.

200 freestyle: 1. Kelly Pash (C) 1:47.68, 3. Ashlyn Underhill (C) 1:49.72, 4. Kendra Bowen (C) 1:50.19, 6. Hannah Pratt (F) 1:50.96, 18. Abigail Jahns (F) 1:53.58, 20. Kayleigh Witt (HSE) 1:54.03, 27. Morgan Booth (F) 1:55.53.

200 individual medley: 1. Trude Rothrock (C) 2:01.45, 3. Katie Dougherty (C) 2:03.52, 9. Abby Harter (HSE) 2:05.07, 11. Erin Verbrugge (W) 2:05.96, 12. Rachel Young (C) 2:06.04, 13. Hannah Pugh (HSE) 2:06.38, 18. Corinne Yorkman (F) 2:07.35, 20. Olivia Harter (HSE) 2:07.58.

50 freestyle: 4. Emily Barnes (HSE) 23.62, 5. Grace Pangburn (C) 23.62, 6. Alyssa Conley (C) 23.66, 13. Amilia Nusbaum (F) 23.84, 15. Colleen Duffy (C) 23.86.

One-meter diving: 5. Halli Siwik (HSE) 445.40, 9. Morgan Casey (F) 414.20, 13. Sarah Ballard (HSE) 406.85, 14. Grace Mossing (F) 397.55, 16. Alaina Heyde (C) 393.10.

100 butterfly: 2. Trude Rothrock (C) 54.01, 3. Meredith Berglund (C) 55.26, 13. Avery Williams (C) 56.38, 14. Hannah Pugh (HSE) 56.39, 16. Caitlin Marshall (N) 56.61, 17.

Nicole Rueff (F) 57.09, 20. Kara Robeson (F) 57.09.

100 freestyle: 1. Kelly Pash (C) 49.39, 5. Ashlyn Underhill (C) 51.01, 7. Rachel Young (C) 51.25, 11. Hannah Pratt (F) 51.72, 12. Amilia Nusbaum (F) 51.79, 15. Molly Pedersen (HSE) 51.94.

500 freestyle: 1. Samantha Hietpas (F) 4:54.49, 5. Kendra Bowen (C) 4:57.13, 6. Katie Dougherty (C) 4:57.44, 8. Abigail Jahns (F) 4:59.14, 11. Hannah White (C) 5:01.85, 14. Morgan Booth (F) 5:03.57, 17. Caitlin Marshall (N) 5:08.40.

200 freestyle relay: 4. Carmel 1:36.04, 5. Hamilton Southeastern 1:36.16, 19. Westfield 1:39.54.

100 backstroke: 3. Abby Harter (HSE) 55.28, 6. Erin Verbrugge (W) 55.90, 7. Colleen Duffy (C) 56.21, 8. Molly Pedersen (HSE) 56.28, 9. Taylor Conley (C) 56.40, 13. Olivia Harter (HSE) 57.16, 16. Sarah Myung (C) 57.27, 21. Rachel Sanquetti (Hamilton Heights) 57.97, 23. Corinne Yorkman (F) 58.19.

100 breaststroke: 6. Grace Estabrook (C) 1:04.04, 7. Sammy Huff (N) 1:04.15, 9. Miya Wai (F) 1:04.79, 19. Alyssa Conley (C) 1:05.46, 22. Sarah Jarding (C) 1:05.77, 25. Victoria Vicory (HSE) 1:06.12.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel 3:26.99, 4. Fishers 3:28.35, 5. Hamilton Southeastern 3:28.49, 12. Noblesville 3:34.35, 18. Westfield 3:35.60.

TOP 10 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RECORD STREAKS ACROSS THE NATION

- Longest streaks of consecutive state championships, all sports, all states
 - 31: Carmel, Ind., girls swimming, 1986-2017.*
 - 30: Bolles, Jacksonville, Fla. boys swimming, 1988-2017.*
 - 29: Punahou, Honolulu, Hawaii, boys swimming, 1958-86.
 - 29: Mt. Anthony Union, Bennington, VT, wrestling, 1989-2017.*
 - 29: St. Xavier, Louisville, Ky., boys swimming, 1989-2017.*
 - 27: Bolles, Jacksonville, Fla. girls swimming, 1991-2017.*
 - 27: Hopi, Keams Canyon, Az., boys cross country, 1990-2016.
 - 27: Pickford, Mich., boys track and field, 1952-78.
 - 26: Mt. St. Charles Academy, Woonsocket, R.I., boys hockey, 1978-2003.
 - 25: Paulsboro, NJ, wrestling, 1983-2007.
- *Active streak.
(Source: National Federation of State High School Associations)

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